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OUTLINES.

Governor Taylor says the Legislature of Kentucky will meet to day in London; a company of State militia arrived in the town yesterday morning. — The British-American treaty relative to the construction of the Nicaragua canal was signed yesterday. — Senator Coffey, of Louisiana, discussed the Philippine question. — The N. C. Supreme Court examined a class of forty-three young men (four of the class colored) for license to practice law in North Carolina. — American troops in the Philippines have occupied permanent line ports; Filipinos were driven out, many killed, and arms and ammunition captured. — Schooner Mary Ward capsized near Beaufort, N. C., and five men drowned; Captain Cox and two others of the crew were rescued. — Louisiana Republicans nominated a full State ticket, and endorsed McKinley and Bliss. — Governor Taylor, of Kentucky, says he is willing to submit the merits of his claim to three men, to be selected by the U. S. Supreme Court. — Fire at Greensboro Sunday destroyed a large clothing store; loss \$80,000. — New York markets: Money on call steady at 2 1/2 per cent; cotton steady, middling uplands 8 1/2; flour very steady; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 7 1/2; corn—spot steady, No. 2 40c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 29c; rosin firm, strained common to good \$1.63; spirits turpentine strong at 55@56c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 5.
Temperatures: 8 A. M., 48 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 58 degrees; minimum, 48 degrees; mean, 53 degrees.
Rainfall for the day, —, .69 inch since 1st of the month up to date, .69 inch.
Stage of water at Fayetteville 5.3 feet.
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—For North Carolina: Partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday; winds shifting to light and fresh southwesterly.

Port Almanac—Feb. 6.

Sun Rises 6 58 A. M.
Sun Sets 5 31 P. M.
Day's Length 10 H. 53 M.
High Water at Southport, 12 49 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington, 2 19 A. M.

Bob Fitzsimmons says he was "doped" when he fought Jeffries. Took too many punches.

Julius Caesar and George Washington are near neighbors in Tacoma, and they are on good terms too.

The British casualties in the Boer war figure up after the Spion Kop affair, 9,658 men in killed, wounded and missing.

Gen. Buller says he has the key to Lydenburg. Judging from the way he is swinging around it must be the key to the back door.

One of the French soldiers wants France to invest about \$128,000,000 in war ships, &c. As France seems to be flinching outland he hopes to make a better show off.

Chevalier Lazarvitch, a Hungarian nobleman, who in nine months has got away with \$2,400,000, is now in New York, as poor as Lazarus, and trying to run his face for his daily hash.

Since Chicago has been turning her sewage into the Mississippi river the St. Louis doctors advise the people who use river water to boil it. Good advice even if there were no Chicago seasoning in that water.

According to some of the Georgia papers the liquor question is in a muddle in that State, growing out of conflicting views of the State law regulating the sale of liquors, and providing for prohibition in such counties as desire it. Liquor is a great maddler.

Crooked dealing has almost knocked the bottom out of our export trade in cheese, and now we are told that the same thing is coming over our foreign bicycle trade, the exports of which fell from \$5,473,000 in the first eight months of 1899, to \$3,951,000 in the first eight months of 1899. Cheap bicycles that were not safe to ride did it.

Want to See the World.

There appears to be a perfect mania among a number of the younger boys of the city to "run away" from their parents, as it is commonly termed by the youngsters, who are thus infatuated with the roving inclination. Five small boys of respectable families and of good breeding are reported to have left the city on a "tramp" Sunday. The police have been instrumental in restoring to their parents a number of youngsters who thus "tramped off" during the past several months, and it is probable that in the Sunday incident there is more work in this line for the departments in various cities where these boys are bound.

LOCAL DOTS.

