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OUTLINES.

The Shipping Subsidy bill was discussed in the Senate. Col. John E. Edge, an attorney, committed suicide at Douglasville, Ga. U. S. Circuit Judge Simonton heard argument on the motion to enjoin the N. Carolina Corporation Commission from reducing fertilizer rates on the Carolina Central. A general strike of employees of the underground railroad in Paris has been declared. The business part of Des Moines announced losses aggregating \$682,000. F. K. Vanderbilt's yacht is at Fernandina, Fla. New York Stock Exchange will be closed Saturday, the day of the funeral of Queen Victoria. Three of the murderers of Miss Jennie Bosschler at Pateron, N. J., sentenced to thirty years imprisonment; the fourth prisoner, fifteen years. An extra session of Congress is highly probable. N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 1 1/2%; cotton irregular and dull, middling uplands 12c; sugar more active and steadier, in sympathy with wheat, but without change. Wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red, 88c; corn—spot irregular, No. 2 49c; oats—spot dull, No. 2 30c; rosin quiet, spirits turpentine dull but steady at 40c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 29.
Temperature: 8 A. M., 31 degrees;
P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 51 de-
grees; minimum, 30 degrees; mean, 40
degrees.
Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall
for 1st of the month up to date, 2.12
inches.
Stage of water in the Cape Fear river
Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., 4.6 feet.
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—For North
Carolina—Cloudiness with rain Wed-
nesday; easterly winds, fresh to brisk
Thursday, rains probable.

Port Almanac—January 30.

Arises..... 7 02 A. M.
Sets..... 5 25 P. M.
Day's Length..... 10 H. 23 M.
High Water..... 8 24 A. M.
Low Water..... 5 54 P. M.

There is an undertaker in Arkan-
sas named Phil Graves. He fills
graves with neatness and decorum.

A Catholic directory, just issued,
gives the Catholic population of this
county at 10,774,987, an increase
of 645,112 during the past year.

According to some German wheat
grurers the world's crop for 1900 was
20,000,000 bushels short as com-
pared with the crop of 1899.

There isn't a shipyard in this
country which hasn't as much work
it can do, and yet the subsidy
bonuses say one of their objects is
to encourage the ship-building in-
dustry.

A woman's society in Oskosh,
Wis., proposes to make bachelors
pay for the luxury of living single,
and have had a bill introduced in
the Legislature taxing all over thirty
cents \$10 a year.

Farmer Smith, of Oglethorpe
county, Ga., can take a vacation for
few weeks, if he wants to. He
sold his last crop of 2,000 bales of
cotton the other day to an Atlanta
firm for \$100,000 cash.

Sir Wm. Martin Conway who has
been exploring in the Andes, says
that is the coming eldorado, and
that there fortunes there for the
lifer. He has been meandering in
those mountains for ten years.

After a "fierce fight," in which
American soldiers were engaged
on the 19th inst. in the island of
Ayte, the list of fatalities footed up
the American and "over one hun-
dred insurgents." A "jack rabbit"
laughter, so to speak.

Mr. Howe, Register of King's
county, N. Y., must be holding that
for fun. He refuses to accept
for his own use any of the fees, which
amount to over \$50,000, a year but
will spend the money in erecting a
statue to G. Washington on one of
the avenues in Brooklyn.

Peter Meitzler, of Lockhaven,
Pa., does not propose to entrust the
custody of his fame to pos-
sibility, but has had erected to him-
self a \$4,000 marble shaft with his
name surmounting it. Whether
there has ever been anything else
worth mentioning is not stated.

A New Jersey man who wanted to
list in the army was rejected be-
cause he weighed only 128 pounds.
He thereupon retired to bed, filled
with cinnamon buns for two days,
and back was weighed, struck the
2 pound notch, and was accepted.
The doctors want now is to
discover what was inside of the buns
that went into him. Maybe he
fed them with shot.

LOCAL DOTS.

The Fishplate Clothing Company

The Fishplate Clothing Com-
pany has an interesting announce-
ment to the public in the advertising de-
partment of the Star this morning.

Mary Hay, colored, was tried
in Mayor's court yesterday for
being drunk and disorderly and she
was sentenced to 30 days on the county
roads.

The Fayetteville Observer
announces that in the early spring
the A. C. L. will build a hand-
some new brick freight depot and cot-
ton platform in that city.

A correspondent of the STAR
at Haddock, Columbus county, writes
that the store of Wright & Co. was
broken open last Saturday night and
\$15.00 and \$100.00 in goods stolen.

The entertainment in the
lecture room of the First Baptist
Church to-night will no doubt be a
pronounced success. A regular supper
will be served from 6:30 o'clock until
the close of the entertainment at 11
o'clock.

