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LOCAL DOTS.

passed out at Southport at 10 A. M.

yesterday.

by Thursday.

county to-day.

ning March 18th.

J. He will accept.

yet asked for it.

Hintze.

in March.

at Bermuda yesterday.

- The schooner Mary T. Quinby

-Iredell Meares, Esq., left Sunday

- The British steamship Cairn-

more, Huelva to Wilmington, arrived

- Rev. J. W. Paxton spoke in-

- Judge Bryan left vesterday for

Newbern where he will open the East-

ern District Criminal Court for Craven

- The visit of the Una Clayton

Company to the Opera House here

has been deferred to the week begin-

- Rev. D. H. Tuttle, of Kinston,

will assist Rev. John H. Hall in a

series of revival meetings at Fifth

- The First Baptist Church of

Goldsboro has extended a call to

the Rev. Charles A. Jenkins, of Bris-

tol, Tenn., late of New Brunswick, N.

- Fayetteville now has telephonic

communication with Raleigh and all

other points on the Raleigh system.

Wilmington has not because she hasn't

- Mr. John H. Hintze, the very

clever young dealer in meats, etc., at

Front street market, has formed a co

partnership with Mr. I. B. Rhodes

under the firm name of Rhodes &

- The Rev. Dr. Bomar, of Rich-

mond, assistant secretary of Foreign

Missicns, Southern Baptist Conven-

tion, is expected to preach at the First

Baptist Church on the second Sunday

- The alarm of fire from box 51

at 9:27 o'clock last night was on ac-

count of a small blaze started from

chimney sparks at the dwelling occu-

pied by D. R. Williams, No. 419 Wil

son street. The damage will not ex-

BUILDING NEW STEAMBOAT.

Capt. Ellis Sherman Constructing at Point

Caswell for Wilmington Trade.

Capt. Ellis Sherman, the well known

master and owner of the steamer W.

T. Daggett, is having another boat

built at Point Caswell, which will be

completed and in operation between

Wilmington and Town Creek in a

week or two. It is 80 feet long by 16

feet wide and will be one of the largest

Capt. Sherman expects to bring it

down to the home port and put in its

machinery, which arrived yesterday.

Fannie Williams, colored, was cu

by Bertha Gause, also colored, in a

row in "Pattie's Hollow" at 930

o'clock last night and both women

were arrested by Officer J. J. Moore.

The Williams woman received a two-

inch gash on her right cheek and a

slight stab in the left temple, but

neither wound is considered serious

The weapon used was a pocket knife.

She was sent to her home, and the

woman who did the cutting was lock

ed up. The fight grew out of a pro

Owing to the inclement weather

and fatigue on account of his long

and tedious travel on the day previ

ous, the Rev. J. M. Wells, the new

pastor of the First Presbyterian

Church, did not preach to his congre-

gation on Sunday morning, as was

expected, but at night he preached an

excellent sermon, which was listened

to with marked attention and interest

by a congregation which was large

for the extreme weather conditions

Mrs. Sidney J. Smith and child.

accompanied by a maid, arrived yes

terday morning from New York and

went down to "Airlee," where they

are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke

Jones. Mr. Harry Lehr, Mr. and

Mrs. C. M. Shields, Colonel and Mrs.

Wm. Jay, and Mrs. Herman Oelrichs

returned to New York Sunday night.

The party at "Airlee" now consists of

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.

Norman Whitehouse and Mr. and

The following property transfers

were recorded at the Court House yes-

terday: Junius Davis, receiver to

Thos. H. Wright, property 66x72 feet

on Sixth street between Church and

Castle; consideration \$900. Chas H.

Casteen to Samuel Blossom, one acre

Cape Fear township; consideration

The one story frame dwelling, cor-

ner Front and Castle streets, owned

and occupied by Miss Mary Rhew, was

totally consumed by fire Sunday about

noon, entailing considerable loss on

the furniture and about \$600 on the

building, the last named loss having

been covered by insurance with Col.

Walker Taylor. The department re-

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

People's Savings Bank-Attention

sponded to an alarm from box 45.

A. D. Brown-New silks.

The Worth Co.-Mora salt.

of its class of steamers on the river.

Slashed With a Knife.

tracted quarrel.

His Inaugural Sermon.

prevailing at the time.

Guests at "Airlee."

Mrs. Jones.

Transfers of Real Estate.

The Fire Sunday.

