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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The President has nominated Richmond Pearson for U. S. consul at Genoa, and Rev. A. Pruden to be chaplain in the army. —— Senators Tillman and McLaurin, of South Carolina, aired their differences yesterday in the Senate. ——Dr. Carr, medical expert, was on the witness stand in the Bonine trial yesterday. ——At Decatur, Miss., the county safe was robbed of money and valuable papers. —— Postoffice at Smyrna, Ga., robbed; the safe was blown open. ——Senator Hoar introduced a bill giving the United States jurisdiction in cases of lynching and making the penalty for participation death. —— H. J. Fleishman, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants' Bank of Los Angeles, Cal., has disappeared with $100,000 of the bank's money. ——A new ship subsidy bill introduced in the Senate by Frye. —— A treaty with Nicaragua has been arranged by which a lease of territory to the United States is made for the Nicaragua canal. ——The committee of citizens at Elizabeth City, N. C., reported at a mass meeting that they had a tangible clue to the disappearance of Miss Nellie Cropsey. ——— Yesterday's New York markets: Money on call firm at 5@7 per cent., the last loan at 5 ½ per cent.; cotton quiet at 8⅛c; flour fairly active and stronger; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red 89⅞c.; corn—spot easy, No. 2 73½c.; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 9.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 58 degrees; 3 P. M., 63 degrees; maximum, 67 degrees; minimum, 51 degrees; mean, 59 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .05; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 2.21 inches.

STORM WARNING.

The southwest signals were ordered up at 2:45 P. M., at coast points from Charleston to Norfolk. A storm was central in Eastern Tennessee, moving northeast and increasing in intensity.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—For North Carolina: Fair and much colder Tuesday. Wednesday, fair and colder; brisk westerly winds.

Port Almanac—December 10.

Sun Rises	6.57 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 49 M.
High Water at Southport.	5 29 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	7.59 P. M

Berlin consumes $3,500,000 goose meat every year. Perhaps this may account for some of the goose tariff gabble they indulge in over them.

The Pennsylvania railroad is putting on style. It proposes to have 400 new locomotives next year and to expend $50,000,000 in new equipment and in brushing up.

A movement is on foot in Texas to start a home fire insurance company with a capital of six or seven million dollars, run with Texas money and by Texans. And that's what every Southern State should do.

A Chicago animal inspector thinks Chicago got a lot of smallpox in a consignment of hogs shipped from St. Louis. Chicago is so much prejudiced against St. Louis that it objects to almost everything that comes from that town.

When young lovers make up their minds to get married the old folks may as well surrender, for there will be an elopement or something else. In Maine the other day Joseph Felton, aged 86, and Miss Caroline Griscom, aged 82, quietly slipped off and got married without saying a word to the old folks about it.

It is said that the Senators in Washington are somewhat perplexed as to how they will place Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, as they are not sure whether he is a Democrat or a Republican. Nothing strange in that, for he doesn't know himself. He calls himself a Democrat and performs like a Republican.

Boston now claims to be not only the leading bean burg of the country, but the champion stamp consumer. Her people spent $6 per capita for stamps last year, against $3 per capita for New Yorkers and $2.87 the city of brotherly lovers. Can there be some mystic connection between beans and stamps.

This Government is becoming a pretty expensive institution. Secretary Gage figures out the expense of running it for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, at $610,829,688. This is for the regular appropriations and does not include special or incidental appropriations. But then, as Tom Reed used to remark, "this is a billion dollar country."

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy

LOCAL DOTS.

— Betsy Mills, colored, was sent to the county roads yesterday for ten days for assault and battery.

— Schooner *Emily F. Northam*, Wilmington to Stamford, passed out at Southport at 8 A. M. yesterday.

— The Piano Club will meet tomorrow (Wednesday) night at 8 o'clock at Ludden & Bates' music store, on Princess street.

— The open air bicyclist performers who were drawing the crowds at Front and Market streets last week are now "doing" Florence.

— Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Strickland, of Delgado, were bereaved Sunday afternoon by the death of an infant son. The funeral took place yesterday.

— British steamship *Polano*, hence for Liverpool, arrived out yesterday. British steamer *Tripoli*, hence for Cork, arrived at destination for orders and sailed for Liverpool.

— The Produce Exchange will meet at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of recommending certain needed changes in the Federal bankruptcy law. A full attendance is desired.

— After a short illness with fever Mr. W. A. Russ, of Delgado, died Sunday morning at the age of 56 years. He leaves a wife and a number of children. The remains were interred at 11 A. M. yesterday in Bellevue cemetery.

— The report from Elizabeth City that Chief of Police Furlong, of this city, had located the missing Nellie Cropsey was a mistake. He wired for a description of the girl some time after she left, but it was only a preliminary measure in the event something should develop later.

— Persons who kindly remember Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Parker, formerly of Wilmington, but now of Washington, D. C., will be interested in the announcement that through the influence of Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy their little son, "Mac," has been appointed a page in the House of Representatives at a good salary.

— There will arrive to-day via Clyde steamer from New York at the delicatessen of Hinton Bros., No. 115 Market street, a select assortment of Zimmerman's celebrated Kosher meats, fresh lobsters, codfish and smelt. Orders may be 'phoned to No. 418. Fresh water fish and New River garden oysters are received daily.

DEATH OF MRS. E. A. WOODROE.

Funeral Held From First Baptist Church Yesterday Afternoon.

Mrs. E. A. Woodroe, formerly of Wilmington but for the past three years a resident of Savannah, Ga., died at Lawndale, N. C., on Sunday. The remains were brought to Wilmington yesterday and the funeral was held the same afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from the First Baptist church, Rev. J. J. Payseur, of Brooklyn church, officiating in the absence of Dr. Blackwell, the pastor. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery, the following gentlemen having acted as pallbearers: Messrs. D. L. Gore, S. G. Hall, J. A. Everett, J. W. Norwood. Owen Fennell and Dr. A. M. Baldwin.

Mrs. Woodroe was in the 60th year of her age, and was a most estimable woman. She was a daughter of the late D. M. Foyles, of Wilmington, and leaves only one surviving member of the immediate family, Mr. J. D. Woodroe, of Washington, D. C., who now has a responsible position with the Plant railway system.

THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Report of Treasurer of Associated Charities for the Month of November.

Receipts—New Hanover county, $125; cash, $1; Mrs. Elizabeth Latimer, $2 50; Wm. Latimer, $2 50; E. S. Martin, Esq., $25; a friend, $75; cash, $20; H. C. McQueen, $10; cash, $1; cash, $1; W. R. Kenan, $10; Mrs. W. L. Parsley, $25; Capt. J. T. Harper, $5; Wm. Nicstlie, $4 50; Mrs. James W. Collins, $1; Miss Wendell, $2; R. J. Jones, $2; Mrs. Berry Gleaves, $1; Martin Rathjen, $3; John Kuhlken, $1.50; cash, $5; B. H. J. Ahrens, $5; Edward Ahrens, $5; Wm. M. Cumming, 1$; Mrs. Adam Empie, $5; cash, $1; Mrs. Jas. I. Metts, $20; T. S. McManus, 50 cents; Warren G. Elliott, $25; Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, $28 84; Mrs. Junius Davis, $5; cash, $1; J. H. Chadbourn & Co., $25; cash, $1; a friend, $10; J. A. Springer, three cords of wood; A. D. Wessel, $5 worth of provisions; Jas. I. Metts, three and a half barrels of flour.

Disbursements—Secretary's salary, $25; Catharine Kennedy Home, $12 50; groceries, $196.35; wood, $43 20; rent for those in need, $7.50; cash help, $5.25; railroad fares, $6.05; shoes, $2.50; janitor, $2.50; nourishment for sick, 25 cents.