The N. N. Society of Fifth
Street M. E. Church will give an en-
tertaining Thursday evening at the
Seventh B. F. Penny, 109 south
Seventh. A programme of music
and recitation has been arranged and
refreshments will be served.

Mr. E. A. Woodrow, formerly
of Wilmington but now of Savannah,
Ga., is reported by letter to be criti-
cally ill at her home in the last named
city. Her son, Mr. James Woodrow,
is private secretary to the General
Manager of the Plant System.

The steamer *Hurt*, which
cleared last evening for Fayetteville,
carried something over two hundred
cases of whiskey stinks for the dis-
pensary there, which will probably
contribute to the ardor of a very spir-
ited war now going on in that city be-
tween the advocates of the dispensary
and those favoring the old time
licensed bar room.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. J. Davis—Pure blooded eggs.
Munroe & Kelley—Parlor suites.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
Fishplate Clothing Co.—A third off.
J. G. Wright & Son.—Lot for sale.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Freight book.
For Sale—Steam tug *Buck*.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Col. W. J. Woodward went up
to Goldsboro last night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hanby
returned yesterday from Savannah,
Georgia.

Mr. F. C. Boylston, A. C. L.
agent at Jacksonville, Fla., was in the
city yesterday.

Miss Lewis, of Pennsylvania,
arrived last evening on a visit to her
sister, Mrs. P. Broadnax.

Capt. K. P. Murrill, conduc-
tor on the Charleston division of the
A. C. L., is visiting friends in the city.

Miss Mary Warren Cameron,
who is so popular in Wilmington,
arrived last evening from Raleigh and
is the guest of Miss Fannie Green.

Dr. C. P. Bolles, Jr., left last
night for Washington, D. C., in re-
sponse to a telegram stating that his
father, Mr. C. P. Bolles, is very ill.

Mr. Z. W. Whitehead left last
evening for Brunswick, Ga., to attend
the Maritime Congress, now in session
there, he having been named as dele-
gate to the meeting by Governor
Aycock.

Mr. F. L. Woodruff, who is
pleasantly remembered by a host of
friends in Wilmington, where he was
manager for a number of years of the
Bell Telephone Exchange, arrived yester-
day afternoon to spend a short time
in the city. He is now manager of the
Bell Telephone Exchange at Charles-
ton, S. C.

Funeral of an Infant.

The funeral of Ethel May, the in-
fant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F.
Wishart, was held yesterday after-
noon from the residence of the parents,
805 North Fourth street, by Rev. J.
N. Cole, pastor of Grace M. E. church.
The remains, accompanied by Mr.
Wishart, were carried to Maxton on
the Seaboard Air Line train for inter-
ment.

Valuable Property to Be Sold.

Attention is called to an advertise-
ment of J. G. Wright and Son in this
issue offering for sale the valuable lot
on the west side of North Front street
between the Cape Fear Club and S. A.
L. buildings. The property has a
frontage of 41 feet, with a depth 144
feet. Bids for the lot will be received
until February 4th.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly re-
quested to report promptly at the STAR
office every failure of the carriers to
deliver their papers. In all such cases
steps will be taken to insure prompt
and regular delivery.

THE SHEPARD SUIT

Still Attracting Much Attention in New Hanover Superior Court.

WITNESSES FOR DEFENDANT.

Case Will Likely Not Be Completed Until
Thursday Evening—Medical Experts
Testify as to Examination of
Plaintiff's Injuries.

It is most conservatively estimated
that at least two more entire days of
this week's term of the Superior Court
will be consumed in hearing the re-
maining testimony of witnesses and
arguments by counsel in the case of
Shepard vs. the railroad company, or,
in other words, that it will be impos-
sible for the jury to take the issues be-
fore Thursday afternoon.

Witnesses for the defendant were
heard yesterday, the most important of
whom were medical experts, who
testified from an examination of the
plaintiff yesterday morning, the nature
of his injuries at the present time,
and civil engineers, who submitted
blue prints of the track where the ac-
cident occurred. It was 6:30 P. M.
before an adjournment was taken for
the day. Much interest is being man-
ifested by the public in the progress
of the trial and the court room yester-
day was crowded throughout the day.

