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OUTLINES.

The jeweled sword voted by Congress was presented to Admiral Dewey by President McKinley at the capitol in Washington. — Georgia saw mill men have ordered an advance of prices. — Col. Hawes, a leading lawyer of Bainbridge, Ga., fatally shot by another lawyer. — Commissioner Douthitt of the South Carolina dispensary has been removed for alleged fraud and irregularities. — The Atlanta Journal publishes a story that the Western Union will buy all cotton secured by merchants at prices based on recent fave quotations. — One new case of yellow fever at Jackson, Miss.; one at New Orleans and two deaths. — The race between the Columbia and Shamrock yesterday turned out to be drifting match, and was declared off with the Shamrock a quarter of a mile ahead. — Bryan received an enthusiastic reception at the Democratic carnival, Dallas, Tex.; 50,000 people present. — New York markets: Money on call irregular at 6 1/2 to 7 per cent; the last loan being at 10 per cent; cotton steady; middling uplands 7 1/2 to 8; flour moderately active, and steady without quotable change; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 78 1/2; corn—spot easy, No. 2 41c; oats—spot firm; No. 3 29 1/2c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 3.
Temperatures: 8 A. M., 53 degrees;
8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 68
degrees; minimum, 74 degrees; mean, 75
degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall
since 1st of the month up to date, —
inches.
Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 1.7 feet.
COTTON REGION BULLETIN.
Slightly higher temperature prevailed in nearly all districts. Light showers are reported for Southern Texas and generally cloudy weather prevails in the extreme South Atlantic and Gulf States.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—For North Carolina—Fair in northern, rain in southern portion Wednesday. Thursday rain, brisk northeasterly winds.

Port Almanac—Oct. 4.
Sun Rises 6:01 A. M.
Sun Sets 5:37 P. M.
Day's Length 11 H. 37 M.
High Water at Southport 7:28 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington 10:55 P. M.

The State of Georgia has 135 State banks this year, compared with 119 last year. Their capital aggregates \$37,577,933.

If Mrs. John A. Logan is really anxious to know "what shall we do with our girls" she might ask the boys.

An English scientist warns Americans that they are expecting too much from liquidified air. But may be they haven't got the right kind of air over there in England.

It is said that the best game cocks in Mexico are imported from South Carolina, numbering hundreds every year. South Carolina has always had the reputation of a game State.

There are a good many kickers in Paul Kruger's balliwick now, but when England gets those 3,000 American mules she has bought there, there will be more of them, and daisies, too.

Mrs. Van Smyth, wife of a Kansas City doctor, is said to have fallen heir to \$1,000,000 estate in Rotterdam, Holland. We congratulate her on her good fortune and trust it may not turn out to be a Rotterdam fake.

When that Russian prince married Miss Grant he toted a brass helmet during the ceremony. Most of the foreign princes, &c., who come over to marry our girls carry a good deal of brass with them but mostly in their checks.

An exchange remarks that "some jackass dropped a dummy boy off the Dewey arch in New York, and came very near causing a panic among the women below." That's doing injustice to the jackass. A jackass would never have thought of such a fool performance.

A Valued Present.
Mr. Clarence D. Maffitt yesterday received by mail a present which he very highly values. It is a ladies' watch of black steel trimmed with gold. It came from a wholesale grocery house in New York, of which Mr. Maffitt is a patron. Along with the watch came the explanation, which makes it so highly appreciated, that the steel of which the time piece is constructed, is from the hull of the battleship Maine which went down in Havana harbor, the story of which and recurring events, is now pictured vividly on the imagination of all loyal Americans. The watch bears the name of "Hobson," and Mr. Maffitt would not part with it for a good round sum. Another souvenir which he also received is a fleur de lis stick pin, of the same material and trimmings.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The Clyde steamship *New York* cleared yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for Georgetown, S. C.

—Only routine matters were discussed by the Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange yesterday.

—The schooner *Golden Ball*, Capt. Gibbs, arrived in port yesterday from Boston, consigned to Geo. Harris, Son & Co.

—Miss Daisy Cronly will receive a few pupils of the primary grade, commencing on October 16th. See advertisement.

