#### WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., August 28. Temperatures: 8 A. M., 72 degrees P. M. 73 degrees; maximum, 77 derees, minimum, 70 degrees; mean, 74

Bainfall for the day, T; rainfall sice ist of the month up to date, 5.15

Stage of water in the river at Favsteville at S A. M., 1.6 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN. Rain has been general throughout the cotton belt, the falls being particularly heavy over western North Carolina, South Carolina and thence westward to Arkansas and Texas. It is much cooler in the eastern districts.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 .- For North Carolina Showers Tuesday and probably Wednesday; moderate temperatire: base northeasterly winds.

#### Port Almanac .-- August 29.

San Rises			
Sun Sets			
Day's Langth			
High Water at Southport			
High Water, Wilmington	6.17	Ρ.	M

Dewey had a nice time in Nice, but . . . . . have a nicer time when he gets nome.

That \$20,000,000 corset trust expects to by some tight squeezing when it gets in shape.

One of the citizens of Chicago is laughing himself to death, if he isn't already dead. Chicago is a funny

If Esterhazy and Du Paty de Ciam came over here they might make a paring run in some dime museum. Such freaks would draw.

There are cotton mills in nearly one-half the counties in North Carlina, one or several in forty-three out of the ninety-seven counties.

There are in Hartford county, Maryland, more than a hundred canning establishments, which is more than there are in all the States South of the Potomac.

Some of the citizens of Nashville are dissatisfied because some of the burgers are holding two offices and more if they are dissatisfied because they are not holding one office.

Napoleon Andrew Jackson Overall, of New Albany, Ind., 82 years old, is a veteran marryist. He recently married his seventh wife to help him look after the twenty-four orphans he had accumulated in his previous six marital enterprises.

The King of Greece prides himtelf on his ability to plough, harvest, milk cows, etc., but he doesn't do much of it. But he ought to be fit for something, and as he seems to have a talent for farm work he ought to devote himself to that and quit playing the role of king, in which he is a failure.

A Goebel paper in Kentucky has accumulated a \$25,000 libel suit by a savage attack on a minister, and Mr. Goebel has accumulated a lot of bother, because the denomination to which the minister belongs, "aich is a numerous one in Kentucky, are indignant at the attack, and declare that they will vote against Goebel to resent it. The fussy editor is sometimes capable of making much trouble.

## ingenious Swindler.

Evidences of the visit of a slick swindler were left at Mr. George O. Gaylord's racket store some time during Friday. Some one of the clerks in the store received during the volume of a day's business two raised bank notes of the \$10 denomination. A one dollar bill and a ten dollar, note were each cut in two pieces and pasted vice versa from the way they were cut, giving each the appearance of a ten dollar bill. They were discovered in counting up the cash Saturday night. some very valuable farms.

# THE MORNING STAR.

WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1899.

#### LOCAL DOTS.

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- Four cases were tried by Justice Fowler yesterday—all for trivial offences.

- One hundred and thirty-seven was the number of bales of new crop cotton on the market yesterday.

- The steamer New York arrived Sunday night from Georgetown and will clear early this morning for New

- Mr. Wm. Struthers yesterday entered upon his duties as Second Deputy at the Custom House; vice Mr. F. B. Rice, resigned.

- Mr. R. H. Grant, the Front street plumber, yesterday began the work of excavation for the sewerage connections for the new city prison

- Dr. C. S. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, announced Sunday that a series of revival services would be commenced in that church on the second Sunday in October.

- Mr. George W. Millis, who has been acting jailor since the death of his father, will be appointed a Deputy Sheriff September 1st, in place of Mr. W. W. King, who will at that time become jailor.

- One of the large bay horses at Engine Company No. 1, by an accident Saturday, received a severe gash in the right side, which will incapacitate him for several days. Dr. Carroll is attending him.

- Dr. C. T. Harper has received from the Commissioner of Pensions a notice of his appointment as examining surgeon for the district of Wilmington. He has entered upon the discharge of his duties.

- Rev. J. D. Bowen, of Burgaw, who came down with Rev. F. H. Farrington Sunday morning, conducted the service at Southside Baptist Church Sunday night. Mr. Bowen is on his way to Wake Forest College.