Henry Cobb, colored porter on the
train which it is alleged caused the
accident, was the first witness intro-
duced, and his testimony in substance
was that he was standing at the time
of the collision of locomotives and
buggy on a platform of one of the
coaches; he felt a sudden jerk, looked
out and saw the demolished buggy and
occupants of the same in the ditch. He
jumped off the train and assisted Mr.
and Mrs. Shepard to their feet. He
also testified that he was acting both in
the capacity of porter and flagman on
the train, and heard the whistle blow
and bell ringing, Julius
Drew, the colored Pullman porter,
testified to substantially the same as
to signals of warning; that he had
been an employee of the company for
years; that persons passing along the
county road could see the train from
the time it left the yards at Ninth
street until it passed the crossing
where the accident occurred; that
there was nothing to obstruct the
view; that the same conditions exist
now in this particular as at the time
of the accident.

Capt. J. H. McRee testified that he
is a civil engineer and being shown a
blue print of the tracks stated that
the distance from the whistle post to
the crossing is 1,272 feet; the distance
from the clearing post in the yards at
Ninth street is about 3,500 feet; that
the distance is 741 feet from turn in
Nixon street along which plaintiff
claimed to have driven on the day of
the accident at crossing; that the ex-
cavations along the line of railroad
were not over four feet from the sur-
face of ground to top of embankment;
that he has seen trains passing often
and one can see almost down to the
wheels of cars from the time the train
leaves the yard at Ninth street until
after passing the crossing; that he
stood at the crossing and observed out-
going trains, basing his statement
above upon this fact; that the condi-
tions have not changed and that there
are no natural obstructions.

Ex-Sheriff Walter G. MacRae, also
a civil engineer and an authority upon
such matters, testified substantially to
the same facts, saying that a man five
feet high standing at the crossing
could see the train approaching as far
as the yards at Ninth street.

Mr. S. P. Adams, a civil engineer
and connected with the Roadway De-
partment of the Atlantic Coast Line,
also testified as to the blue prints
offered in evidence and the general
conditions about the crossing.

Mr. H. J. Gerken testified as to
having visited the crossing after the
accident occurred and having wit-
nessed the outgoing of the southbound
train and having heard the usual sig-
nals of warnings; that he was accom-
panied by Messrs. B. H. Gwaltney,
Milton Elliott and S. R. Vick and they
were riding in a trap; that he got out
of the vehicle and standing upon the
ground could see the ap-
proaching train all the way from
the yard limit, and for some time
after it had passed the crossing; that
there was nothing to obstruct a clear
view of the train, except an embank-
ment which possibly hid one fourth of
the engine, and the cars could be seen
above the wheels; there were a few
"dog fennels" growing on the embank-
ment, but were simply stalks and did
not prevent a person from seeing
the train; upon cross examination, that
he went to the crossing at the solicita-
tion of Messrs. Vick and Elliott for
express purpose of seeing and hearing
what could be seen and heard; that
there were some box cars on side tracks
adjoining, but they were beyond the
main track on which the southbound
train passed, and that the train passed
on this side of the cars, clearly in view;
that the railroad company was having
the crossing repaired by laying some
planks when he visited the scene. Mr.
Gwaltney and Mr. Vick testified to the
same material facts, except as to by
whom they were employed, the last
named having stated his occupation as
an employee of the W. & W. Railroad
Company.

Mr. J. D. Kelley testified also along
the same lines; that he went out to
view the accident at the solicitation of
no one, this latter response having
been brought out on cross examina-
tion.

Mr. C. F. W. Bohler testified that
he was a florist by profession and had

REDRAFT OF CITY CHARTER.

Citizens Present to Discuss it Last Night, But the Aldermen Did Not Have a Quorum of Members.

There were probably half a hundred
or more citizens present at the City
Hall last night, at the suggestion of
Mayor Waddell and the city council,
to meet and discuss with the Board of
Aldermen the proposed new city
charter, but on account of the lack of
a quorum there was no meeting of the
Aldermen, and after the entertaining
by some of the Board that were present,
of a few random suggestions by one
or two citizens, an indefinite adjourn-
ment was had and it is presumed that
the redraft of the measure will go to
the Legislature for ratification in its
present form.

Aldermen present for the meeting
were Messrs. Littleton, West, MacRae
and Taylor; a constitutional number
for the transaction of business being
six.

Mayor Waddell stated that there
was not a quorum present, and de-
clared that there could be no meeting.
Messrs. MacRae and Taylor suggested
that as a good many citizens were
present, an informal meeting be held
and the views of citizens be ascer-
tained. This was at length decided
upon, but the "views of citizens," and
any great measure, were not forth-
coming.

Mr. W. H. Coleman, an employe
of the Robert Porter Brewing Company,
objected to the charter because it had
not been more generally circulated
among the people, and because a great
many had never seen it. City At-
torney Meares explained that the changes
from the old charter had been pub-
lished briefly in each of the three daily
papers in the city, but this statement
appeared not to have been satisfactory
to Mr. Coleman, and further discussion
was eliminated at length by adjourn-
ment.