Street M. E. Church in April.

terestingly of the work in China at

Grace M. E. Church on Sunday even-

for Raleigh. He expects to be back

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 25. Temperatures: 8 A. M., 26 degrees P. M., 40 degrees; maximum, 47 de rees; minimum, 23 degrees; mean, 34

recipitation for the day, .00; rainfall nce 1st of the month up to date, 4 1

FORECAST FOR TO DAY. WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 -For North rolins-Fair in western, rain in stern portion Tuesday. Wednesday obably fair; fresh east to northeast

Port Almanac ... February 26.

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A \$10,000,000 tin can Trust is one the latest. It expects to do a aying canning business.

Admiral Dewey's doctor will not et him attend public dinners. The Admiral never did entirely recover from that Georgia layout.

What is remarkable about it is that Mrs. Nation, of the hatchet roclivities is a native of Kentucky. another proof that she is mentally

Senator Fuster, of Washington, isn't much on a speech, but he is the best laugher in the Senate. They say that no blues can stay within a hundred yards of that laugh. It would be a good thing for the country and the Senate, if

with more laugh and less speech. The New Orleans Picayune mentions the fact that arrangements have been made for the establishment of a mill for the manufacture of paper out of the cane after the sugar has been crushed out of it, and hinks this the beginning of what will grow into a great industry. If sugar cane, why not corn stalks?

more of its members were gifted

The committee appointed by the U. S. Senato investigate the pure good question reports that there has been a great reform and that very little food is now adulterated. This is different from the reports we get for this State, which state rter that about 75 per cent. of the stuff hat comes into this State is.

> The Atlanta News urges that city o construct a canal to the Chatta-100chee river, which would give it a water way to the Gulf of Mexico, and leave it less in the power of the railroads than it is now. It says the work could be done for \$2,000,000 and would pay for itself in a few

A Washington dispatch says this Government has succeeded in geting the foreign Powers in China to agree that there shall be no further emands for concessions unless by of land on the Holly Shelter Road i nternational consent, which if carned out will prevent the partition of China, unless all the foreign powers go into the grab business and agree

Years ago a 1 ine farmer got tired shaving a necluded to let his beard grow. It grew until it attained a length of ten feet. Then he got tired answering questions about it, grabbed a pair of scissors the other day, cut it off and rammed it into the stove and cooked his dinner with it. And thus the crop of thirty years went up in smoke. If he had thought about it he might have sold that crop for \$2.50.

THE MORNING STAR.

WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1901.

ABOUT THE PILOTAGE

The Shippers Again Present Their Side of Case Through Prominent Representative.

IT A SUBSIDY SCHEME?

So the System is Said to Be by a Correspondent of This Paper, Who Presents Argument Along This Line-The Norfolk Rates.

The following communication from Mr. R. A. Parsley, of the Hilton Lum ber Company, bearing upon the matter of compulsory pilotage, a bill affecting which is now before the Legis lrture, will be read with interest be those acquainted with shipping at this port and who have read in these columns for the past few days the contentions in the premises by advocates and opponents of the proposed modification of the act governing the business as carried on here:

Mr. Rouatree's bill for the modification of the Cape Fear Pilotage Laws should receive the full endorsement of the people of Wilmington, especially those who are actively engaged or in terested in the city's commercial advancement. It is not proposed to repeal the compulsory section of the pilotage laws but merely to modify Section 3 496 so as to exempt from the necessity of taking or paying for a pilot only such sailing vessels or parges as may be in tow of a tug. The people, through the U.S. Government, have spent barrels of money in straightening, deepening, and marking the channels leading up to Wilmington, and these channels are now in such shape and so clearly defined that any master of a twelve to fifteen foot draft vessel can easily bring his craft to Wilmington without dan ger of going aground. Many of the coasting vessel masters, that have traded here for years, are quite as familiar with the channels as the pilots are, and it may be said to be unreasonable to require these vessels to take pilots at all, and iniquitous to do so when said vessels or barges are in tow of tugs, which necessarily carry competent pilots. Any seaman that is competent to take a vessel to sea certainly competent to steer her in

the wake of a tug. The advocates of Mr. Rountree's amendment do not ask that all vessels entering Cape Fear be exempt from pilotage fees, nor do they wish to disparage the excellent motives that have always prompted the passage and enforcement of Compulsory Pilotage laws. Neither do they presume o criticise their sanction by the highest tribunals of the land, in one or more cases. These pilotage laws, however, like many other good laws, have outlived their usefulness in many respects, and become breeders of and cloaks for abuses which the people should no longer approve.