- Justice Harriss Northrop, Jr., will this morning at 8.30 o'clock in ustice McGowan's court room, in vestigate charges against a number of white men for creating a disturbance on the Seacoast train Sunday night.

- In the police court vesterday morning E. A. Orrell was fined \$5 for being drunk and disorderly. Spencer Stanford, colored, a frequent visitor at police headquarters, was fined a similar amount for being drunk and down.

- Spirits turpentine was quiet yesterday on the local market at 43+@ 44 cents. There were no other changes in naval stores quotations, though there were sales of crude at \$2.60, a decline of ten cents per barrel over previous quotations.

- The schooner C. C. Lister, Capt. Robinson, which was reported over due during the recent hurricane, has arrived in port with a cargo of coal for J. A. Springer & Co. Capt. Robinson says he rode the hurricane

out in Hampton roads. - A new Second Advent Church was formed Sunday afternoon at the old W. N. & N. tool house, corner of Front and Marsteller streets. The church was organized by Elder Walter Streater and several candidates were

baptized in Greenfield mill pond. - State Secretary A. G. Knebel of Charleston, was the special speaker at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon service. He gave the large crowd present an interesting talk, his theme peing Kadesh-Barnea. Mr. A. P. Holden sang a solo "One Day Nearer

- The pulpit committee of Southside Baptist Church met last night with the members of the congregation in annual conference, but nothing for publication with reference to the calling of a pastor was given out. The committee has several names under

- The people of Wilmington are expecting great things from the Al. G. Field Greater Minstrels, and there is every assurance that their expectations will be more than realized. Friday night of this week is the date for the performance and seats can be reserved at Gerken's.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Notice-To the public. Notice-Sale of railway stock. J. W. Harper-Family excursion. F. H. Krahnke-Fancy suitings. Vollers & Hashagen-Provisions. Opera House-Al.G. Field's Minstrels

M. E. VanLaer-Administra's notice. BUSINESS LOCALS.

W. M. Comming-Real estate safest.

Y. M. C. A. Membershiy Meeting

There was a large gathering present at the active membership meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last night in the par lors of the building on Front street. The reports of all the standing comnittees were heard, and also the Special Committee on Membership. Sixty-three new members were added by reason of special efforts put forth in this direction during the month of August. Secretary Knebel made an interesting talk on Y. M. C. A. work in general, and Y. M. C. A. management in particular. His remarks along the latter lines led to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the management of other like organizations in the State and to make recommendations to the next regular meeting of the active members. After the meeting, refreshments

were served in honor of Secretary Knebel's visit. Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR. It offers for sale

# **SHORTAGE IN COTTON**

Crop in the Southern States Has Suffered Much On the Average.

DAMAGE ABOUT 20 PER CENT.

Reports Received From 96 Firms in the Cotton States Show That Damage Varies From 10 to 50 Per Cent. Estimates in Detail.

There appears to be a general inclination with most cotton men, especially in the South, to discountenance the estimate of Neill as to the probable production of cotton for the crop year of 1899-1900. Those who have studied the question, particularly the bulls. and they are largely in the majority, can find no foundation for Neill's figures in the reports from North Carolina and Georgia-or, for that matter in the general report.

The opinion prevails that Neill has allowed personal ends to bias his judgment. He is recognized as one of the foremost bears in the South, and it would be strictly to his personal gain for a very large crop to reach the market and the price to go down in consequence thereof.

Price, McCormick & Co., of New York, have received replies from 96 responsible firms throughout the South, which indicate that the crop production has suffered a reduction of about 20 per cent. Their correspondents estimate the probable reduction at from 10 to 50 per cent.

The States from which replies were received are Alabama, North Carolina, Mississippi, Georgia, Arkansas, Texas, South Carolina and Tennessee. The reports are dated August 22nd to August 25th, and a few of them are given to STAR readers here: NORTH CAROLINA.

WILMINGTON, N. C. - Many accounts our section very discouraging; think will average 20 per cent, under last WILMINGTON, N. C .- Probable yield 25 per cent. less than last year; crop

opening prematurely.