—There were opened New River oysters on the market yesterday for the first time this season. They sold at \$1.00 per gallon readily.

—A small fire in a one-story frame house, No. 110 Bradley's alley, belonging to Messrs. Fore & Foster, called out the department yesterday at 1 o'clock. The damage was slight.

—James Jordan, colored, was committed to jail from Justice Borne-man's court yesterday in default of bond for his appearance at Criminal Court on the charge of slander.

—The schooner *J. Percy Bartram*, Capt. Lord, cleared yesterday afternoon with a cargo of lumber for Port-Au-Prince by the master as agent. She will be towed to Southport this morning.

—The Norwegian barge *Argo* from Pernambuco, which has been detained at quarantine for several days, came up to this port last evening. She is consigned to Messrs. Heide & Co., and will probably load with naval stores.

—The National Bank of Wilmington avails itself of the superior circulation of the STAR to make known its excellent facilities for accommodating the public. Its announcement will be found in our advertising columns.

—Mr. John McCartney has purchased the farm known as the Elder place, adjoining that of Mr. John G. Wagner, in Masonboro township, and has built on it a nice six-room dwelling. He will make the place his home.

—The new horse wagons for the Fire Department have been completed by the Wilmington Iron Works and now all that is needed is a coat of bright paint to add to their appearance, and they will be formally turned over to Chief Schinbelen.

—Spirits turpentine reached the high water mark for the season on the local market yesterday. The quotations were firm at 48 1/2 to 49 cents with receipts of only 43 casks.

—While on a visit to Mount Airy recently Capt. S. W. Skinner bought two fine Jersey cows. One of them is guaranteed to give 74 gallons of milk per day. This one will be kept in town, while the other will be sent to "Appleton," the farm of Mr. Louis H. Skinner.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Just received. Opera House—Washburn's Great Southern Minstrels.

Wanted—Furnished rooms. Young Lady—Position wanted. Miss Daisy Cronly—Pupils wanted.

SOUTH CAROLINIANS HERE.
A Number of Darlington's Citizens to Attend Superior Court.

One of the cases set for trial to-day brings a number of South Carolinians to the city. There were registered at The Orton some twelve or fifteen persons from Darlington and Florence, mainly the former town. The case is the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company vs. J. P. Kirvan. Among the South Carolinians here are C. S. McCullough, of Darlington, manager of the Darlington branch of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company; Geo. W. Brown, Esq., of Darlington, counsel for Mr. Kirvan; P. A. Willcox, Esq., of Florence, and R. L. Dargan, of Darlington, counsel for the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. Editor A. G. Kollok, of the Darlington News, is among the witnesses.

The Virginia Carolina Chemical Company are the plaintiffs in the action. They claim to have sold a quantity of fertilizer to Mr. Kirvan and to have taken a lien on his cotton crop as security. They charge that he shipped 100 bales of the cotton to Wilmington, compelling the company to get out an attachment.

Those present to attend the case besides those already mentioned are: E. E. Kroen, H. L. Charles, W. O. Parrott, George E. Daragn, J. R. Coggeshall, S. A. Woods, W. P. Cella.

On the River Front.
The steamer *E. A. Hines*, Capt. Black, which is on the Fayetteville run in place of the *Hurt*, arrived last night and will clear to-day on her return trip up Black river, going as far as Mill Creek. She will make a quick trip of it and will be back again Friday to clear again for Fayetteville, as it appears the *Hurt* will not be ready to resume her trips for several days.

The *Driver* is expected down early this morning from Tar Heel with a party of excursionists on board to "take in" the circus. She will probably clear on the return to-night or to-morrow.

The *Seabright*, Capt. Sanders, came in as usual from Little River last night.

THE MASONIC FAIR.

Another Enthusiastic Meeting of Masons Was Held Last Night.

AN ADDRESS BY COL. MARTIN.

He Gave An Outline of the Progress of the Work and Expressed Satisfaction. Remarks by Other Members of the Fraternity.