The Cape Fear pilots, or a number of them, not satisfied with the stringent laws that surround and guard their interests, have resolved themselves into a tow boat company that is safely intrenched behind the compul sory pilotage laws, and brazenly defiant of any opposition or competition that might arise. From information believed to be entirely reliable, am informed that there are forty four pilots-all members of the Pilotage Association. Fifteen of them constitute the tow boat company, owning two tugs, one of which does all the towing. the other being laid up for emergency purposes. The other twenty-nine pilots, not owners in the boats, pay one-third of their pilotage fees to the towing company, for the privilege of boarding vessels from the tugs, and for the further privilege of not being run out of the pilotage business by the fifteen pilots that own the tugs. Thus, the two tugs are subsidized to an amount believed to oe equal to their operating expenses and can, therefore, tow for nothing and live in event of a competitive tug. The towing company is thus enabled, so long as the present pilotage laws stand, to charge rates that far exceed the charge for similar service at other ports. To illustrate this fact, the towage charge for a 500 ton barque from the Chesapeake Capes to Norfolk and back to sea is \$75.00; from Cape Fear to Wilmington and back to sea \$125.00. A 380 ton schooner from Tybee to Savannah and back to sea pays \$40 00: from Cape Fear back to Wilmington and back to sea, she pays \$72 20 (Wilmington, Norfolk, and Savannah are shown because the distances from the sea are practically the same) In addition to above towage received by the Cape Fear tugs, they also receive one

third of the fees paid to the pilot for By reason of the pilotage laws, as they now exist, Wilmington has be come notorious as the most expensive port on the Atlantic coast and vessel masters hesitate to charter here until their port charges have been guaranteed, in one way or another, by

charterers.

We cannot prosper commercially under these conditions and it up to the business community to shake off the burden. A State law that subsidizes, or permits of subsidization, is as vicious as Mr. Hanna's Ship Subsidy bill, now before the United States Congress, and should not receive countenance. I am informed that the pilots have circulated and received numerous signatures to a petition in opposition to the proposed modification. Without presuming to say that one citizen's signature is not as good as another's, I am free to say that many of the signatures to this pe tition were affixed without full knowl edge of the facts, and purely from sympathy and regard for a body of men engaged in a hazardous and meritorious vocation. But when this vo- P. Cowan Livery Company. Though Boys' Brigade-W. R. Dosher (capbecomes the means of creating and fostering a commercial monopoly and public abuse under cover of the law. it renounces its claim to sympathetic

endorsement and is justly entitled to reasonable regulation at the hands of

reasonable regulation the State Legislature.
Respectfully,
R. A. PARSLEY.

The Second Advent Bell.

The committee appointed some time since to purchase a bell for the Second Advent Church of this city, has succeeded in raising nearly the whole amount of money needed. The committee is in correspondence with several well known bell manufacturers as to prices, etc., and it is expected that the bell will be in the tower in less than 30 days.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Special Meeting Called for This Afternoon to Consider Matters of Legislation Now Pending.

A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in its rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building, for the purpose of considering certain provisions of the new revenue act, now pending in the Legislature, which are believed to be a detriment to the business interests of the city, and for the purpose of considering any other matters of legislation that may be suggested to the body. All citizens interested in the matters proposed will be cordially welcomed, the STAR is authorized to say, whether they are members of the Chamber or not.

One of the measures, other than the

revenue bill, which is likely to be considered, is a revival of the proposi tion in the Legislature by certain persons, to make the revenue accruing to the school fund from the liquor traffic payable into the State treasury and then disbursed in common to the various counties without regard to the amount of the fund that arises from said counties. Such a system would hazard the length of terms and efficiency of New Hanover schools and would even more seriously affect the city graded schools in this particular. The proposed measure as heard by the Legislative committee was published in these columns sev

eral days ago. Another item of legislation that may come up and afford a subject for lively discussion is the matter of the compulsory pilotage law, which is just now exciting much comment in shipping circles, and both sides of which have been presented in these columns from day to day for the past week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Interdenominational Meeting at Y. M. C A. To-night Will Be Interesting and Instructive-The Programme.

The Executive Committee of the International Sunday School Conference has worked faithfully to make the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. tonight the most interesting and instructive of the series yet held in this great The exercises will begin promptly

at 8 o'clock and Prof. Washington Catlett, the president, will preside. Miss Elizabeth D. Burt will act as organist during the evening and an excellent programme of music will be rendered. The following is the order in which the exercises will be ob served:

Opening song by the audience: "Oa ward Christian Soldiers. Prayer by the Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells. Explanatory remarks by the presi-

Solo (selected) by Mrs. W. L. Latta Reports by Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell and Mr. P. Heinsberger, delegates to the 18th annual convention of the N. C. Sunday School Convention at High Point Feb. 20th-22nd.

