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OUTLINES.

The War Department has issued an order that ten additional regiments of infantry volunteers be organized for service in the Philippines; no special effort will be made to secure recruits in the Southern States.

Atlanta Daily cables that he will reach New York September 29th. A ten thousand dollar fire at Red Springs, N.C., destroyed the town.

Correspondents of London papers believe that Dreyfus will be found guilty. Mr. Dreyfus, president of the Anti Semite League in Paris is still holding out.

A negro who attempted to assault a widow lady near Brantley, Ala., was lynched by a mob. Another alleged forger in the Dreyfus case is released.

Two prominent white farmers near Bainbridge, Ga., were lynched by a mob; one was clubbed to death and the other is not likely to recover.

A severe storm prevailed tonight in Norfolk, Va. Gen. Dreyfus testified before the Dreyfus court martial yesterday.

Producers of the yarn mills combination have made offers for nearly all the great cotton mills in Mill River, N.Y.

New York markets: Money on call steady at 2 1/2 per cent, last loan was at 3 per cent; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 3/16; flour was steady and finally active; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red, 78c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 yellow, 54c; spot steady, No. 2 white, 55c; rosin firm; spirits turpentine firm at 52 1/2 3/4c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 17.
Temperatures: S. A. M., 73 degrees; P. M., 67 degrees; maximum, 81 degrees; minimum, 67 degrees; mean, 74 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .10; rainfall for the month up to date, 3.90 inches.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at S. A. M., 2.5 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.
Light to moderate showers occurred during the 24 hours ended at 8 A. M. yesterday in all parts of the Augusta and Charleston districts. Slightly lower temperatures generally prevailed.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—For North Carolina—Generally fair Friday and Saturday, except rain on the coast Sunday, with northerly gale.

Port Almanac—August 18.

Ship Name 5.33 A. M.
S. S. 6.45 P. M.
S. S. 13 H. 22 M.
S. S. 4.57 A. M.
S. S. 8.27 A. M.

Chattanooga is to have a \$500,000 automobile manufacturing plant, the first in the South. That ought to pay.

The mineral products of this country last year amounted in value to \$100,000,000, an increase of 10 percent over the previous year.

A new ice trust has been organized up North to freeze the old ice trust out. This may be a nice thing for the ice consumers while it lasts.

And Chicago too is confronted by a racket. There is a servant girl strike and housekeepers are on the tugged edge. What's a fellow going to do when he has to take a snapshot breakfast?

A Northern exchange says there need be no wonder expressed because Reed and Croker came from Europe on one vessel. Of course not. Neither of them could have come on two vessels.

The pastor who married Mr. Belmont and Mrs. Sloan is said to have hastened his death by worrying over it, but they are not doing any worrying over him, and neither thinks of wearing mourning.

On due consideration it is not surprising that W. W. Astor should have become a British subject. Haven't noted Americans been for several years toadying to England and bragging about the kinship?

Rev. W. M. Leese, of Auburn, Ind., who in his time has married 1,500 couples, besides others which he didn't count, proposes to hold a matrimonial matinee shortly to contemplate the mixtures he has made.

Police raids upon opium joints in New York and other of our large cities show that the opium smoking habit has made fearful progress in this country and is about as bad as it is in some of the countries of the old world.

The indications are for a racket between the Bulls and the Boers, who have their dander up and are putting on their war-paint. If it comes they say they'll knock the bottom out of John Bull's gold mine and give Johannesburg the jim-jams.

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WHOLE NO. 9,985

LOCAL DOTS.

—Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M., will hold an emergent communication to night for work in the F. C. degree.

—Spirits turpentine was held higher in price on the local market yesterday, at 49 cents for regulars and 48 1/2 cents for irregulars. There were no sales.

—John Albritton, colored, was tried in the police court yesterday for disorderly conduct in wrestling on one of the sidewalks of Fourth street. He was let off with the costs.

—The river steamer *Driver* arrived yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, several hours late, on account of heavy freight. She will clear on the return trip to Fayetteville to-day at noon.

—Assistant Chief of the Fire Department W. P. Monroe will leave Monday for Syracuse, N. Y., to attend the National Conference of the Fire Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs, which will convene in that city next week.

—Justice Fowler yesterday fined Hiram Moore for improper conduct, on one of the street cars. He is Moseley, colored, was sent to jail in default of the payment of costs in a case against her for engaging in an affray.