The Mayor tried four unimportant cases of "drunk and down" yesterday morning. — A false alarm of fire was sent in last night about nine o'clock from box 83, corner Water and Chestnut streets. — The steamer Driver was not in port as usual yesterday. She is delayed by heavy traffic and will not be down until to-day. — The meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Central railroad was again postponed till 11 o'clock next Monday. — Sunday afternoon Mary Hicks, a little girl living at Delgado, was run over by a bicycle on the shell road leading by the village. She was quite painfully hurt. — The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wilmington Sea coast railroad will be held this morning at 11 o'clock in the rooms of the Merchants' Association. — Workmen are engaged in tearing away old machinery and building and improving the plant of the old creosote works, preparatory to the installation of new machinery and the beginning of operations by Mr. L. Hansen, the recent purchaser. — Col. W. J. Woodward, the secretary, gives notice that the forty-seventh annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society will be held in the reading room of the Sailors' Home this afternoon at 3 o'clock. — Burglars are said to be on their rounds at the Delgado village. An attempt was made to enter the hotel there on Friday night, and on Saturday night some one tried to enter the residence of Superintendent James C. Reid. — The supposed case of smallpox at the residence of Deputy Sheriff George W. Mills proved to be chicken pox, of which there are said to be a number of cases in the city. There was no other case of smallpox reported yesterday. — Mr. J. P. Jones, superintendent of the city quarries, began work yesterday morning with fifteen hands, of whom there are five white and ten colored. The quarries are on Mr. A. Wright's land on Burnt Mill Creek, near Mr. L. B. Rhodes' place. — Rt. Rev. Bishop Rondthaler, of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church, preached two interesting sermons in the First Presbyterian church, this city, on Sunday. Bishop Rondthaler is now the guest of Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Harper, and will probably return to his home to-day. — The steamer *Sabright*, Capt. W. A. Sanders, is now making three trips a week to Little River, S. C., and intervening points. Shipping is unusually good for the season and not only the steamer but all the little coasting vessels are doing a splendid business.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

French Bros.—Phosphate lime. Price, McCormick & Co.—Cotton. J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Received to-day Seaman's Friend Society.—Meeting, Seacoast Road—Stockholders' meeting.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Young Man—Wants work.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Dr. L. P. Aaon, of Mt. Olive, was here yesterday.

—Mr. A. David returned yesterday from a business trip North.

—Mr. and Mrs. Marburg, of Baltimore, are in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith.

Sunday School at Delgado.

A thriving Sunday school of more than sixty members was organized Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at the Mineral Springs, by Superintendent Geo. E. Letwisch, of the First Baptist Sunday School, and Superintendent J. S. Canaday, of Southside Baptist Sunday School. Mr. Letwisch was elected temporary superintendent; Mr. Canaday, secretary; Misses Bertha Swinson, Irene Peterson, Julia Merrill, Minnie Wescoat, Louise White, of the committee, and Misses Annie Platt, Nellie Platt, Mamie Morrill, Gracie White and Messrs. S. G. Hall and W. L. Williford.

Still Advancing.

Spirits turpentine went to 54 cents in price yesterday and it is predicted that the end is not yet. Crude sold yesterday at \$3.00 per barrel for hard and \$3.25 per barrel for dip—an advance of twenty-five cents over last week's quotations. Only 12 casks of spirits were received yesterday and of crude here were only 7 barrels.

Golf Club News.

The Cape Fear Golf Club's rustic club house, which is being erected on the links at Hilton Park, is being roofed this week. It will be quite a rustic house when finished. The links are now in fine order.

For sale—7,155 acres virgin long leaf pine, near Wilmington. Sold cheap to quick cash purchaser. Piedmont Lumber Company, Charlotte, N. C.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Aldermen Last Night.

PATROL WAGON ORDERED.

Bids Received for a Handsome New Portico to the Opera House—The City Rock Quarries Opened—Sanitary Drainage System.

The Board of Aldermen met in regular monthly session last night at 8 o'clock. Mayor Waddell presiding. All the members of the Board were in attendance, viz: Aldermen Woodard, Hanby, West, Taylor, Worth, MacRae, Montgomery, Spencer, Parker and Springer.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, after which reports were called for.

Alderman West, of the Markets Committee, said he had no report but recommended that three lights be placed over the fish benches at the lower end of the fish market. It was so ordered.

In this connection Alderman MacRae informed the Board that the fish lights had been greatly improved recently. More pressure is now put on the gasworks and the quality of the light thereby improved.

Alderman Taylor, of the Police Committee, reported that the Board of Audit and Finance had agreed to the appropriation for a patrol wagon or "black maria," and that it had been ordered and was expected in a few days.

Alderman Springer, of the Lights Committee, reported that three electric lights had been put in at the upper end of the fish market.