General discussion by members of various Sunday schools. Solo (selected) by Miss Lilian Dean Cald well. Closing prayer by the Rev. J. J

It is expected that every Sunday School in the city will be represented either by its pastor or superintendent, or both, to take part in the general discussion on method and means of work in their respective spheres. All other officers and teachers in the Sunday School as well as the public generally are cordially invited to be present. Schools especially will find it to their

Parents of children in the Sunday interest to hear the remarks by the various speakers during the evening.

ARRIVED FROM NORFOLK.

Negro Who is Responsible for More Than One Burglary Now in Wilmington's Station House.

The STAR Sunday morning told of the arrest and indentification at Norfolk, Va., of George Nash, alias Julius Culley, the negro, who several days ago burglarized the jewelry establish ment of Mr. George Honnett and whose method of operation made strong the suspicion that he was responsible for several other burglaries that took place previously. Capt. Robert Green arrived with the prisoner Sunday night and he is now locked up at the police station house for a him to-day. Mr. Honnett, who accompanied Capt. Green to Norfolk to identify the property, also returned Sunday night.

The negro was very soon recognized by Capt. Green, when he arrived at Norfolk, as an escaped convict from the work house here, he having been sentenced to four months' labor at the last term of the Criminal Court for the larceny of a lap robe from the S. Gore and C. S. Hopkins. protests his innocence of the burg lary, saying that the goods were procured by him from a Norfolk negro. who purchased them in New York, Capt. Green is quite sure that the police will be able to make out a clear

case against him. Capt. Green speaks in highest terms of Norfolk's chief of police and the capable detective force there, who showed him every courtesy, making his visit very pleasant indeed.

Death of a Little Boy.

Lawrence Lane Leslie, the seven months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claud A. Leslie, died at 7 o'clock yesterday morning at 809 Walnut street. The morning from the residence, with interment in Bellevue cemetery.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Committee Decide to Report Unfavorably Fayetteville's Anti-Dispensary Bill.

CAPE FEAR PILOTAGE BILL

Senator Morton Introduced a Bill That Street Improvement Pands in Wilmisgton Be Expended in Wards in Proportion to Taxes Paid.

[Special Star Telegram.] RALEIGH, N. C., February 25 .- The Senate passed a bill to incorporate the State's prison and provide a government, with amendments; by Brown, that all suits against the prison be construed as against the State; by Lindsay, that the five directors shall not be eligible to any other office, and, by Gudger, that no real estate can be sold by the board except by unanimous vote and consent of the Governor.

Other bills passed final reading Relative to the stock law in Chatham; to allow Edenton to issue bonds.

Bills introduced: By Morton, to amend Laws of 1893 regarding Big Bridge ferry, New Hanover county; to appoint justices of the peace for Brunswick county. By Woodard, to amend the charter of Wilmington. By Gudger, to protect pupils of public and private schools from contagious and infectious diseases. By Bray, to make the west side of Currituck sound a lawful fence. By Foushee, to fix the pay of members of the court of impeachment at \$4.00 per day. This last bill is in view of the fact that the trial will be after the regular session. The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee. A large number of members express themselves as opposed to vot ing pay for the the time consumed in the trial.

There was a long discussion in the House over the bill to provide for and appropriate \$1,500 instead of \$1000, for clerk hire, in the office of the commissioner of insurance. It resulted in the adoption of an amendment making an appropriation of \$1,250, and the bill passed its final reading. Bill to allow the Seaboard Air Line to consolidate with other companies except the Southern or Atlantic Coast Line was discussed at length and re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bills introduced: By Zachary, to discharge drunken solicitors, By Simms, to incorporate the Raleigh and Cape Fear railroad. By Bannerman, to allow divorced persons to re-marry Fayetteville Dispensary.

The joint committee on Propositions and Grievances is in session to night to hear discussion of opposing delegations from Fayetteville on the Cumberland county dispensary. The hall is crowded. Senator McNeill, at eleven o'clock, is making a speech against the dispensary and in favor of submitting the question to a vote of the people. The fight is the hardest yet had before any committee. Judging from the enthusiasm aroused by McNeill Antidispensary will be victorious. The contention - is apparently sustained that there is fifty per cent. more crime now than before the dispensary was

The joint committee at 11:30 o'clock to-right decided-vote ten to elevento report the Fayetteville Anti-dis pensary bill unfavorably. The opposition is led by Broughton and Judge Graham. A fight will be made to pass the bill despite the unfavorable report. It is reasonably certain that it will

pass the Senate. The Cape Fear pilotage bill is set for hearing before the House committee Thursday at 4 P. M.