At a meeting of Masons last night at St. John's Lodge, Col. Noble F. Martin presided and Mr. W. P. Monroe kept a record of the proceedings. Col. Martin made a report showing what had been accomplished so far. He said in part:

"There is every indication that the fair to be held in the new Masonic Temple, Nov. 13-25, for the benefit of the temple fund, will be a success, and that it will prove an event in the Masonic annals which will be referred to with gratification for many years to come."

"But you certainly cannot expect to accomplish big results unless every man puts his shoulder to the wheel and helps it along. Certainly the citizens of the city should respond nobly to the cause. I do not think I have been refused a donation in return for work already done, but not yet had from."

The chairman added that donations were coming in rapidly. He said that about 130 share-books had been given out, many having been sent to persons outside of the city. He emphasized the necessity for more of the Masons in the city to take share-books. All of the 128 members of the fraternity should have books, and they ought to use every endeavor to place the shares. He said that the best way to get rid of the floating debt was to do it now—by making the Masonic Association Fair the success it can be made. He spoke of the contributions which had come from outside places, and said they were larger than at any place where he had conducted a fair. Five dollars had been sent from Boston, and similar amounts from New York and Baltimore. In the matter of share-books Col. Martin explained particularly that takers were responsible only for the shares they sold.

Mr. M. S. Willard asked what would be expected of individual Masons during the Fair. He thought that while the Fair is in progress and from now until it opens, there would be opportunity for every Mason to do something. Beginning with the first meeting when the temple was discussed, held in 1895, a few had borne the whole brunt and the amount of work that had been done would be a revelation to many. He urged the necessity of every Mason taking hold and working hard, sacrificing if necessary personal comfort and even business interests to make the Fair a success. He explained how unforeseen expenses had caused a floating debt and he showed how necessary it was to get rid of it at once.

Mr. Ike Bear also made remarks looking to increased enthusiasm and energy in the work. He suggested that the lodge should canvass their members and see that every man is working. The liberty of those who are not Masons was commented on by Mr. Bear.

On motion of Mr. W. P. Monroe, the masters of all the lodges were requested to summons their members to special meetings for the purpose of placing share-books and otherwise encouraging enthusiasm.

Col. Martin stated that in response to inquiries if Masons and their families would be admitted to the Fair without expense that no passes would be granted.

The canvass for donations yesterday was made by Col. Martin, assisted by Mr. Ike Bear in the morning and Mr. C. W. Worth in the afternoon. The following were received:

The Worth Co., one-half barrel sugar; one case soap, one watch, two cases canned oysters; Owen F. Love & Co., one gasoline cook stove; Geschen Bros., one case rye; Geschen & Co., one case Montreal rye; F. T. Mills, one lap robe; Rheinstein Dry Goods Co., \$10 worth of notions; A. D. Brown, one art square; Corbett & Co., one barrel patent cream flour; Swift & Co., one 23 pound can of lard; J. B. Turentine Co., three hams; C. D. Maffitt, one-quarter dozen brooms; Stone, Bourk & Co., one box soap (100 cakes); Yopp & Helms, one bicycle lamp.

Col. Martin will leave here Friday night for New York city to attend a meeting of the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, of which he is the secretary. He expects to get back here Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Meetings of the Commandery Booth and Orient Booth ladies' committees were held at the Orton yesterday afternoon, and there will be a meeting of the Concord Chapter committee at the same place at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

After Four Years.
Mr. J. H. Anderson, of this city, told a STAR reporter last night of rather an unusual occurrence. A letter which was mailed to his address from South Washington, N. C., on March 24, 1895—over four years ago—reached him only yesterday, it having been delayed somewhere in transit. It is needless to say that when it did come it was welcomed by Mr. Anderson, who will keep it as a curiosity.

WILMINGTON MUSICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING.

Began Its Winter's Rehearsals Last Evening Under Flattering Auspices—Officers Elected for Ensuing Year.

There was a well attended meeting of the Wilmington Musical Association in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. last evening, the occasion being the annual election of officers and the opening rehearsal for the season.

The business meeting claimed the attention of the enthusiastic gathering first, after which a very satisfactory rehearsal was enjoyed which was participated in by those present.