—There will be a dance at Hanover Seaside club house to night, and the house committee is making ample arrangements for the thorough success of the event. If the weather is favorable there certainly will be a large attendance.

—Sheriff MacRae yesterday received a postal from Sheriff George B. McLeod, of Lumberton, saying that he would be here Saturday for the young man Robertson, who was arrested Wednesday, charged with the larceny of a watch.

—Justice W. McD. Evans, yesterday tried Caroline Moseley, colored, for a murderous assault with an axe upon Emma Moseley, an aunt of the offender. She was committed in default of \$50 justified bond for her appearance at the Criminal Court.

—Ida Sanders, the colored woman who assaulted and so severely gashed her sister with a glass dish in an affray Wednesday afternoon, was sent to jail by Justice McGowan in default of \$50 bond for her appearance at the November term of the Criminal Court.

—Our efficient superintendent of health, Dr. W. D. McMillan, was unwell yesterday. He indulged in a sail on his handsome yacht at Wrightsville Wednesday afternoon and the wind and rain of a "West India hurricane," were too much for his constitution.

—A committee consisting of Messrs. H. E. Bonitz and Jas. H. Taylor, Jr., appointed by Jefferson Lodge No. 61, K. of P., have drafted suitable resolutions in respect to the memory of their deceased brother, Francis R. Hawes, who died in Omaha, Neb., last week.

—The schooners *Wm. Linthicum*, Capt. Brannock, and the *Warren B. Potter*, Capt. Slocum, both of which have frequently visited this port, sailed Sunday from Georgetown, S. C., with cargoes of lumber for Baltimore and Boston, respectively. It is feared that they were fared roughly in the hurricane, which they probably encountered when a short way out.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Wanted—Book-keeper.
Masonic—Meeting Will. Lodge.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
Wanted—Bids for building a hospital.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Save your dimes.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Zach. T. Pearson, of Bennettsville, S. C., was here yesterday.

—Messrs. Theo. McKeithan and Chas. Hewett, of Southport, were here yesterday.

—Miss Reina Alderman has returned from a very pleasant visit to relatives at Harrell's Store.

—Herbert McClammy, Esq., returned yesterday from Raleigh, where he has been several days on business.

—Mrs. T. C. Diggs and child, who have been visiting Mrs. P. Heinsberger, Jr., will return to Richmond Saturday.

—Mr. Ben. Marsh, a resident of this city prior to the civil war, but for many years a prominent citizen of Salisbury, N. C., is here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. M. C. Gill.

—Miss Minnie Pearce, of Southport, is spending some time in the city quite pleasantly, the guest of Mrs. E. V. Richards, on Ninth street, between Cook and Orange.

—Mr. H. J. Herriek, Superintendent of the Richmond office of the Bradstreet Commercial Agency, is in the city. Mr. Herriek is a North Carolina ex-editor, and the STAR people were glad to have him as a visitor last evening.

Benefit Paid.
Mr. M. L. McGwin, treasurer Tar Heel Conclave No. 375, Independent Order of Heptasophs, received a check for \$3,000 in payment of benefit on the life of Mr. W. B. Scattergood, a member of that conclave, who died in Atlanta on June 29th. This order is very prompt in paying its benefits.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency has excellent facilities for selling farms and timbered lands. It advertises all property and makes only a nominal charge unless a sale is made. For terms etc., address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

A SPLENDID SUCCESS

Splendid Yesterday by the Moore's Creek Battle Ground Monumental Association.

THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION.

Big Excursion From Wilmington—5,000 People On Battle Ground—Stirring Music—Beautiful Ceremonies—General Good Time.

The officers and members of the Moore's Creek Battle Ground Association, the various committees and ladies and gentlemen other than members, who in any way participated in the program, abundantly merit the highest and most sincere congratulations upon the splendid success which attended the celebration yesterday of the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, so gallantly fought by American patriots under the leadership of Col. Lillington, then of Wilmington, and Col. Caswell, against the British and Tories, commanded by General Donald McDonald, on February 27th, 1776.

It is estimated that 5,000 people assembled on this famous battle ground to share the pleasures of the celebration and pay reverent homage to the memory of those fearless patriots who rallied to the colonial standard, boldly and with signal success baffling a deep laid plot on the part of the British to cripple and crush the American Revolution by uniting the Tories and erstwhile Scotch Highlanders with Lord Cornwallis' army and thereby capture and hold in check the South until the colonies in the North were conquered.