Mr. Morton introduced a bill to-day to provide that street improvement funds in Wilmington be expended in wards in proportion to the taxes paid. The joint Committee on Education completed preparation of the bill for a general school law to night. It will be printed to morrow. It is a little different from the old law. The powers of county superintendents are enlarged, and changes are principally along lines suggested by the Teachers'

PLAYED A CLOSE GAME.

Young Men and Boys' Brigade Teams Me in Basket Ball Contest.

Assembly.

The Young Men's and Boy's Brigade basket ball teams played a very close and exciting game in the City Hall hearing which will probably be given last night which was witnessed by very large crowd. The score at the end of the second half stood 19 to 19. The tie was played off and the result was a victory for the young men, the score being 25 to 22. The teams were evenly matched and it was anybody's game until the last whistle blew. The following is the line up of the teams:

Young Men-E. Y. Davis (captain), J. L. Davis, Norcum Sweeney, Earl

sain), A. L. Dosher, O. Loughlin and Wm. Peck. Officials-Referee, N. M. Wetzel umpires, W. W. Turner and C. W. Durant; scorer, W. A. Little; time-

keeper, John Frank. An egg race at the conclusion of the game was a very amusing and enjoyable sight. The race was won by Frank Irving, with Wm. Peck second. There were a half dozen entries. Each young man was given a spoon with an egg in it and the first one to run

across the hall and back to the start-

- The schooner John R. Fell, funeral will be held at 11 o'clock this Capt. Loveland, arrived yesterday from New York with a cargo of salt consigned to Mr. R. N. Sweet.

was declared the winner.

NOBLE CHARITY BY

WILMINGTON ELKS. Ministered to Wants of Many Suffering

from Severity of the Snow Storm. Merited Letter of Praise. Hundreds of poverty stricken homes

rendered cheerful and comfortable when otherwise they would have been desolate and cold during the severe snow storm, from under the ban of which Wilmington is just now emerging, attest the unstinted charity and beneficence of the Benevolent Protec tive Order of Elks, which has many loyal and representative members in Lodge No. 532, of this city.

The following letter from the presi dent and secretary of the Associated Charities to Mr. H. J. Gerken, Exalted Ruler of Wilmington Lodge, who is personally worthy of much praise for his activity in the movement, expresses the sentiment of everybody who has knowledge of the very noble charity performed by the Elks, individually and collectively, during the very severe period of weather through which the city has

Mr. Henry J. Gerken, Exalted Ruler, Wilmington Lodge No. 532, Elks: SIR-The Associated Charities and many of their beneficiaries and others not on our roll are under renewed ob ligations to the noble order of Elks for distribution of a large quantity of dry pine wood among our most needs poor during the recent snow. The unsolicited, prompt and personal su pervision of this work during Saturday and Sunday by young men of your order lent to your charity an added besuty. Oa behalf of the benefitted and warmed, we thank the Elks. Yours, in labors of love,

CALVIN S. BLACKWELL, President. MISS CARRIE L. PRICE, Secretary. During Sunday, when the suffering would have been most intense, 59 loads of wood were delivered in every section of the city where it was needed. and during yesterday 65 additional loads were delivered, each cart having been accompanied on its mission of mercy by an Elk in person to see that the charity was worthily bestowed. At many places it was found that pro visions were needed in addition to fuel and this, too, was furnished in each and every instance by the Elks through Exalted Ruler Gerken.

In one destitute home a bereaved woman with the corpse of her infant were found in abject poverty with no one to furnish even so much as a burial for the dead child. An undertaker was summoned and the child today will be buried at the expense of the Elks. Many other cases of misery were recited by Mr. Gerken, with whom a reporter talked yesterday afternoon, and indeed the work of the Elks upon this occasion may be called unparalleled in the history of secret orders in the city.

DIED FROM HER INJURIES.

Miss Eliza Ganey Slipped on the Ice and Broke Her Thigh.

Miss. Eliza Ganey, an aged housekeeper, who resided with Mrs. C. E. Stevenson, corner Fifth and Nun streets, died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the City Hospital from the affects of injuries received from a fall Saturday afternoon. Miss Ganey was sweeping the snow from a piazza when she slipped and fell. Her thigh was badly fractured and she also received internal injuries. She was taken to the Hospital Suaday but she never fully regained consciousness.