MURCHISON & Co. CONCORD, N. C .- Crops in this secion the sorriest I think I ever saw. CHARLOTTE. N. C .- Reports from orty of our buyers in Georgia and South Carolina indicate crop short last year 25 per cent.; some sections 50 per cent. July crop short fully SANDERS, ORR & Co.

will be less than last year-40 to 50 per cent. for fifty to a hundred miles JNO. W. MILLER & CO. RALEIGH, N. C.-Will have average crop in this section if conditions favor-

CHARLOTTE, N. C .- Condition of

crop could hardly be worse. Crop

able from now on. CHAS. E. JOHNSON & Co. NEWBERN, N. C .- Crop has been cut short fully 30 per cent. since the J. E. LATHAM.

SOUTH CAROLINA. LAURENS, S. C.-Unanimous verdict not over half-crop at best; present drought doing terrible damage.

TODD, SIMPSON & Co. GREENVILLE, S. C .- Conservative

estimate damage, 25 per cent. J. B. Cherry & Co. CHARLESTON, S. C -Excessive hot, dry weather; damage about 10 to 15 per cent. E. H. FROST & Co. n this section since 1881; average

ABBEVILLE, S. C .- Shortest crop vield for whole section 50 per cent. usual crop; drought still prevailing and working serious damage. SMITH & HENRY.

NEWBERRY, S. C.-Crops burning up; not get over 60 per cent. crop. M. L. SPEARMAN & CO. SPARTANBURG, S. C.-Worms made appearance in our county; half crop in A. G. FLOYD.

SPARTANBURG, S. .C.-Cotton crop ut off fully one-half. DUNBAR BROS. ANDERSON, S. C .- Drought continues; can't make over half crop with favorable conditions. The condition of the crop could hardly be worse;

cotton opening rapidly. BROWN, OSBORNE & Co. BENNETTSVILLE, S. C. - Weather J. W. SMITH. TEXAS.

Houston, TEXAS-Drought has damaged crop 15 per cent. in this section and 30 per cent. in Central and North-S. L. GOHLMAN. TEMPLE, TEXAS - Cotton dying:

about one-half crop. J. C. Rilley & Son. TAYLOR, TEXAS-Extremely hot and dry; plant has shed everything except early matured bolls. R. H. TALLEY & Co.

BRYAN, TEXAS-From best information crop cut short at least one half on account of dry weather. SANDERS BROTHERS & Co. PALESTINE, TEXAS-Dry weather in-

juring crop; think it will be at least one-third less than last year. H. C. Swanson. WACO, TEXAS-Crop very short; ruined by drought; no rain since flood.

MARSHALL, TEXAS.-Dotton crops in this section from 35 to 40 per cent L. KAHN. FORT WORTH, TEXAS.-Yield will be reduced 50 per cent.

K. N. VAN ZANDT.

ATHENS, TEXAS.—Cotton damaged by hot winds; one third short. Paris, Texes.—Damage very seri-us. Forwood & O'NEILL. BRENHAM, TEXAS.-Cotton crop has deteriorated fully 25 per cent. last twenty days from drought and hot winds. Giddings & Giddings. BRYAN, TEXAS -Present conditions

very unfavorable; 50 per cent. short-CORSICANA, TEXAS.—Reliable reports show 40 to 50 per cent. damage to crop within radius of fifty FLEMING & TEMPLETON. GAINSVILLE, TEXAS.—Conservative estimates reduced 40 to 50 per cent.

North and Central Texas. LEWIN BROS & Co. PARIS, TEXAS.-Drought has done serious damage; questionable if rains

would be beneficial. McDade, Muller & Ownsby. HOUSTON, TEXAS.—Unquestionably great damage to crop in past two weeks. T. W. House.

SHERMAN, TEXAS,-Conditions seri- DR. HOGE'S LAST SERMON ous; hot winds continue; estimate this

AMERICUS, GA.,-Crop this section of Georgia damaged by rust and dry weather; off from last year 15 to 25 per cent.

L. G. COUNCIL.

MACON, GA., -Off fully 20 per cent. rom last year; very hot and dry F. S. HARDIMAN. & Co. HAWKINSVILLE, -GA., Think our mmediate section will make one-third ess than last year. CONLY, LOVEJOY & Co.