Dislocated a Shoulder.

Wilmington's esteemed townsman, Mr. I Shrier, suffered a painful dislocation of the shoulder Sunday, by falling against a door while in play with his little daughter at the family home, No. 411 Princess street. Drs. Bellamy and Russell gave him immediate attention and his friends were glad to see him on the street as usual yesterday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

City Taxes—Notice.
Hinton Bros.—Delicatessen.
W. B. Cooper—Firecrackers.
People's Savings Bank—Notice.
Hall & Pearsall—Seed potatoes.
H. J. Bierman & Co.—Soon we part.

TO EQUIP HOSPITAL.

City and County Will Likely Appropriate $6,000 to Furnish the Institution.

JOINT MEETING YESTERDAY.

Board of Commissioners, Aldermen and Managers of James Walker Memorial Building in Conference—Meeting of Magistrates.

As the result of a conference yesterday afternoon between the boards of County Commissioners, Aldermen and Hospital Managers an arrangement was partially effected by which the city and county will most probably make special joint and pro rata appropriations amounting to $6,000 for furnishing the splendid James Walker Memorial Hospital, which was recently completed and given to the people by Mr. James Walker at a cost of more than $50,000.

When the late Mr. Walker made known his purpose to establish the magnificent memorial which now bears his name, he authorized Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy to summon a number of representative citizens of Wilmington to meet at his office. At this meeting Mr. Walker outlined the plan of his proposed philanthropy to the large number of gentlemen who gathered, and one of the conditions to his magnanimous gift was that the people, after he had completed the building, should equip and maintain the institution. For the maintenance of the hospital the legislative act incorporating the Board of Managers provided in the required payment by the county of $4,800 and by the city of $3,200 per year for this purpose. But unfortunately no provision was made for the equipment of the building. For several months, however, the Board of Managers set about to raise a sufficient amount by private subscriptions. Experts figured closely the cost of an equipment suitable to the magnificent building and it was found that $6,000 would be the very least needed. Despite most faithful personal efforts by several members of the Board only about $2,500 could be secured by popular gift and the task was abandoned. At the suggestion of many who had been approached for subscriptions and with a feeling that there was justness in the proposition for a whole people to pay for a benefit which would be derived by a whole people, it was decided to ask the city and county to make an extra appropriation out of their public funds to meet the cost of equipment in the same proportion as the two contributed to the maintenance of the hospital, i. e., two-fifths or $2,400 by the city and three-fifths or $3,600 by the county. In this way every citizen would be a contributor to the cause and would enjoy accordingly all the benefits of such an institution in their midst.

To get the matter in proper shape, at the request of the Hospital Managers the boards of Aldermen and Commissioners held a joint conference yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with the hospital authorities in the county court room. Capt. Walter G. MacRae acted as chairman of the meeting by request and the following members of the three boards were present: Mayor Waddell, Chairman McEachern, of the Board of Commissioners, County Attorney McKoy, City Attorney Bellamy, Dr. Thomas R. Little, hospital superintendent, Commissioners Vollers, Montgomery and Alexander; Aldermen Harriss, Maunder, Skinner, Johnson and Spencer, Messrs. W. G. MacRae, Sam Bear, Jr., D. C. Love, W. H. Sprunt, M. S. Willard and C. P. Bolles, Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, of the Hospital Board, and Mr. H. C. McQueen, chairman of the City Board of Audit and Finance.

Capt. Walter MacRae, in calling the meeting to order, briefly stated the object. Six thousand dollars was the least amount that would be sufficient in the opinion of Dr. G. G. Thomas, who had just completed furnishing the splendid A. C. L. hospital at Rocky Mount, and Dr. Little, who has had wide experience in hospital work. Capt. MacRae detailed the work of the efforts of his Board to raise the money by private subscription. The grounds could not be improved out of the $6,000, but other provision would be made by the managers for that. He said that with good management and proper attention he believed the hospital would soon be self-sustaining. If an appropriation was received from the municipalities the $2,500 subscribed by citizens would not be asked as they would contribute their pro rata in taxes.

Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., who has been very active in his efforts to secure the amount necessary by private subscription, spoke along the same line asd detailed the work by the managers in this regard. He was also of the opinion that in a few years endowments would make the institution self-sustaining.

Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy recalled the promise to Mr. Walker by the representative citizens who had gathered in the deceased philanthrpist's office when he made known his purpose to give the hospital. Faith should not be broken now.

Chairman McEachern of the Board of Commissioners, said he thought Mr. Walker's idea of the furnishing was for representative citizens individually to subscribe to the fund. He questioned the legality of any appropriation that the county might make, and quoted from the act defining the duties of Commissioners. He was in perfect sympathy with the movement, but knew the county authorities were unwilling to overstep the law. Another reason against appropriation was that the budget for the year's county expenses had been made up, and no funds are now available. The money could be borrowed but first the magistrates of the county would have to say whether or not they would approve of an additional tax levy next year to meet the loan. If there were no legal objections in the way, he would be glad to call the magistrates together and arrange for the negotiation of a loan.

Mayor Waddell said as for the city he had much the same statement to make as Mr. McEachern. The Aldermen could make no disbursements without concurrence of the Board of Audit and Finance; the chairman of that body, who was present, could speak as to that. There were no funds available now and the negotiation of a loan would have to pass the Finance Board. Personally he was greatly in sympathy with the movement. He also discussed the legal status of the case, and although he could not satisfy himself that such a proceeding would be strictly legal, he felt no apprehension that anyone would question it.

Chairman McQueen, of the City Board of Audit and Finance, said he was heartily in sympathy with the appeal and he thought he voiced the sentiment of his entire Board in saying that it would approve of the appropriation if it were made by the Aldermen. He said he was not qualified to speak absolutely as to the legality of the appropriation, but that the city had sent money to Galveston and he thought there was as much law for appropriating to the hospital as for that purpose. He did not believe that the legality would be questioned.

Alderman Harriss spoke in favor of the appropriation and Mayor Waddell said as there were just half of the Board of Aldermen present if all the five members were in favor of the appropriation he would cast a deciding vote in favor of the appropriation if it was necessary at next meeting.

Messrs. Skinner, Maunder, Spencer and Johnson said they would heartily vote for the measure.

Chairman McEachern then said he would call a meeting of the magistrates as soon as possible and ascertain if they would agree to an additional tax levy next June to meet a loan to be negotiated now.

Capt. MacRae said all that was wanted was an assurance from the two Boards. Dr. Thomas and Dr. Little were going North in a few days and if there was money in sight they could make the purchase.

It was then agreed to call another meeting of the three boards after the magistrates had passed upon the matter and take the decisive action. The meeting then adjourned.

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERAL

Impressive Services in St. James' Episcopal Church Yesterday in Honor of Late Dr. W. W. Harriss.

In the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives the order for the burial of the dead was impressively said yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in St James' Episcopal Church over the remains of the late Dr. William White Harriss, the rector of the parish, the Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield officiating. The hymns were by the regular choir and were very beautiful and appropriate.

The congregation was representative of all classes and conditions of men, who had gathered to do honor to one whom they held in much veneration and in greatest esteem. Cape Fear Camp, United Confederate Veterans, attended in a body in uniform out of respect to the deceased comrade, whose long membership was an honor and credit to the organization.

The floral tributes were many and exceptionally beautiful. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery, whence the funeral cortege moved slowly after the impressive services at the church. The following close friends of the deceased were pallbearers: Honorary, Col. John L. Cantwell, Ex-Judge O. P. Meares, Mr. R. J. Jones, Mr. A. D. Cazaux, Capt. T. O. Bunting and Col. W. A. Johnson; active, Messrs. Herbert McClammy, C. W. Worth, Iredell Meares, Dr. J. H. Durham, Major D. O'Connor and Capt. J. L. Boatwright.