At the executive session the following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: President—Col. A. M. Waddell. Vice President—Miss Annie Hart. Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Jas. Owen Reilly.

Musical Director—Mr. Ed. Munson. Accompanist—Mr. A. H. Yopp. Music Committee—Mr. N. B. Rankin, Mr. A. S. Holden, Mrs. A. M. Waddell, Mrs. D. Sam Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, Mr. N. B. Rankin, Mr. J. W. Reilly and Mr. Will Rehdler.

It was decided to hold the regular winter rehearsals on Monday evenings in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. Numbered among the membership of the Association is some of the first musical talent of the city and the winter work promises to be the most enjoyable and beneficial since the formation of the organization.

The following is a list of the members: Misses Annie Adrian, Annie Bowden, Alice Boatwright, Maggie Brown; Mrs. Luther Bell, Messrs. Swift Boatwright, R. C. Banks, Misses Mary Calder, Ada Cooper; Messrs. Charles Cooper, E. K. Calder; Mrs. George Cotchet, Mrs. J. W. Carmichael, Mrs. W. H. Chadbourne; Misses Annie B. DeRosset, Minnie Dock, Davie Duff; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Emerson, Mrs. Jno. Frank, Mrs. Gregg; Misses Annie Hart, Mattie Horne, Miss Hintz, Miss Lottie Haas, Mrs. W. L. Latta, Mrs. Chas. Myers, Mrs. Kate McCarry, Misses Carrie Myers, Maud McLeod, Mary McKoy, Miss Minz, Miss Milla Miller, Messrs. E. H. Munson, J. T. Metts, J. Van B. Metts, Miss Nellie O'Leary, Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill, Misses Annie Platt and Nellie Platt, Miss Fair Payne, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Rankin, Miss Mayveller Rankin, Mr. John T. Rankin, Messrs. J. W. Reilly, James Owen, Reilly, Will Rehdler, E. Schulken, Mrs. J. T. Schonwald, Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs. T. E. Sprunt, Miss Stejles, Misses Emma and Kate Stoler, Col. and Mrs. A. M. Waddell, Miss Waddell, Misses Hattie Whitaker, Emma West, Mrs. J. H. Waters, Mrs. C. W. Woodward, Miss Clara Woodward, Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Wertenbaker, Mr. Lonnie Williford, Mr. A. H. Yopp, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Holden.

At last night's meeting the following list of new members were received enthusiastically by the association: Mrs. D. Sam Cox, Mrs. David Clark, Miss Annie Slagier, Miss Edith Bolles, Miss Lydia Yates, Mrs. E. C. Holt, Mr. Henry McFarland, Mr. Frank Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. McMillen.

THE EASTERN ASSOCIATION.
Met Yesterday at 11 O'clock at Mount Holy Baptist Church Near South Washington.

At the Eastern Baptist Association which met at Mt. Holy Church, near South Washington, yesterday at 11 o'clock the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. N. B. Cobb in the absence of Rev. R. C. Sandlin, who was on the programme. Rev. J. J. Payseur, of Brooklyn Baptist Church, preached to an overflow meeting in the grove.

Among those who went up from Wilmington yesterday morning were Dr. C. S. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church; Messrs. S. G. Hall and B. F. Keith, delegates from the First Baptist Church; Rev. J. J. Payseur, Rev. J. H. Hildreth and Mr. D. L. Gore, delegates from Brooklyn Baptist Church; Mr. J. F. Littleton, delegate from Southside Baptist Church; Rev. R. H. Hewlett and Mr. J. G. Walton, delegates from Masonboro Baptist Church; Rev. E. J. Edwards, representing the North Carolina Baptist of Fayetteville; Mrs. L. K. Taylor and Mr. M. F. McClammy.

Several prominent Baptists came down to attend the Association on the southbound W. & W. train yesterday afternoon. They were Mr. J. C. Caddell, of the *Biblical Recorder*; Rev. J. E. White, Secretary of the Board of Missions; Mr. Archibald Johnson, of *Charity and Children*. Rev. J. J. Payseur and Mr. B. F. Keith returned to the city last evening to spend the night.