SAVANNAH, GA., -Cotton in Georgia failing seriously in some sections cause, rust; plant dying: loss of fruit BUTLER, STEVENS & Co. ATLANTA. GA., -Reported generally from 15 to 50 per cent. less favorable than same time last year; picking

ively; drought reported everywhere

GEO. S. MAY.

MACON, GA.,-Crop 25 per cent. off from last year; opening prematurely. C. B. Willingham. La Grange,—Ga., This section 20 per cent short of last year; damage not exaggerated. C. W. PRUITT. HAWKINSVILLE, GA., -Can't possibly expect more than crop cotton our sec-tion. McCormick & Joiner.

ALABAMA. HUNTSVILLE, ALA.-Crop this sec ion 25 per cent. off. J. KLAUS & Co. Tuscaloosa, Ala.—Crop 15 per cent. off from last year, with chance

of recuperating.
A. P. LOVEMAN & Co. Union Springs, ALA -- Crop in this section one-third off; hard to overestimate damage; damage very bad. W. E. PIERCE. DEMOPOLIS, ALA.-Cotton crop 20 per cent. short of last year.

J. MARX & Co. LOUISIANA. NEW ORLEANS, LA. - Our private re ports confirm damage to crop. H. ABRAHAM & SON.

MISSISSIPPI. COLUMBIA, MISS.-Middle crop damaged, shedding, think our yield will be 10 to 15 per cent. short of last year's T. G. OWEN & Co. MERIDIAN, MISS.—Cotton crop de-teriorated considerably; yield will be rouch less per acre than last year.

THREEFOOT BROTHERS & Co. JACKSONVILL, MISS.-Crop will be badly damaged without good rains. HAYNE & CO. ABERDEEN MISS -Average estimate crop this section short fully 12 per cent; some claim 25 per cent.

ARE RUBEL & Co. COLUMBUS, MISS-Crop at present off 25 per cent. JOHNSTON, BROS. ARKANSAS.

FORT SMITH, ARK -Crop badly damaged; condition critical.
W. H. McMurray & Co. PINE BLUFF, AAK.-Complaining of damage here in our opinion is exces sive, but rain is needed in some local J. B. SPEERS & CO LITTLE ROCK, ARK.-Uplands will be 50 per cent. short; bottom lands 30 per cent. short. FLETCHER & HOTZE

TENNESSEE. MEMPHIS, TENN.-Think damage Memphis district from rust and shed ding 15 to 25 per cent. ARMISTEAD, CHAPMAN & CO.

NASHVILLE, TENN.-Continued ho weather causing some damage. I. E. GILBERT & Co.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

- Mr. C. H. Haigh, of Cronly was here yesterday. - Mr. J. S. Harget, of Jackson

ville, spent last night in the city. - Dr. Porter, of Rocky Point, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

- Mr. Jno. A. Currie, of Lum ber Bridge, arrived in the city vesterday.

- Mr. J. E. Kelley, A. C. L. agent at Bennettsville, S. C., was here yes-

- Mr. J. T. McEachern is at the Bonitz Hotel, registered from Scotland

- Mr. J. T. McEachern is at the Bonitz Hotel, registered from Scotland county.

- Mr. W. H. Biddle and family are spending a week or ten days on Masonboro Sound.

- Mr. W. M. Meadows, a popular drummer travelling for a well known Richmond shoe house, spent Sunday Forts and at Southport, going six mles and yesterday in the city.

- Miss Mary Bell McKenzie, who has been spending a week in the city, the guest of Mrs. McKoy, No. 219 Red Cross street, has returned to her home

- Mr. J. A. Jackson, son and daughter and Mr. W. P. Breeden, son and daughter, all of Bennettsville, returned home vesterday, having spent several days very pleasantly on the

- Rev. P. C. Morton came in last evening, after several months' absence in Sampson county, where he has been conducting revival services. The meetings, he said, were attended with abundant success.