Owing to Sunday schedules on railroads south, Mr. Thos. B. Harriss, a son of the deceased, was unable to get to Wilmington in time for the funeral, and another son, Mr. W. W. Harriss, Jr., of Gainesville, Fla., was unable to get here on account of his illness with pneumonia. Hon. John. D. Bellamy, a nephew of the deceased, arrived from Washington, D. C., Sunday morning and attended the funeral.

Transfers of Real Estate.

By deeds filed for record yesterday W. A. McGowan and wife transferred to Hannah L. Sloan the house and lot on west side of Sixth between Swann and Nixon streets, size 45x150 feet; consideration, $500. Also yesterday a deed was filed conveying from Wm. J. Kellog and wife to W. A. McGowan the same property of date Oct. 25th; consideration, $375.

St. James' Vestry

At a meeting of the vestry of St. James' parish Thursday night, organization was effected by election of the following: Col. W. L. DeRosset, senior warden; Capt. T. D. Meares, junior warden; Maj. W. F. Robertson, secretary, and Mr. Wm. Calder, treasurer.

We will deliver all photographs taken this week before Christmas unless the weather is very bad next week. Taylor's Studio. †

THE APPOINTMENTS.

North Carolina M. E. Conference Adjourned at Fayetteville Yesterday Morning.

THANKS FOR HOSPITALITY.

Body of Ministers and Delegates Were Handsomely Entertained—Only One Change in the Pastors of Wilmington Churches.

The North Carolina Conference, M. E. Church South, concluded its annual session at Fayetteville yesterday, and many of the clergymen and delegates left on the afternoon trains for their homes. Several of those who attended from Wilmington reached the city last night, and all speak in glowing terms of the hospitable and cordial manner in which the city of Fayetteville entertained them.

Conference met at the usual hour yesterday morning. The session was largely devoted to the hearing of reports from the several committees and transacting other business of routine nature incident to the closing.

The Conference, by a rising vote, thanked Fayetteville for the very hospital way in which it had been entertained.

The appointments were read during the morning hour and were received with satisfaction. With the exception of Rev. J. J. Porter, of Bladen street church, who goes the ensuing year to Carver's Creek circuit, all the Wilmington pastors and Presiding Elder John are returned.

By courtesy of the Fayettteville *Observer* the STAR prints the appointments as follows:

Wilmington District, R B John, P. E.—Wilmington, Grace church, J N Cole; Bladen Street, G B Webster; Fifth Street, J H Hall; Market Street, J W Potter; Scott's Hill, J W Gurganus; Onslow, F S Becton, supply; Jacksonville, V A Royal, supply; Magnolia, C C Brothers; Kenansville, W D Sasser; Burgaw, J W Martin; Clinton, T E Wright; Bladen, A J Groves; Elizabeth, G T Simmons; Whiteville, A S Barnes, C W Smith, sup.; Carver's Creek, J J Porter; Waccamaw, to be supplied; Shallotte, J M Marlowe, supply; Town Creek, R T Wyche, supply; Southport, A R Goodchild; New River, W R Royal, supply.

Newbern District, F D Swindell, P. E.—Newbern, R F Bumpass; Goldsboro, St. Paul, M Bradshaw; Goldsboro circuit, H E Tripp; Mount Olive, J M Carraway; Mount Olive and Faison, T. P. Bonner; LaGrange, H B Anderson; Snow Hill, E Pope; Kinston, N E Coltrane and W E Brown; Gifton, J M Lowder; Craven, W H Townsend; Jones, D C Geddie; Pamlico, W A Jenkins; Oriental, J H M Giles; Morehead City, H M North; Beaufort, J A Hornaday; Core Sound, C K Pool, supply; Straits, F E Dixon and S Leffers, Sup.