On the programme for to-day is a missionary sermon by Rev. Dr. Blackwell.

Municipal Court Yesterday.
In the Mayor's Court yesterday morning cases were disposed of as follows: Louis Terminus, disorderly conduct; fined \$10, of which half was remitted. Sib Baldwin, an old colored offender, was given thirty days in the guard house for disorderly conduct and fighting.

Alex. Immann, a colored cart driver, was fined \$5 for fast driving on Fourth street bridge. He was arrested by Policeman Bowen.

Will Make This His Home.
Mr. Jno. F. Maloney, the popular and well known commercial traveller for the large wholesale shoe and leather house of Messrs. Stern & Co., of Richmond, Va., has been spending several days in Wilmington and has been so impressed with the many advantages of the city that he has decided to move his family here and make this his headquarters for the future. Mr. Maloney and family will have a suite of rooms at The Orton.

WALLACE'S BIG SHOWS ARE IN WILMINGTON.

Will Give Two Superb Performances To-day and To-night—Show in Wilson Yesterday—The Parade.

By the time this issue of the STAR reaches many of its readers the Great Wallace Shows, with their long train of cars for the circus paraphernalia and menagerie and their magnificent coaches for the employes of the show, will have arrived at Wilmington and the spacious grounds just this side of the Street Railway terminal at Hilton will gradually be transformed by hurrying circus laborers from a barren waste to a veritable village, with the mammoth tent of the main show overshadowing the various side shows, ticket stands, animal cages, etc., that go to make up a big circus, such as the Wallace people are carrying with them this season.

A gentleman, who came down from Wilson last night, said that the performance there yesterday was the best seen in the south this season and that lovers of the rig and admirers of the rarest performance would miss the circus if they failed to "take in" the show here to-day. The show trains were scheduled to leave Wilson last night at 11 o'clock and to arrive here at 4 o'clock this morning. One of the Coast Line's mammoth engines of ten driving wheels, was sent over from Rocky Mount yesterday afternoon to assist in pulling the train in this morning. The stop will be made at Hilton and the work of putting everything in readiness for the grand parade at 10 o'clock this morning and the performance at noon to day will be immediately begun. The parade will embrace the principal streets of the city, and there will be two exhibitions—afternoon and night.

The Wilmington Street Railway has made special efforts to handle the large crowds and more cars than were ever in service on the tracks in Wilmington before will be put in operation. A ten minutes schedule will be maintained as usual but there will be special cars from Princess street junction to Hilton for the crowds brought in on the cars from around "the belt." The connection with the Seaboard Air Line train will be made, in order to better accommodate the circus goers.

A special squad of police will be sworn in this morning and perfect order on the streets and at the grounds is assured.

The Atlantic & Yadkin train last evening brought a good crowd of up-country people down for the occasion and numbers of others are expected on the morning trains to-day. One fare for the round trip is given on all railroads.

AUDIT AND FINANCE.
City Board Met Yesterday Afternoon and Transacted Regular Routine of Work. Mr. Slocum's Bond.

Routine matters only engaged yesterday's session of the City Board of Audit and Finance, which met at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Present at the meeting were Mr. H. C. McQueen, the chairman, Mr. C. W. Yates and Mr. Jesse Wilder.

One coupon of \$25 due January 1st, 1899, and 878 coupons, aggregating in amount \$18,487.50, and due July 1st, 1899, which had been paid, were burned by the board.

Mr. W. R. Slocum, who has the contract for doing the city scavenger work, presented his bond as such in the sum of \$400, given in the "American Bonding and Trust Company of Baltimore City," and it was approved. A certified check on the bank which Mr. Slocum had deposited as security until bond arrived, was surrendered to him.

The tax ordinance with reference to "Markets, private" was amended so as to make the license tax of \$100 per annum payable annually in advance, in lieu of quarterly, in concurrence with the action of the Board of Aldermen.

The special appropriation of \$700 made by the Board of Aldermen for improvements to the guard house was also approved.

The action of the Aldermen in appropriating an additional \$160 for the purchase of a mule in the street cleaning department, to take the place of one lost recently, was also approved.