## AN EMPHATIC DENIAL.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 28th. To The Morning Star, Wilmington: Our attention has been directed to an item in the New York Times with reference to an alleged effort on our part to induce a number of our negro compress employes to return to Wilmington. We have also seen other statements to the same effect, and we desire to state that we were not even aware of the fact that Green was in New York, or anywhere else in the North, and we have not authorized him, nor any one else, to induce any refugees to return to Wilmington. We told Elijah Green some months

ago, in answer to his inquiry, that we might find employment for some of our worthy and competent men if they returned of their own volition, but that we would not send him to them, nor ask them to come to us, and that this applied only to those who had gone away for employment during the summer and not to those who had been forcibly removed. The rest of the stories told by the

so called refugee, are, as is well known here, sheer fabrications. JAMES SPRUNT. President Champion Compress and Warehouse Co.

TO HIS CONGREGATION. Preached to a Large Gathering at First Presbyterian Church Sunday Morn-

ing-He Leaves To-day.

Yesterday morning at the usual hour for service at the First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Dr. Peyton H. Hoge delivered his last sermon to the congregation, whom he has served faithfully as pastor for many years. Dr. Hoge stated at the beginning of his discourse, which was from John 5: 39, that he would not preach what was ordinarily called a farewell sermon, for if his appeals and admonitions had been unheeded for the long years of his pastorate they would still be without avail, even when incorporated into a farewell message. With a brief summary of his work during the years he has served the First Presbyterian Church, he drifted on to his text and engaged the wrapt attention of a large congregation, which had gathered to attend the final service.

Robinson, Jr., H. K. Holden, C. H. Cooper and R. F. Fowler. Miss Anna Sprunt was organist. At the conclusion of the service many of the congregation went to the pulpit stand and bade Dr. Hoge good bye. He stated that it was his intention to visit every family of his con-

A special programme of music was

rendered with much effect by a male

quartette composed of Messrs. C. H.

other church work had prevented it. Sunday night Dr. Hoge preached his last sermon to the congregation of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, whom he has been serving during the past month, and there was another large

gregation before leaving, but a press of

crowd to hear him. He leaves to-day for Richmond, where he will join his family and after spending several days, will go to New York. He will go to Louisville before October 1st., at which time he will enter upon his work as pastor of Warren Memorial Church, of that city.

"THE UNKNOWN FACTORY."

Parchased From Parties in New York by George E. Pope-F. L. Huggins Continges As Superintendent.

The factory of the Imperial Pine Product Company, designated by many people in this city and section as "The Unknown Factory," has been purchased by Mr. Geo. E. Pope, of Parkersburg, W. Va., who arrived in the city yesterday and will reside in Wilmington in future, he and Mrs. Pope making their home with Mrs. Pope's mother, Mrs. Stella Thompson, No. 412 Red Cross street.

Mr. Pope was seen last night by a member of the STAR staff and was told that he would take possession of the property on September 1st. There is no material change to be made in the factory and its equipment in the near future. Mr. Frank L. Huggins, who has been superintendent of the factory for the past two or three years, operating several of the retorts on his personal account, making pine oil and similar products, will continue the superintendency with Mr. Pope. The purchase by Mr. Pope was made from parties in New York.

"OLD TIME FAMILY EXCURSION."

Capt. Jno. Harper Will Run One On the

Steamer Wilmington Next Friday. Capt. J. W. Harper, at the request of many patrons, has decided to run one of his "Old Time Family Excursions" down the river on the steamer Wilmington Friday, September 1st. Those who recall the pleasure attendant upon trips of this kind in years gone by will only need to learn the time and place to make sure of their going. The boat will touch both on the downward and upward trips at Carolina Beach, the out to sea, giving the public probably it last opportunity during the present season of viewing the "briny deep" from the decks of the handsome

Fare for the round trip is only fifty cents, with the privilege of a stop at Carolina Beach on the return, giving the steamer a return schedule of 5 and 7:15 o'clock P. M.

The target practice at Fort Caswell will in all probability take place on this date and passengers will have an opportunity of witnessing it from the

After Many Years.