Before adjournment, however, Mr.
Sol. Sternberger asked for the reading
and explanation of Clause 25 of Sec-
tion 41 of the new charter, which con-
fers upon the aldermen power "to pre-
scribe the number of licenses to retail
spirited liquors by a measure less
than a grant, which may be from time
to time quantified for use in said city."
After the reading Mr. Sternberger
made no objection and it was allowed
to pass.

BASKET BALL ASSOCIATION.

League Formed of Y. M. C. A. Teams Last Night and a Schedule of Twelve Games Has Been Arranged.

The organization of the league of
the Y. M. C. A. basket ball teams
was perfected last night by repre-
sentatives of the admirers of the
sport among the young men, business
men, A. C. L. employes and members
of Col. Walker Taylor's Boys' Brigade,
each of which class of the Association
membership has a well practiced
team. A series of twelve games will
be played on each Friday night at the
City Hall from the present week to
that including April 19th and the
proceeds of the series will be for the
benefit of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium
fund.

Messrs. Victor Zoeller & Co. have
donated a handsome silver cup to the
winning team in the contest and
already great rivalry has sprung up
between the several aggregations.

The schedule of games has been
arranged as follows:
February 1st—Young Men vs. Boys'
Brigade.
February 8th—Business Men vs. A. C. L.
February 15th—A. C. L. vs. Young
Men.
February 22nd—Business Men vs. Boys'
Brigade.
March 1st—Business Men vs. Young
Men.
March 8th—A. C. L. vs. Boys'
Brigade.
March 15th—A. C. L. vs. Young
Men.
March 22nd—Business Men vs. Boys'
Brigade.
March 29th—A. C. L. vs. Boys'
Brigade.
April 5th—Business Men vs. Young
Men.
April 12th—Young Men vs. Boys'
Brigade.
April 19th—Business Men vs. A. C. L.

The colors of the teams have been
selected as follows: Business Men,
orange and black; Young Men, white
and pink; A. C. L., red and black;
Boys' Brigade, orange and blue.

Officers will be chosen at a subse-
quent meeting.

GERMAN LAST NIGHT.

Regular Monthly Dance by L'Arisio Club. Many Visiting Ladies Present.

L'Arisio German Club's monthly
dance was given last night in the
Masonic Temple. Mr. Clayton Giles,
Jr., was the leader, and the music
was by the Hollowbush orchestra, of
Raleigh. The following couples par-
ticipated in the dance:

Miss Lucile Murkison, Mr. James
Stevenson; Miss Pitts, Mr. Clayton
Giles, Jr.; Miss May Pitts, Mr. S. M.
Boatwright; Miss Annie B. DeRosset,
Mr. Walter Williamson; Miss Bettie
DeRosset, Mr. Jack Bellamy; Mr. and
Mrs. W. B. Johnson; Miss Anna Peck,
Mr. W. V. Sullivan, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs.
J. E. Reinberg; Miss Lucy Latham,
Mr. C. McD. Davis; Miss Mary Treat
Peck, Dr. Asa Love; Miss Lucas, Mr. J.
H. Bunting; Miss Ida Randolph,
Mr. H. M. Chase; Miss Webber, Mr. W.
F. N. DeRosset; Judge and Mrs. W.
A. E. Hoke; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Car-
michael; Miss Sarah Kenan, Mr. J. T.
Munds; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. Geo.
P. James; Miss M. J. Bellamy, Mr. W. M.
Chiswell; Miss Lewis, Mr. B. M.
J. Bellamy; Miss Cammie Lord, Mr. R.
G. Rankin, Jr.; Miss Kate Harlow,
Mr. E. H. Gwaltney; Miss Mary Cal-
der, Mr. W. C. Crow; Mr. and Mrs.
O. E. Taylor, Jr.; Miss Francis Chad-

THE POLL TAX PREREQUISITE.

Measure Need Not Disturb Voters in the Coming Municipal Election.

The white men of Wilmington who
have not paid their city poll-tax need
not fear that they will be deprived of
the privilege of voting by that provi-
sion of the proposed city charter which
would disqualify them as electors in
the coming municipal election unless
that tax is paid prior to the election.
It is manifestly unnecessary to
pay the poll-tax if it were constitu-
tional, and the payment of the poll-tax
could be made a prerequisite to voting
it would practically amount to nothing
in the coming election; for it is certain
that no such requirement can apply to
the primary to be held before the election,
and every white Democrat can vote
in the primary whether his poll-tax
has been paid or not. The primary
virtually means the election; the latter
being simply a ratification of the
choice of the people in the primary.
Having voted in the primary, it is a
matter of no consequence whether
those who have not paid the poll-tax
vote in the regular election or not.