Washington District, F A Bishop, P. E.—Washington, R C Beaman; Washington Circuit, D A Watkins; Aurora, P Greening; Swann Quarter, W Y Everton; Mattamuskeet, L M Brower; Fairfield Station, J E Holder; Greenville, H M Eure; Farmville, T H Bain, supply; Grimesland, F F Eure; Bethel, A D Betts; Tarboro, C W Robinson; Robersonville, R R Grant; South Edgecombe, C I Reed; Rocky Mount, L L Nash; South Rocky Mount, P D Woodall; Nashville, J M Benson; Spring Hope, S H Joyner; Wilson, A P Tyer; Fremont, T J Dailey; Wilson Circuit, B B Culbreth; Ocracoke and Portsmouth, B H Black.

Warenton District, R A Willis, P E.—Warrenton, E H Davis; Warren, L M Chaffin; Ridgeway, D L Ernhart; Henderson, J D Bundy; Littleton, H S Humble; Weldon, W W Rose; Roanoke Rapids, E R Welch; Roanoke, R B Clark; Enfield and Halifax, S A Cotton; Battleboro and Whatakers, J G Johnson; Scotland Neck, J C Jones; Hopgood, D B Parker; Williamston, T H Sutton; Garysburg, E W Fox; Northampton, E E Rose; Rich Square, W F Jones; Meherrin, W C Merritt; Murfresboro, J A Root; Hassellsville, B C Thompson; Bertie, R L Davis; President Littleton Female College, J M Rhodes.

Raleigh District, J T Gibbs, P E.—Raleigh, Edenton Street, G F Smith; Raleigh, Central, G T Adams; Raleigh, Brooklyn, M M McFarland; Raleigh, Epworth, J M Culbreth; Cary, A L Ormand; Clayton, G W Fisher; Smithfield, R D Holmes; Kenley, G B Starling; Millbrook, A L Seabolt; Youngsville, G R Rood; Franklinton, J H Shore; Louisburg, M T Plyler; Tar River, R H Broom; Granville, W H Puckett; Oxford, A McCullen; Oxford Church, J D Pegram.

Durham District, W H Moore, P E—Durham, Trinity, W C Norman; Durham, Main Street, W L Cunningim; Durham, Carr Church, F B McCall; Durham Circuit, J B Thompson; West Durham, G D Langston; Chapel Hill, N M Watson; Hillsboro, J T Draper; Mt. Tirzah, M D Giles; Woodsdale, R H Whitaker, supply; Milton, N C Yearby; Vanceville, J H McCracken; Burlington Station, G B Perry; Burlington Circuit, J T Stanford; East Burlington, Graham and Haw River, G O Green; Alamance, J A Dailey.

Fayetteville District, B R Hall, P E—Hay Street, T A Smoot; Campbell and Rose Chapel, C Johnson; Cumberland, H G Stamey; Cokesbury, J J Barker; Sampson, B B Holder; Buckhorn, J W Wallace; Dunn, E M Snipes; Newton Grove, R A Bruton; Pittsboro, J H Frizzelle; Haw River, R W Bailey; Goldston, J C Humble; Siler City, J Sanford; Carthage, L E Thompson; Sanford, W F Craven; Jonesboro, J M Ashbay; Lillington, W B Humble, supply.

Elizabeth City District, J E Underwood, P E—Elizabeth City, D H Tuttle and J L Cunningham; Pasquotank, L Y Old; Camden, W E Hocutt; Mozock, R Bradley; Currituck, W A Piland; North Gates, G W Starling; Yates, O P Jerome; Perquimans, H M Jackson; Hertford, M H Tuttle, Edenton, R H Willis; Plymouth, J H Buffalo, sup.; Roper, A J Parker; Pantego, J E Bristowe; Dare, Wm Lowe; Roanoke Island, S T Moyle; Kitty Hawk, J E Sanders, sup.; Kennekeet, A W Price; Hatteras, L B Jones, Columbia, W P Constable; Principal High School, C R Taylor; Vanderbilt University, R E Porter.