Alderman Hanby, of the Public Buildings Committee, reported that an expenditure of \$40, he has had some improvements made at the Opera House to shut out cold draughts. He also reported that he had a bid of \$433 from Mr. T. F. Tyler for constructing a new portico and portico steps to the Opera House, and a bid of \$450 from Mr. L. H. Vollers for building the portico and steps and also a pair of steps to the stage entrance. As it appeared that Mr. Tyler's bid did not include the stage steps, and there was a doubt as to whether his bid included them, a motion was adopted that the contract be awarded at a cost not to exceed \$450.

Alderman MacRae, of the Sanitary Committee, reported that City Engineer Jos. H. McRee had prepared plans for a system of surface drainage with a view to draining off various places in the city. He recommended an appropriation of \$5,000 to complete the system in accordance with the plans. It was ordered that \$5,000 be appropriated and that if there is any excess of the appropriation for streets, the appropriation shall be made from that source.

On motion of Alderman MacRae it was ordered that a uniform overcoat be furnished to Captain Robert Green, quarantine officer.

Alderman Taylor announced that Messrs R. W. Hicks and G. J. Boney were present in behalf of the petition from the merchants on the wharf, requesting that the hours for delivering freight along the dummy line on Water and Nut streets be increased from 11 A. M. to 2 P. M. The petition was read and on motion was granted.

Alderman MacRae, of the Streets and Wharves Committee, reported that work was begun yesterday on the lime stone quarries on Mr. W. A. Wright's lands on Burnt Mill Creek, and that rock was found in surprising quantity. He said the city would save \$1 per ton alone on the freight which would have been paid on rock secured from Mt. Airy. Besides the money paid out to the hands would remain here to be spent among the merchants. Upon his request the Board authorized the Streets and Wharves Committee to purchase three or four wide tire wagons in which to haul rock from the quarries to the rock crusher. He said the city had a lease of five years on the quarry property. He also reported that the county authorities proposed to cooperate in the quarrying of rock for the county roads, and he believed there was enough rock for both the city and county.

Mayor Waddell said he drove out to the quarries yesterday and found that Mr. J. P. Jones, the superintendent, had at work five white men and ten negroes. He stated that it had been agreed that preference should be given to white labor, and that he had notified the superintendent of that fact. He informed the superintendent that he had an application from a worthy ex-Confederate for work, and he was told by both Superintendent of Streets Perry and quarry Superintendent J. P. Jones that the man should not work under them. The Mayor held that this was insubordination, asserting that as mayor he had the right to hire or discharge.

Alderman MacRae called attention to the previous action of the Board authorizing the superintendent to hire his own help. A long discussion, and which sometimes threatened to become pretty warm, then followed. It finally petered out with every body in a good humor. In the discussion Alderman MacRae stated that Superintendent Jones had been employed at \$3.00 per day to superintend the quarries, and he thought he would be more efficient if he were allowed to hire and manage his hands.

Alderman Parker requested that, if possible, Mr. John Welch, a Confederate veteran, be given work at the quarries. It seems that Mr. Welch

CAPE FEAR CAMP NO. 254, CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Enthusiastic Meeting Last Night—Lee Celebration Matters—May Have Several Speakers Soon.

Cape Fear Camp No. 254, United Confederate Veterans, held an enthusiastic meeting last evening at the W. L. L. armory. Officers were in attendance upon the meeting, Commander James I. Metts, presiding, Adjutant Henry Savage, secretary; Sergeant Major R. F. Hamme, and Comrades W. J. Woodward, W. L. DeRosset, James Carmichael, W. H. Green, T. D. Meares, J. R. Marshall, J. E. Matthews, W. W. Harris, A. L. DeRosset, Thos. O. Bunting, D. S. Bender, R. M. McInture, George W. Higgins, Sol. Bear, F. W. Kerchner, W. B. Bowden, J. A. King, W. L. Wilkins, Jesse Wilder, A. J. Holt, Jno. H. Ruark, L. S. Belden, Chas. Hodges, J. O. Crosby, G. W. Woodcock and P. Heinsberger.

After reading and approval of the minutes of the last meeting the letter from Superintendent Blair, of the Wilmington schools, stating that Hansell's history was now in general use. Col. DeRosset presented the report of the History Committee of the Grand Camp C. V. of Virginia, and upon motion it was submitted to the local History Committee.