They were audited and approved as follows: Current expenses.....\$ 4,766.39
Coupons.....18,512.50
Interest.....602.50
Total.....\$23,881.39

The hour for the regular meetings was changed to 8 o'clock P. M., instead of 8 P. M. as heretofore.

White Patent Axle and Hub Co.
A consignment of machinery for the manufacture of the new axle and hub recently invented by Mr. F. P. White, of Brunswick county, and which is being pushed by the White Patent Axle & Hub Co., of this city, has arrived and will be placed soon. The manufacture of these articles will be commenced in a few weeks on an extensive scale; in fact the machinery already here has a capacity claimed by the manufacturers of turning out axles at the rate of over 200 per day. The machinery referred to is of the very latest pattern and is the same as that now in use by prominent carriage builders all over the country.

A prominent stockholder in the concern last night stated to a STAR representative that the prospects were exceedingly bright for the future of the company.

A SUIT FOR DAMAGES

Against the City of Wilmington Asking for \$25,000 With the Costs.

BROUGHT BY MRS. J. STRAUSS

Alleging Gross Negligence by Which Her Husband Lost His Life—Yesterday's Session of New Hanover Superior Court—Jury for To-day.

Yesterday the entire session of the Superior Court was taken up in arranging for the suit and hearing a part of the plaintiff's testimony in the case of Mrs. Jessie B. Strauss, executrix of W. H. Strauss, in an action for alleged damages to the amount of \$25,000 against the City of Wilmington. The entire morning hours were consumed in selecting a jury, counsel for both sides having exhausted all the peremptory challenges and many for cause. At length the following jury was empanelled and the case entered upon after the dinner hour: W. L. Bell, C. W. Craig, George T. Hewlett, K. H. Snell, E. D. Craig, T. D. Love, W. J. Meredith, J. D. Dennis, S. H. Mintz, James Milan, T. E. Heath, W. B. Bowden.

For the plaintiff the attorneys were Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, Bellamy & Bellamy, and A. J. Marshall, Esq. For the city appeared Geo. Routree, Esq., Bryan & McNeill and City Attorney Meares. The case is an important one and has been in the courts since 1896.

The complainant alleges that on or about January 11th, 1896, the city caused to be graded and excavated a certain public path or crossing leading from the western side of Third street between Chesnut and Mulberry, north of Cochran's alley, to the intersection of Grace with Third street, the same having been used as a public crossing for a period of more than 20 years. That the defendant excavated the crossing to a depth of two or more feet and "negligently, carelessly and willfully" allowed the same to remain open without the necessary lights, safeguards or warnings to pedestrians.

That the plaintiff's testator returning to his home at night, when about to pass over said public crossing, without negligence on his part, fell into the excavation and sustained serious and fatal injuries, suffering great bodily pain and anguish until said injury caused his death six months afterwards.

The plaintiff asks for damages to the amount mentioned, together with costs of the action.

A part of the witnesses for the plaintiff were heard yesterday afternoon as follows: W. H. Strauss, a son of the deceased, who was accompanying his father at the time of the accident, Dr. T. S. Burbanks, an attending physician, W. A. Howey, B. C. Moore, Capt. T. D. Meares, W. E. Shaw, W. B. French, Jr., A. S. Holden and Tom Pae, all of whom have knowledge of the condition of the street at the time the accident occurred.

Court adjourned at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon during the progress of the trial, which will be taken up again this morning and further testimony heard for the plaintiff as well as evidence which will be submitted in behalf of the city. The jury was dismissed also until the re-convening of the session this morning.

The following cases set for yesterday could not be reached: W. B. Slade vs. Trustees Shiloh Baptist Church; J. D. Sidbury vs. W. T. Bannerman; H. A. Burr vs. T. Frank Simmons; R. W. Smith vs. Inter-State Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The cases on the docket set for to-day are Metts H. Hullen vs. City of Wilmington, and the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company vs. J. P. Kirvan, but it is not probable that any of these will be reached.