Every one expected a big success to be scored by the celebration, and the STAR is glad to report that the expectations of the most sanguine were more than realized in the rendition of the program, features of which were an annual meeting of Moore's Creek Monumental Association, stirring music by the Second Regiment Band, of Wilmington, the address by R. G. Grady, Esq., of Burgaw, monument decorating and flag raising by a bevy of young ladies representing the thirteen original States, a sumptuous picnic dinner and barbecue, followed by quite an enjoyable dance which continued until a late hour last night.

The Wilmington Excursion.

A train of seven coaches, bearing probably 500 people, left the Front street A. C. L. depot for the Battle Ground a few minutes past 9 o'clock yesterday morning, arriving at Currie, the nearest station, about 10 o'clock. Through the thoughtfulness of the reception committee numerous conveyances were in waiting to convey the excursionists to the battle ground, scarcely three-quarters of a mile away. In this connection the STAR representative tenders thanks to Dr. Geo. F. Lucas, who kindly put his excellent carriage at his disposal for driving to and from the battle ground.

It was an imposing scene at the battle ground, the vast crowd of people moving hither and thither, hundreds of them grouped about the historic granite monument and the prettily designed and substantially constructed new pavilion, both of which occupy commanding positions.

Business Meeting of Association.

It was 10:30 o'clock when the business meeting of the Moore's Creek Association was called to order by President James F. Moore, Capt. R. P. Paddison, the regular secretary serving in his official capacity.

Announcement was made by Capt. Paddison and President Moore that an appropriation of \$100 for 1898, \$100 for 1899 and an annual appropriation of \$50 thereafter has been made by the State to the Association.

Dr. G. F. Lucas, Dr. E. Porter and Bruce Williams, Esq., were appointed by the President a committee to receive certain relics which were brought to the battle ground for presentation to the Association, it being the purpose of the Association to ultimately have a museum on the grounds.

President Moore announced that the Association had accumulated a debt of \$280 and requested all members to some time during the day pay to Secretary Paddison their \$10 assessments and receive certificates of indebtedness for the same, the purpose of the Association being to treat the matter as a loan and refund it just as soon as the affairs of the corporation will admit of it.

On motion of Dr. E. Porter, seconded by Dr. G. F. Lucas, letters from the Governors of the thirteen original States, acknowledging the receipt of invitations to attend and regretting the impossibility of their being present, were ordered spread upon the minutes.

President Moore announced that a large number of people wanted to make small donations to the Association, and a motion by Dr. Porter, that the president and secretary be authorized to receive the contributions, was adopted.

The Association adjourned to meet at Burgaw on Monday, August 28th.

A Beautiful Ceremony.

Immediately after the adjournment of the business meeting, the Second Regiment Band, of Wilmington, struck up the stirring strains of "The Captain March," in time to which thirteen of Pender county's fairest and most graceful young ladies came upon the pavilion, executing a beautiful drill and subsequently singing with excellent effect the patriotic air, "America." Preceding the national air a fervent prayer was offered by the chaplain, Rev. Colin Shaw.

They were all attired alike in white organdie costumes of exquisite pattern with marseilles trimming and sashes of red, white and blue. They wore

oxford caps, around the front of each of which, in gold lettering, was the name of the State represented by the young lady by whom it was worn. They also carried a prettily wrought garland of evergreens and the two in front, Miss Annetta Paddison representing Virginia, and Miss Hyacinthe Peterson representing New Hampshire, carried between them an evergreen hoop. Both the wreath and the hoop were subsequently used by the young ladies in decorating the monument.

The beautiful ceremonies so well rendered by the bevy of young ladies representing the thirteen original States were arranged under the direction of Mrs. E. A. Hawes and the following were the young ladies and the States they represent:

Virginia, Miss Annetta Paddison; South Carolina, Miss Mattie Simpson; North Carolina, Miss Mary Lucas; Georgia, Miss Berta Simpson; Maryland, Miss Maggie Hawes; Delaware, Miss Eula Bordeaux; New Jersey, Miss Sena Herring; New York, Miss Mary Lucas; Connecticut, Miss Mary Styrone; Pennsylvania, Miss Lina Moore; Rhode Island, Miss Irene Simpson; New Hampshire, Miss Hyacinthe Peterson; Massachusetts, Miss Mattie Hawes.

Address of R. G. Grady, Esq.