Commander Metts made a report of the observance of Lee's birthday and reported a balance of about \$32 on hand of the moneys collected for this purpose. In this connection Col. Kerchner offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of Cape Fear Camp United Confederate Veterans be and is hereby tendered to the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Second Regiment Band, Mr. S. A. Schloss for the free tender of the Opera House, the Board of Aldermen for the use of the City Hall, for the large impromptu military organizations, Rev. Robert Strang, D. D. and last, but not least, the eloquent address of our Comrade Junius Davis on the occasion of the celebration of the birthday of Robert E. Lee.

Your committee begs to express their great gratification at the large attendance of the Confederate Veterans and trust that in the future no living veteran will be absent when we celebrate the birthday of our Chief, Robert E. Lee.

Dr. Carmichael offered to add that the balance of the money left over to be paid to the Daughters of the Confederacy of this city and it was so adopted.

General order No. 14 from General F. M. Parker was read and ordered on file.

The committee on cemetery lot reported an offer from the Oakdale Cemetery Company, and also one from the Bellevue Cemetery Company, and on motion the committee asked for and were granted further time.

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Col. Jno. L. Cantwell and Mr. S. J. Sneed, the latter of Company A, Third N. C. Cavalry, were elected members of the camp.

The commander was requested to communicate with Wilson G. Lamb with a view to have him deliver an address upon the defenses of Wilmington as regards Hoke's division.

Capt. A. L. DeRosset made a motion, which was adopted, that Comrade E. S. Martin be requested to address the camp on February 22d on the evacuation of Fort Caswell and Fort Anderson and retreat through Wilmington.

Bond Over to Court.

C. P. Lockey, Jr., was bound over to the Criminal Court yesterday by Justice Fowler in the sum of \$25 justified, in default of which bond he was remanded to jail. The charge against young Lockey as stated in Sunday's STAR, was the appropriation to his own use of a number of stamped envelopes belonging to the Standard Oil Company, which were procured from the room of a friend who is employed by the Standard Oil Company and who had the envelopes at his home for the purpose of mailing for his company at night the regular monthly statements.

Lockey was represented by A. J. Marshall, Esq., and as the charge is a petty one and the bond small, it is probable that he will be released in a few days.

Concert to-morrow Night.

Some of the papers are lavish in their praise of the "International" Grand Concert Company, which is booked to give a concert at the city in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, and the reports indicate that they have drawn tremendous audiences and aroused the public to enthusiasm. Rarely does such an organization come this way, and it is hoped that our citizens will show their appreciation of the enterprise of the Star Course committee by packing the house.

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A PORTABLE PRISON.

Will Be Purchased for Convict Squad on the County Public Roads.

\$400 AUTHORIZED BY BOARD.

The Commissioners Are at Work on Road Matters—Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—W. L. L. Appropriation Held Up.

Matters pertaining to the county permanent road improvement were the chief topics of discussion at yesterday afternoon's regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, at which all the members were present. Col. Roger Moore presiding. The decisive step taken in this connection was the authorization of the chairman by the board to purchase one of the portable convict barracks, reference to which has already been made in these columns, and the appropriation of \$100 for the erection of temporary barracks at a point near the seven mile post on the Holly Shelter or Castle Haynes road, near which place the convicts under the supervision of Capt. John Barry, the road superintendent, are now engaged at work.

The portable prison is the invention of Mr. W. S. King, of Darlington, S. C., supervisor of roads in that county, and his recent visit here and conference with the Board of County Commissioners was mentioned in the STAR at the time. The "wheeled cages," as the prison is commonly termed, has quarters and sleeping apartments for twenty convicts and is designed to be drawn from place to place by six horses. It is covered, substantially built and allows a squad of convicts to be safely imprisoned just where the work is completed each night. Col. Moore was authorized at the meeting yesterday to expend \$400 for the purchase of the prison f. o. b. cars at Darlington, S. C. He will immediately begin correspondence with Mr. King relative to the purchase of the prison and it is likely it will be in use upon the roads in a short while.

Until this is done, it was deemed expedient at the meeting to erect temporary barracks at the seven-mile post on the Holly Shelter road, as under the present arrangement the convicts and guards are compelled each morning to walk four miles to the road work, returning the same distance at night to the County Home, the only place of detention. As stated, \$100 is set aside for this purpose and a building 20x30 feet will be constructed at once.