The following special jury has been drawn to serve to-day in connection with the regular jury for the week: James T. Jarrat, T. N. Justice, T. H. McGee, W. A. Baldwin, Adolph Nelson, W. A. J. Yopp, C. H. Dollar, L. A. Hewlett, Fred Koonce, G. A. Cardwell, E. V. Balser, L. M. Smith, Robert Scott, J. S. Potter, Hugh MacRae, James E. Hall, E. A. Kerr, E. R. Chadwick. The number drawn is eighteen, by special order of Judge Bryan, so as to eliminate the trouble in selecting, which delayed yesterday's session for more than two hours.

WASHBURN'S GREAT MINSTRELS.
Will Begin a Two Days' Engagement Here Friday—A Number One Attraction.

The Wilmington Opera House management will tender to its patrons a suitable attraction in "The Great Southern Minstrels," which are to play engagements here next Friday and Saturday evenings. All lovers of bright and tuneful music will thoroughly enjoy the entertainment, as particular attention has been paid to that portion of the programme. The company's quartette has made a most enviable reputation for itself wherever heard, the ensemble singing being almost flawless, while the soloists, which include Master Tommy McKenna, the famous boy baritone of New York, are all vocalists of the highest order. One of the best orchestras, sixteen in number, ever carried by a minstrel company, will render selections from famous composers. The orchestra is under the personal direction of Mr. W. L. Munn, a musical director of note in the musical world. A matinee will be given on Saturday afternoon at the usual hour.

The excursion to Charlotte returned to the city this morning at 1 o'clock.

The National Bank of Wilmington.

Capital and Surplus, \$118,000.
We offer you our services as Bankers. We use every effort in our power to serve the interests of our customers. Try us, and see if we do not please you in every way.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Tom DeRosset left last night for New York.

—Sheriff F. W. Hargett, of Onslow county, is in the city.

—Mr. T. B. Henderson and son, of Jacksonville, are here.

—Editor C. Ed. Taylor, of Southport, came up to the city yesterday.

—Capt. J. E. Kelly, of the A. C. L. at Florence, S. C., is in the city.

—Col. K. D. Urquhart, of Saltville, Va., arrived in the city last evening.

—Mr. H. A. Townsend, of Raynham, is in the city on a business trip.

—Capt. Jeff D. Sessions, of Steadman, came down to the city on business last night.

—Wade Wishart, Esq., of Whiteville, was among the visitors to the city yesterday.

—Miss Irene Simpson, a charming young lady of Point Caswell, is in the city visiting friends.

—Mr. E. A. Hawes and daughter, of Atkinson, N. C., were among last evening's arrivals in the city.

—Dr. E. Porter was here yesterday, on his way to his oyster beds at Bay View in Onslow county.

—Mrs. B. F. King and children returned yesterday from their Summer outing at Lenoir, N. C.

—The STAR was glad to have a call yesterday from Editor A. G. Kollok, of the Darlington News.

—Mrs. Robert Strange and children returned to the city last evening. Dr. Strange went up to Wilson yesterday morning to meet them.

—Jno. H. Gore, Jr., Esq., of Wilmington, and H. E. Frazier, Esq., of Whiteville, went up the W. & W. yesterday morning on professional business.

—Hon. Franklin McNeill returned yesterday morning from Raleigh, where he went Sunday to attend the meeting of the Corporation Commission.

—Misses Emmie McRacken and May Richardson, of Whiteville, arrived yesterday and will leave to-day for the Greensboro Normal and Industrial College.

—Misses Inez Moore and Nellie Newton, of Southport, and Miss Mattie Taylor, of Town Creek, came up from the Wilmington last evening and will leave this morning for Greensboro to attend the State Normal and Industrial College.

Prof. Kingsbury's Exhibition.
Through an inadvertency the STAR made no reference yesterday morning to the exhibition in hypnotism by Prof. Walter R. Kingsbury at the Opera House Monday night. The performance was really a meritorious one, and as a demonstration of the wonderful control one mind may wield over another by exercising the gifts of the mysterious art, it was not one whit behind the entertainments given here and in other cities in the South by Prof. Lee, whose achievements in this respect have