Mr. W. H. Howell vesterday received a letter, evidently from a sanctificationist, addressed to the "Superintendent of the Street Railway in 1890." The letter, which ran as follows, was accompanied by three twocent stamps and a sanctification tract, upon which was printed an advertisement of the Way of Faith, a paper published in Columbia, S. C.:

These stamps belong to the Wilmington Street Railway Company of 1890. I beat my way over the car. It is a small amount, but it stands between me and heaven. May God bless.

laden with lumber for New York, was

Mishap on the River. When the schooner Nellie Floyd,

being towed to Southport by the tug Alexander Jones last Saturday afternoon, she collided with a government mud scow near Big Island and tore a large hole in the front side of her bow. She was towed back to the city for repairs and will proceed in a few days. The damage amounts to several hundred dollars and a partial discharge to facilitate the repairs.

# **UNNECESSARY ALARM**

Caused by Absence of Cashier of Wilmington Savings and Trust Company.

CONFIDENCE IS RESTORED.

Pew Small Depositors Withdrew Deposits-Announcement Made That Nothing is Lost by Absence of Cashier George Sloan.

The disappearance of Mr. George Sloan, cashier of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, caused considerable unnecessary alarm vesterday among some of the depositors, number having gone to the bank during the afternoon and evening and withdrawn their deposits. However, the positive assertion and guarantee on the part of Mr. J. W. Norwood, president of the bank, the directors and others, of the foremost business men and wealthiest citizens of Wilmington that the bank would not lose a cent by the absence of Mr. Sloan and that the affairs of the bank are in excellent condition, came as a very great reassurance and many who started to the bank to withdraw their deposits abandoned the idea and used their influence to allay any uneasiness entertained by others.

In this Morning's STAR will be found a statement signed by President J. W. Norwood and Directors W. A. Riach, H. L. Vollers, Jas. Worth, Geo. R. French, Donald MacRae, N. B. Rankin and D. O. Connor, reaffirming the absolute security of all deposits, that not a cent is lost by the absence of the cashier and declaring further that they will not only pay all depositors in full but also pay all stockholders in full for cost of their stock and a premium of 60 per cent. in addition, because of the surplus of the bank.

As soon as the absence of Mr. Sloan was ascertained yesterday morning, Mr. Norwood opened the Sayings Bank in person and it remained open until 10 o'clock last night in order that every depositor who so desired might have the opportunity to draw out their deposits. However, confidence was so far restored during the afternoon that for a long while before the doors closed for the night there was not a single applicant for withdrawal of deposits. It is gratifying to note that less than

per cent, of the deposits were with. drawn during the needless scare yesterday so that it could not be by any means considered a "run" in the ordinary meaning of that term as applied to banks. During the afternoon a number of business men showed their absoute confidence in the bank by making deposits of considerable sums while others were withdrawing theirs. The bank officials say that every

dollar paid to depositors yesterday was from the funds of the bank. Had it been necessary, however, to have sought other funds to meet the demands their resources were practically limitless. All the banks of the city made tenders of any amounts needed, and President Norwood put at the disposal of the bank \$25,000 in first class securities, his individual property, in case it should be needed. It was not needed, however, nor is there any indication that it will be, as the fears of depositors seem to be thoroughly allayed, and few if any at all

will withdraw their deposits to day. The deposits amount to \$660,000 in the aggregate and there are about 4,000 depositors.

Mr. Sloan's Disappearence. Mr. George Sloan, the absent cashier left Wilmington on the 7 P M northbound W. & W. train Sunday night. He purchased of Mr. J. D. Edwards, the ticket agent, a ticket to Baltimore. He told him that he was greatly over worked and was going off on a few days, vacation. It is very much feared by his family and friends that overwork has unbalanced his mind so that he is laboring under the hallucination that he has a vacation, or, certainly he, is in some way demented by over work. It is generally conceded that the business done by the bank has for a long while been so enormous as to very much overtax one cashier. How ever, he has had no assistant.

The only news received from Mr.