Capt. Barry now has twenty-six convicts at work daily upon the roads and the Holly Shelter road has been permanently improved to the proposed location of the temporary prison, which is seven miles from the city.

Another road matter it was also ordered that Commissioner Alexander and Capt. Jno. Barry be appointed a committee to restrict the roads, combining one or more sections in one, thereby reducing the fees of township supervisors who receive \$2 per day and devote a day to each section. By the new method it is hoped to give only one day to two or more sections.

Miscellaneous Business.

W. W. Garrell, of Masonboro township, was placed on the outside poll list and allowed \$2 per month. R. J. Smith, of Wilmington township, was relieved of poll tax on account of physical disability.

Capt. Jos. H. McRee was appointed to survey certain lands of B. S. Montford, in Cape Fear township and Mr. W. M. Hensley to survey lands of Henry Green in same township.

Abatement of \$250 was allowed in assessed value of personal property of Mrs. H. C. Daniel, the same having been burned prior to the listing by agent.

Dr. W. D. McMillan, county physician, reported having treated 198 patients in the office and having made 68 visits to 59 patients at their homes. The smallpox cases in Masonboro township were officially reported, as were also 120 vaccinations that territory. Prisoners and others in all the county institutions were reported in healthful condition and all have been vaccinated.

Register of Deeds Biddle reported having issued twenty-nine marriage licenses and having paid into the treasury \$37.55 revenue therefrom.

The matter of building a bridge over Mott's creek, at Wrightsville, was referred to Capt. Barry, with instructions to prepare specifications and call for bids. Five bids, ranging in amount from \$49 to \$125, were in hand yesterday, but these were rejected, the others to be opened on February 15th.

The W. L. L. Appropriation.

Mr. Thos. E. Wright, Secretary and Treasurer of the Wilmington Light Infantry, appeared before the board at the meeting and inquired as to the payment of the regular \$300 appropriation to this organization from the county which is usually made in December. The act of the Legislature authorizing the board to levy a small tax to contribute \$500 to the Light Infantry each year was found to have expired in 1899 and the matter of payment of the usual \$300 was referred to the finance committee of the board. It is learned, however, that the tax was levied at the beginning of the fiscal year, and is therefore by this time in hand for payment. Although the act has expired it is thought there will be little question as to the payment of the usual amount.

The board adjourned, subject to call of the chairman.

THE ELEVENTH CENSUS.

The Superintendent of the Third District Here to Begin Preparations to Enumerate the Inhabitants of City.

According to act of Congress, a census of the United States will be taken, beginning on the 1st of next June. It will be the "Eleventh Census."

D. J. Lewis, Esq., superintendent of the Third Census District, composed of New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, Pender, Onslow, Bladen, Sampson, Craven, Carteret, Pamlico and Jones counties, was in the city yesterday to make the preliminary arrangements for taking the census in Wilmington. His first business will be to subdivide the various wards into census districts in order to facilitate the work. He will do this by to-morrow.

The enumeration of the people will be commenced June 1st and must be finished in thirty days, so that by July 1st the census takers will be ready to make up their reports.

HERRMANN THE GREAT.

A Treat in Store for Theatre-Goers Next Thursday Evening.

Of "Solaree," the bewitching dancer with "Herrmann, the Great," the world's famous prestidigitator, who appears at the Opera House next Thursday night, the *New York Journal* of a recent date said:

"Since La Lolie Fuller burst upon the theatrical horizon in a riot of colors and fantastic movement, there never has been a serpentine dancer that so completely carried away a theatre full of people as the young girl 'Solaree' did. In the first place, she has a remarkably pretty face and a perfect figure. In the next, her dancing is not only graceful, but is accomplished with the ease of absolute spontaneity. It is evidently no trouble to her to dance and keep the yards and arms of people as the young girl 'Solaree' did. In the first place, she has a remarkably pretty face and a perfect figure. In the next, her dancing is not only graceful, but is accomplished with the ease of absolute spontaneity. It is evidently no trouble to her to dance and keep the yards and arms of people as the young girl 'Solaree' did. In the first place, she has a remarkably pretty face and a perfect figure. 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