Miss Ganey was 65 years old and the shock was the immediate cause of her death. She was attended by Drs. J. C. Shepard and Andrew Harriss. She has numerous friends in Wilmington who will be pained to learn of ner untimely demise. Arrangements

AFTERMATH OF THE SNOW.

Melted Past Yesterday and Showed

have been for her funeral to-day.

Many Leaks in Building Roofs. With the passing of another day Wilmington will probably have seen the last of its rather unexpected and

severe snow storm of Saturday. In

places exposed to the sun, it melted rapidly yesterday and with a continused comparatively warm atmosphere all traces of the nine-inch fall will likely have been lost to-night, unless the conditional prediction by the Weather Burerau, qualified by the word "probably," comes true to day and the city is covered with a new mantle of whiteness. The really disagreeable feature of the storm came vesterday in the slush upon the streets and leaky roofs which never fail to make themselves known to landlord and tenant after a fall like that of Saturday. However, no serieus damage by reason of leaks was reported yesterday.

Struck With a Piece of Iron.

Herbert King, who lives on Queen struck upon the head by John Lyttle about \$150, with insurance. with a piece of iron at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the scalp was laid open to the skull. Both young men are employed at the works of the American Textile Coloring Company, at Surry and Queen streets, and it was there that the difficulty occurred. There seems to have been bad feeling between them for some time. Young King was sent to his home, where his wound was dressed by a physician. Although his injuries are very painful they are not considered dangerous. Lyttle skipped out soon after he had ing point without dropping the egg dealt the blow and has not been arrested.

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MUTUAL FIDELITY COMPANY.

Messrs. Harriss and Wright Not Pleased With Result of Richmond Visit.

Messrs. George Harriss and Thos. H. Wright, who went to Richmond Saturday night to confer with General Manager J. E. Jordan and Secretary J. S. Munsell, of the Mutual Fidelity Company, relative to the transfer of about \$7,000 in "diamond contracts" held by Wilmington people in he concern, returned yesterday morning and advise a suspension of weekly payments by contract holders and Mr. Harriss, in conversation with a STAR representative yesterday afternoon, said that a number of those interested had employed Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy to institute criminal proceedings against the officers of the

company.

They did not see General Manager Jordan at Richmond, whom Mr. Munsell said was very busy, and their conference with Mr. Munsell himself was far from satisfactory, so they say. When asked which of the officers would be included in a possible criminal indictment and when the case would likely be tried, Mr. Harriss stated that the proposed warrants would include all the officers with whom the Wilmington people had dealings and also the slick tongued solicitor who wrote the contracts in Wilmington, and that if possible the contemplated trial would be here. Mr. Wright has resigned the treasurership of the concern here.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

- Miss Katie McLaurin is visiting in Richmond. - Prof. M. C. S. Nobles returned

to the University yesterday. - Mr. Don J. McInnerney has returned to Rocky Mount after

visiting friends in the city. - Mrs. W. H. Newell, of Norfolk, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. S. olden, returned home yesterday. - Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lyon, of

Failadelphia, are here on a visit to Mr. Lyon's sister, Mrs. S. Solomon. - Mr. S. F. Craig, secretary of the Cape Fear Pilots' Association, ha gone to Raleigh to look after the interests of his organization.

Cooking Range Exploded.

An inexplicable explosion of a range in which coal was the fuel used, took place in the kitchen of the residence of Mr. W. N. Harriss, No. 118 North Third street, Sunday morning about 10:30 o'clock. The range was blown almost to atoms, crockery and earthenware were smashed and some damage by concussion was done in the way of cracking plastering even in rooms upstairs in the residence. The cook and house girl were in the room at the time, but miraculously escaped injury. Mr. Harriss and little son. Marion, extinguished the flames as a result of the explosion, by shovelling snow from a back piazza, though the Chemical Engine Co. responded to a street between Front and Second, was | telephone alarm. The damage is

Sunday Liquor Selling.

By request of attorneys on both sides, the cases against Paul Young and J. E. Hinnant, charged with Sunday liquor selling, were continued in the municipal court by Mayor pro tem. Springer yesterday until next Thursday, both defendants having executed new bonds for their appear ance at that time. The city was represented in the absence of Attorney Meares by Robert Ruark, Esq., and the defendants by Herbert Mo-Clammy and William J. Bellamy, Kaqr's.

- The schooner Penobscott, which is well remembered here, has recently put in at Norfolk twice in distress.

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