Sloan yesterday was the statement by Mr. J. N. Brand, of this city, that he saw him at Wilson Sunday night. He told Mr. Brand that he was going to Baltimore for a little vacation. Mr. Brand telegraphed a friend, whom he knew went toward Baltimore with Mr. Sloan, vesterday, asking about the course taken by him, and received a telegram in reply stating that he travelled with Mr. Sloan as far as Richmond and he left there on the train for Baltimore. It is believed that he will return of his own volition in a few days. One of the directors told a member of the STAR staff yesterday that he does not believe Mr. Sloan is guilty of any criminal act. In fact, it is the general belief of his friends, who, by the way are legion, that there is no more trustworthy young man in the city. He is about thirty years old and has been associated with the bank for several years. He is bonded with a standard surety company in the sum

The relatives and friends of Mr. Sloan are doing all in their power to ascertain his whereabouts and induce him to come home. His wife and two children are spending some time at Lincolnton, a popular mountain health resort.

Interesting Notes.

Referring to the withdrawn deposits of the cargo may be required in order | it is of interest to note that those who were so uneasy yesterday as to with-

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draw their deposits thereby lost their interest for the past quarter to be declar ed on September 1st. On this date a new quarter begins and all deposits therein will draw interest from that date to December 1st. It is more than probable that a large per cent. of those who drew out their money yesterday will re-deposit it in time for it to begin to draw interest on September 1st. Mr. James S. Worth is acting a

#### DECLARED A FABRICATION.

temporary cashier,

Mr. James Sprunt Denies the Repor Published in New York Papers.

Attention is directed to a card from Mr. James Sprunt, as President of the Champion Compress Company, pub lished in another column. Mr. Sprunt pronounces the report published in the New York Times, the Brooklyn Eagle and other New York papers regarding effort on his part, through one Elijah Green, colored, to induce negro refugees from Wilmington to return to the city, a fabrication throughout. The principal feature of the report was a statement that Mr. Sprunt had engaged the negro Green to go throughout the Northern States to negro refugees, driven out from Wilmington during the November race trouble, and nduce those heretofore in Mr. Sprunt's employ to return to the city, and that Green was then in New York on that mission. Mr. Sprunt in his card makes an emphatic denial of this, as well as other features of the reports in the New York papers.

Foreclosure Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the February term of the Superior Court, wherein D. L. Gore was plaintiff and Mrs. Rachael H. Davis was defendant, Mr. J. C. Gore, as commissioner, vesterday sold at auction at the Court House four tracts of land, containing 10,000 acres, more or less, to satisfy the conditions of a foreclosure proceeding. Mr. Wilkes Morris was the auctioneer and Iredell Meares, Esq., as attorney for the defendant, bid in he land at \$3,600. Only one other bid was made-that of Mr. D. L. Gore for \$3,500. The first tract, embracing 2,289 acres, is known as the "Rose Hill" plantation, about five miles from the city, on the eastern side of the Cape Fear river.

#### City License Tax.

As the month of August nears a close, City Clerk and Treasurer B. F. King is redoubling his efforts to collect the city license tax, as he very much dislikes to return a large list of delinquents to the City Attorney for indictment, as he is required to do by the new ordinance touching the matter. The collections this month have been almost unprecedented, nearly twice the amount of revenue having been derived from this source than for a corresponding period in many years. He cannot, however, rest on his oars on this account, as the law expressly requires the method of procedure re-

ferred to.

Justice McGowan's Court. Roland Freeman, colored, was before Justice McGowan yesterday, charged with the larceny of a boat from Mr. H. A. Kure. The evidence was insufficient to admit of probable cause and he was discharged. Wm. Moore, the colored boy arrested for the larceny of a watermelon, established his innocence and John Lewis, one of the witnesses, was adjudged guilty of trespass and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Other cases

tried yesterday were of a trivial nature. NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR RENT from October 1st, that very desirable store

Now occupied by The Fishblate Clothing Company. Apply to DONALD MACRAE, jy 23 tf tu th Bell 'Phone 347 OPERA HOUSE.

OPENING OF SEASON, FRIDAY NIGHT SEPTEMBER ITS UP TO YOU. 15.....ANNUAL TOUR.....15 OF THE

Al. G. Field Greater Minstrels An imperial programme teeming with novel-ties and (sensational specialties from every-where. Bigger and better than all others. 60 People on the Stage 60 Ten Surprising European Specialties. 8 Com-nendable Comedy Creators. 10 Superb Solo ingers. 10 Delightful Dazzling Dancers. 9 Matchless Musicians. See the Big Noon-day Parade.