President J. F. Moore of the Monumental Association introduced the orator of the day, incidentally extending a welcome to the people. He announced that Hon. C. B. Aycock, of Goldsboro, had been invited to deliver the address but had been obliged to decline and thereafter introduced R. G. Grady, Esq., whom he stated had only known for a few hours before that he was to perform this task.

Mr. Grady was cordially greeted and treated his vast audience to quite an appropriate address, in which he fluently reviewed the struggles of the people in many ages of the world for the establishment and maintenance of liberty, and then presented in vivid detail the most notable incidents of the Moore's Creek Bridge battle, as well as the incidents leading up to this famous "clash of arms," concluding with a beautiful tribute to the movement looking to the erection of monuments to the heroic dead.

The STAR regrets that demand for space will not admit of the publication of the speech in full.

Monument Decorated.

Following the address there was an appropriate selection by the band, followed by the rendering of "The Old North State," in which the whole audience participated, being led by the bevy of young ladies representing the thirteen original States. The song concluded, the band rendered a march, and the ladies went through another difficult and very pretty drill, after which the ladies marched from the pavilion to the monument, about one hundred feet away, where they twined green wreaths, securing them to the top of the shaft by means of the evergreen hoop, used to such good advantage in the previous drill. An evergreen bearing the name "Grady," was also placed on the monument and the remains of the dead hero lie buried.

The scene presented in decorating the monument was especially attractive, the beauty and appropriate costume of the thirteen young ladies combining with the ceremonies and drills rendered in completing a beautiful picture, snap spots of which were eagerly sought and obtained by professional and amateur photographers.

Unfurling the Flag.

Several feet to the north of the monument was a flag pole more than one hundred feet high and the young ladies passed to this after encircling the monument several times in graceful drill in time to band music. Here, with the assistance of several gentlemen they raised a large national flag, the while singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

The flag raising concluded the exercises of the day and feeding of the multitude was the next thing in order. This the good people of Pender did most sumptuously and "to the queen's taste." A table several hundred feet long was improvised and upon this a competent committee on dinner spread. There was everything good to eat including barbecue.

The following was the committee on dinner: Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Woodcock, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Herring, Mr. and Mrs. Sessoms, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hollinsworth, Dr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sidbury, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Poy, Dr. and Mrs. E. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ab. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Colvin, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hawes, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bullard, Mr. and Mrs. T. Herring, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. McMoore, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Paddison, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. V. Rollers, Mr. and Mrs. Wash. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woodcock.

Music and Dancing.

After dinner there was music and dancing all the afternoon. The Wilmington excursionists left at 6:10 o'clock, but the merry-making continued until far into the night.

This report would be incomplete without the names of the marshals and collectors of the day, enclosing the money for the day, and the reception on duty during the day. They are:

Committee of Reception—E. A. Hawes, Dr. G. F. Lucas, R. G. Grady, Dr. E. Porter, J. T. Poy.

Committee of Arrangements—E. A. Hawes (chairman), W. F. Bell, W. J. Hollingsworth, J. B. Hayes, Ed. Hollingsworth, J. J. Lucas, J. A. Black, R. P. Paddison, D. J. Corbett, Allen Keith, Dan Corbett.

AUDIT AND FINANCE.

City Board Met Yesterday Afternoon and Transacted Routine Business—Compensation for Tax Lister.

The meeting of the City Board of Audit and Finance, deferred from Tuesday, was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, members present being Mr. H. C. McQueen (chairman), Mr. W. A. Risch, Mr. C. W. Yates and Capt. John Cowan (clerk).

The matter of awarding the contract to Mr. Thad F. Tyler by the Board of Aldermen for the erection of five pest houses at a cost of \$948 was deferred until a subsequent meeting.

The board, however, concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen in awarding the contract for repairs to the city prison to Mr. G. M. Summrell at a cost of \$857. Work on the repairs has already been begun, and very satisfactory progress is being made.

The compensation of the city tax lister was fixed at \$425, provided that the tax book is turned over to the city in its completed form by September 1st and is accepted by the board as satisfactory.

The clerk submitted a report of an examination of the books of the city treasurer and tax collector for July, showing cash on hand July 1st \$23,819.82, and receipts for the months amounting to \$9,789.39, making a total of \$33,609.21. The disbursements for the corresponding period amounted to \$9,975.72, leaving a balance to August account of \$23,633.49.

Bills were audited and approved as follows: Current expenses, \$1,578.84; collection of city attorney for back tax collection, \$251.64. Total, \$1,830.48.

The board adjourned subject to call of the chairman.