THE SEASHORE HOTEL.

Contract Let for Improvements to Cost Between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

WORK TO BEGIN AT ONCE.

Building Will Mean Much to Wrightsville
Beach During the Coming Sea-
son—A Hall for Conventions
and Large Gatherings.

The stockholders of the Wright-
ville Beach Hotel Company have
given the contract for the improve-
ments to the Seashore Hotel at
Wrightsville Beach, to Contractor F.
A. Applegate, and he will begin at
once, and will have the work com-
pleted by the first of May. The com-
pleted improvements to the hotel
have been referred to in the STAR on
previous occasions, but it will now be
a source of gratitude to all Wilming-
tonians, as well as people throughout
this and adjoining States, who spend
some time each season at this popular
beach, to know that the coming season
will find one of the best Summer re-
sort hotels at Wrightsville Beach that can
be found anywhere. The improvements
will cost at least \$8,000 or \$10,000, and
it will be a modern hostelry in every
particular.

An annex as large as the present
building will be built at the north
end of the old hotel, and will run
lengthwise. It will be three stories
high, and will also have a basement,
in which will be forty bath rooms for
ladies, and each room will have sep-
arate sprinklers. In the basement will
also be the laundry and refrigerators.

The first floor will be taken up with
a handsome ball room, 40x50 feet, and
a new kitchen, 35x40 feet. The ball
room will be suitably adapted to large
conventions such as are expected to be
brought here every season. On the
second floor will be bedrooms and
ladies' and gentlemen's baths and
toilets. The third floor will be taken
up with bed-rooms exclusively. The
annex will contain 40 bed-rooms,
which, added to the old building, will
make a total capacity of 110 bed-
rooms. An observatory fifty feet
from the ground will be erected from
the centre of the building. The old
kitchen will be used as a children's
dining room. Broad passages will
run the length of each floor of the
annex.

Mr. Joe H. Hinton, who made such
a big success of the Seashore Hotel
last season, will again have it in
charge this Summer. This fact alone
will be a big drawing card, especially
among travelling men, as Mr. Hinton
is very popular with them and they
always delight in being his guests.
Mr. Hinton, in conversation with a
STAR reporter yesterday, said he ex-
pected to have the hotel open not
later than June 1st and he will exert
every effort to make the coming sea-
son the most successful in the history
of Wrightsville Beach. He also said
that he would engage a first class band
for the entire season.

NEW HANOVER'S POPULATION.

Detailed Statistics Made Public in Wash- ington Yesterday—Figures by Wards and Townships.

[Special Star Telegram.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 29.—
The detailed statistics of the popula-
tion of Wilmington and New Hanover
county is made public to-day. It
shows figures of population as follows
for the census of last year and that
of the year 1890:

1900	1890	
New Hanover county.....	25,785	24,026
Cape Fear Township.....	1,212	1,166
Federal Point Township.....	584	440
Harnett Township (in- cluding Wrightsville Beach Town).....	2,383	734
Wrightsville Beach Town.....	22	—
Masonboro Township.....	670	680
Wilmington Township (coextensive with Wil- mington City).....	20,976	20,056

The population of the several wards
of the city is given as follows for 1900:
First Ward.....7,948
Second Ward.....1,869
Third Ward.....2,571
Fourth Ward.....2,275
Fifth Ward.....6,318

MUNROE & KELLY,

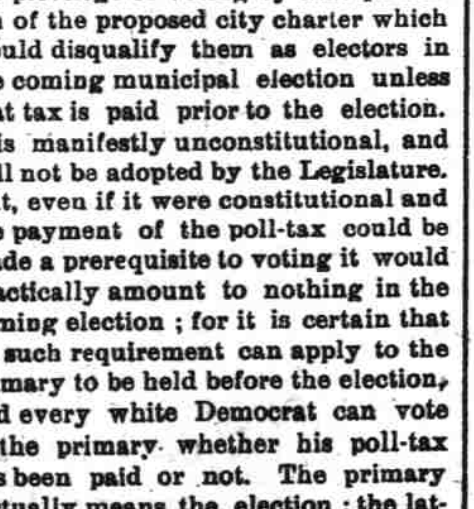
No. 17 South Front Street,
Bell Phone 112.

Press Boy Wanted.

A boy who has had some
experience in running Job
Presses, and who must be
a resident of Wilmington,
is wanted at the

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PURE BLOODED EGGS.

Those who want good stock can
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Buff Orpingtons, Barred Plymouth Rocks, Brown
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