FAMILY EXCURSION Friday, Sept. 1st.

Six miles to sea.

Arriving on the return at 5 and 7.15 o'clock P. M. Fare for the round trip, 50c. J. W. HARPER. FANCY

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Baumberg's German Fancy Knotted Cheviots. Pembroke Mills Fancy Cassimeres. Meinhard's Fancy Diagonals.

Trouserings. Anchor Mills Fancy Plaid Wool Cheviots. Holland Mills Fancy Worsteds, A pretty Line of Clay Worsteds, Lots of other Fancies in Pautings and Suitings we could

All these goods we have in stock— not in the newspapers. Work first class and Trimmings Not Excelled anywhere Your Trade Solicited. H. KRAHNKE,

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One Year, by Mail, \$5.00 Six Months, 2.50 Three Months, " 1.25 3 Two Months, 1.00 Delivered to Subscribers in the

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# TO THE PUBLIC.

George Sloan, Cashier of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Co., is missing. The Bank's books and securities have been carefully examined, and we can positively state that THE BANK WILL NOT LOSE ONE DOLLAR BY HIS ABSENCE, which we trust will be satisfactorily explained for the sake of his family and friends.

Mr. Jas. S. Worth will act as cashier for the present. (SIGNED)

DONALD MACRAE. J. W. NORWOOD,

JAS. S. WORTH. GEO. R. FRENCH, N. B. RANKIN, W. A. RIACH, D. O'CONNOR

To the Stockholders of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.

H. L. VOLLERS.

We stated to our depositors resterday that the bank would lose nothing by the absence of our cashier. We now state to you that YOUR STOCK IS SAFE, after paying all depositors, and is worth about \$160. We will pay to any stockholder desiring to sell, one hundred and sixty dollars in cash for every one hundred dollars of stock he may hold.

> J. W. NORWOOD, W. A. RIACH. H. L. VOLLERS, N. B. RANKIN, GEO. R. FRENCH, DON MACRAE, JAS. S. WORTH,

D. O'CONNOR.

# NOTICE OF OFFER

To sell One Thousand Shares of Stock in The Durham and Northern Railway Company, owned by the city of Durham.

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Durham, held on the 25th day of August, 1899, it was ordered by said Board that, "The entire stock owned by the City of Durham in The Durham and Northern Railway Company, be offered for sale, as a whole, in the following manner: The City Clerk shall advertise for sealed bids, for said stock, to be opened on the 14th day of September, 1899, at twelve o'clock M., the City reserving the right to reject any or all bids. Each bid must be accompanied by five hundred dollars in cash, or a certified check for that amount on some responsible bank, as an evidence of good faith on the part of the bidder, which shall be eturned to the owner if the bid be

not accepted. "If a sale be made, the proceeds thereof shall be placed to the credit of the sinking fund, provided for the payment of the bonds issued by the Town of Durham in aid of The Durham and Northern Railway Company, under Chapter 140 of the Laws of 1887, and the interest or dividend arising therefrom shall be applied and used to reduce the taxes collected for said funds."

By virtue of the foregoing resolution, I will receive bids as therein provided, until twelve o'clock M. of the 14th day of September, 1899. The stock to be sold consists of One Thousand Shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each. It was issued to the Town (now City) of Durham, in exchange for bonds of the par value of one hundred thousand dollars after a subscription to that amount had been made by said Town. Persons desiring further information may address me or Victor S. Bryant, City Attorney, at Durham, N. C.

City Clerk. August 27th, 1899. VOLLERS & HASHAGEN.

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GEO. W. WOODWARD,

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We have just received a nice consignment of

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Caught last week. Of nice size. Clean, Bright and Fat.

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Only a few of this kind

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Having qualified as Administratrix of Edward Van Laer, deceased, before the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said estate shall present them to the undersigned duly verified according to law, on or before August 28th, 1900, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. MATILDAE VAN LAER, Administratrix of Edward Van Laer. aug 20 6w tu

Administrator's Notice.