FIRE YESTERDAY MORNING.

Three Story Dwelling On Second Street With Contents Damaged About \$1,000. Insurance Covers Losses.

Fire was discovered at 9:20 o'clock yesterday morning in the attic of the three-story frame dwelling, No. 114 South Second street, owned by Mr. J. H. Strauss and occupied by Mrs. E. B. Wiggins.

An alarm was sent in to the department from box 43, at corner Front and Orange streets, and though the firemen responded promptly, on account of the brisk northwest winds, the flames were not subdued until about \$500 or \$1,000 damage was sustained by the owners of building and contents.

The fire is thought to have originated from matches, ignited probably by rats.

The furniture is owned by Mrs. Wiggins and the damage is placed at \$400 in the records of the fire department. Mrs. Wiggins carried insurance with Messrs. J. H. Boatwright & Son to the amount of \$1,200.

The damage to the building is estimated at \$250, which is also covered by insurance with Messrs. Boatwright & Son in a policy of \$1,000.

Several of the boarders also suffered slight losses in damage to wearing apparel, etc., by water.

Chief Charles Schinbren desires to express thanks to Mr. B. B. Mason for a number of very fine cigars presented to the firemen.

JUVENILE BASE BALL.

The Game Yesterday Between "Spring Chickens" and O. U. D.'s.

The baseball teams of two juvenile field athletic associations styling themselves the "Spring Chickens" and the "O. U. D.'s," tried conclusions on the O. A. N. diamond yesterday afternoon. The "Chickens" were victorious in score of 4 to 0.

The personnel of the teams was as follows:

O. U. D.'s	Wessell, A. Reilly, C. Orell, N. Crow, B. Craft, LeGrand, Meiers, Rosenmann, Frank, L. Umpire—Reilly and H. Lietgen.
Spring Chickens	Mascots of the teams were Masters Phil Taylor and Dave Struthers. Exceptionally fine playing was done by Taylor, LeGrand and Crow for the "Chickens" and by Orell, N. and Grant for the O. U. D.'s.

FOR THE STANDARD BALE.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, May 5, 1899.—The Galveston Maritime Association held a meeting yesterday and adopted the following:

WHEREAS, The cotton ginners convention which closed its annual meeting at Galveston May 3, 1899, adopted a resolution that all cotton ginners in the State of Texas be requested to remodel their boxes in which the square bale of cotton is originally formed to a standard size of 24 inches wide by 54 inches long; and considering that the trade generally will be greatly benefited by having bales of uniform size and increased density, therefore be resolved,

Resolved, by the Galveston Maritime Association, composed of the various ship agents at Galveston, that all cotton ginners be requested to remodel their boxes to be made on and after August 1st, 1899, shall be based upon said standard bale, compressed to a minimum weight of twenty-five (25) pounds to the cubic foot, and that 10 cents per hundred pounds extra freight will be charged on all bales of greater dimensions or less density.

NEW CROP COTTON.

First Bale Sold in the State Received in Wilmington Yesterday.

The first bale of new crop cotton received yesterday over the W. C. & A. Railroad, and is consigned to Mr. E. Lilly, by The Hardison Company, of Moore, N. C. The bale weighs 520 pounds, and was originally sold on August 14th, as told in the STAR's telegraphic dispatches, at six and one-half cents.

Mr. Lilly has thus far made no disposition of the cotton.

WILL INVESTIGATE HERE.

Penitentiary Investigating Committee Here Monday—Summons Issued for Castle Haynes Officials.

The committee appointed by the last General Assembly to investigate the management of the State prison, will hold an adjourned meeting in the County court room in this city next Monday, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of taking the testimony of several of the officials of the State farm at Castle Haynes and of the rice farm across the river.

Sheriff MacRae yesterday received from State Senator Brown, of Columbus county, who is chairman of the committee, summons for W. H. Sharin, who is connected with the Castle Haynes farm; J. T. Rasbury, steward at the farm, and a third one for Geo. H. Cannon, superintendent of the Castle Haynes and rice farms.

The first named summons was executed yesterday and the others will receive attention to-day.

The summons for Rasbury enjoins him to bring for the examination of the court "all books and papers showing receipts or expenditures of his department of said institution for the past four years." The summons for Cannon also requires him to furnish for inspection his books showing receipts and disbursements for the same period.

The committee is conducting this investigation into the working of the State penitentiary by authority of Chapter 5, of the Public Laws of North Carolina, which is entitled "An act to appoint a committee to investigate the management of the State penitentiary." Several sessions have already been held in Raleigh, disclosing in many instances evidences of gross mismanagement on the part of officials, and the investigation here is to throw additional light on the matter and to assist the committee in making a complete summary of the situation for presentation to the next General Assembly.

Section eight of the act makes it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100, nor more than \$1,000, and imprisonment in the discretion of the Superior Court, for any witness after being duly summoned to fail to attend an examination similar to the one to be held here Monday.

MARRIED AT SOUTHPORT.

Miss Mattie Wescott to Mr. Pierre Harris Wednesday Afternoon—A Reception.

The Southport Standard of yesterday has the following announcement of the marriage of Mr. Pierre Harris, of Wilmington to Miss Mattie Wescott, of Southport. The event was quite a surprise to the young bride's many friends in Southport, a few only of which were being duly summoned to attend the wedding.

The happy couple left at 2:30 P. M. for Wilmington where they make their future home, followed by the best wishes of their many friends.

Wednesday night at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Sallie Skipper, on Fifth street near Hanover, an enjoyable reception was tendered the happy young couple, to which a number of friends were invited.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Amanda Wescott, of Southport, and a sister of Mr. J. A. Wescott, junior member of the firm of T. J. Wescott & Co.

FIVE HUNDRED EXCURSIONISTS.

More Than That Number Arrived Yesterday From Concord and Greensboro.

Over 500 excursionists arrived in the city yesterday over the Atlantic Coast Line from Concord, Greensboro and intermediate points. The train, which was made up of ten coaches and baggage car, arrived at the Front street station at 6:10 o'clock P. M., and as the rain was falling in torrents and the wind blowing almost with hurricane velocity, very few of them went through to the beaches, but remained over night in the city. Many of them will visit the seaside to-day, however, as the train will not leave on the return trip until 11 o'clock to-night.

The excursion is managed by Mr. J. T. Leonard, of Concord, and is one of the largest that has visited Wilmington this season.

ONEIDA ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Had to Put to Sea to Escape Hurricane. Passed a Derelict.

The Clyde steamship *Oneida*, Capt. Staples, arrived in port yesterday about 1 o'clock, having passed up from Southport at 9:30 o'clock. The steamer encountered the hurricane three miles beyond Frying Pan lightship and was compelled to put to sea to escape the fury of the storm. Capt. Staples says he had a rather rough experience, but says his vessel has proven itself to be admirably fitted for rough seas, and he steamed her into port yesterday without the slightest evidences of injury.

About sixty-five miles south by southeast of Frying Pan shoals Capt. Staples reports having passed a derelict schooner with three masts, all her sails having been torn into shreds and the vessel apparently deserted. The wrecked vessel, he says, was painted black, and could not, therefore, be the schooner *C. C. Lester*, which is several days overdue.

Leaves for Norfolk.

Mr. J. F. Newsom, who for a number of years has been connected with the Wilmington branch of the U. S. Weather Bureau service as assistant observer, will leave this morning for Norfolk, Va., where he has been assigned to a similar position in the office in that city. Mrs. Newsom will accompany him to Princeton, N. C., where she will spend some time with her parents, afterwards joining her husband in their new home at Norfolk.

Mr. Newsom carries with him to his new post of duty the sincere wishes of a host of Wilmington friends for his success in the field to which he has been assigned.

Mr. Calvin A. Miller, of Chattanooga, Tenn., who has recently been appointed to a position in the Weather Bureau service, succeeds Mr. Newsom in the office here.

If you wish to sell a farm or city property place it in the hands of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency. R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

THE WINDS HIGH.

AGAIN LAST NIGHT. Blew a Gale On the Beaches and Made Thirty-five Miles in the City. No Uneasiness.

Wilmington's touch of the West Indian hurricane did not subside so early as was expected yesterday, and while there was not so much anxiety felt in the city over the general storm conditions the wind maintained a sufficient velocity to suggest to one that after all people may have anticipated the hurricane too early, and there were yet to come winds and high seas that have been raging in the minds of the more imaginative since the Weather Bureau began to send its first bulletins of the approaching storm.

During the entire day yesterday a blustering wind from the northwest, sometimes accompanied by rain, served to make the life of pedestrians miserable, and just at nightfall the rain commenced pouring in torrents and the streets were almost deserted. About 10 o'clock last night the wind attained its maximum velocity of thirty-six miles per hour.