Rockingham District, W S Rone, P E—Rockingham, F M Shamberger; Rockingham Circuit, N H Guyton; Richmond, S E Mercer; Mt Gilead, M D Hix; Pekin, J W Hoyle, supply; Montgomery, E C Sell; Elise, D A Futrell; Aberdeen, G A Oglesby; St John and Gibson, J A Lee; Laurinburg, L S Massey; Humlet, C O Durant; Maxton and colporteur, N H D Wilson; Red Springs, Z T Harrison; Lumberton, J P Pate; Robeson, B C Alfred and R W Townsend.

Transferred—John M Lewis to Louisville Conference and J A Peeler to South Carolina.

Southport people will be interested to note that Rev. R. W. Bailey has been transferred to Haw River, N. C., and in his stead comes Rev. A. R. Goodchild.

Delegates to the general conference were elected as follows:

Clerical—J. C. Kilgo, T. N. Ivey, J. T. Gibbs and F. D. Swindell. Alternates, E. A. Yates and R. F. Bumpass.

Lay—J. G. Brown, W. E Springer, J. H. Southgate and B. D. Zollicoffer. Alternates, Dr. J. F. Miller and L. L. Smith.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting Yesterday at Which Unimportant Matters Were Transacted. Meeting of Magistrates Called.

At a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held yesterday afternoon, Chairman McEachern presiding, and Messrs. H. L Vollers, W. F. Alexander and F. A. Montgomery being in attendance, a number of routine and unimportant matters were considered.

Upon recommendation of the special committee appointed at last meeting, it was ordered that the income tax of $350 listed against J. W. Norwood be refunded, he having been a non-resident of the State on June 1st.

The annual report of public moneys collected by Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, was received and ordered on file.

It was ordered that all convicts in the county jail under final sentence be sent to the county roads.

At the request of the Board of Hospital Managers the chairman was ordered to call a meeting of the Board of Magistrates for the purpose of obtaining authority to negotiate a loan of $3,600 for equipping the James Walker Memorial Hospital.

It was ordered that the amounts assessed originally against the stock of the Murchison National and the Atlantic National banks be collected as now appearing on the books and that the rebate by reason of the correction in deducting real estate as sent down by the State Auditor be allowed in a warrant to save extensive change in computation on the books as they now stand.

POULTRYMEN ELECTED OFFICERS.

Mr. Will Bonitz Will be Superintendent of Show in January—Annual Meeting.

The second annual meeting of the Wilmington Poultry and Live Stock Association was held last night and was attended by much enthusiasm. The principal business transacted, other than a liberal discussion of the forthcoming poultry show in January, under the auspices of the organization, was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the choosing of the same officers, as follows:

President—E. P. Bailey.
Vice President—A. C. Sneed.
Secretary and Treasurer—W. C. Armstrong.
Assistant Secretary—W. H. McEachern.

Mr. Will Bonitz was elected superintendent of the poultry show. No better man for the position could be found. His heart is in the work and he is energetic beyond peradventure.

Interest in the show is on the increase and outside fanciers are writing for space for exhibits. The local owners are also getting in trim to meet outside competition in fine birds and will no doubt capture at least a few of the prizes. A competent judge outside of Wilmington will be secured to pass upon the exhibits.

JOLLY "TARS" ELECTED OFFICERS.

Annual Meeting of Naval Reserves Last Night—Proposed Trip to Charleston.

At the regular business meeting of Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, held last night, the following civil officers and committees were chosen for the ensuing year:

President.—H. C. Howard.
Vice-President.—W. B. Savage.
Secretary and Treasurer.—S. K. Devaney.
Finance Committee.—A. A. Hergenrother, N. N. Davis and J. E. Bunting.
Uniform Committee.—W. B. Savage, A. K. Powers and J. L. King.
Armory Committee.—R. L. Vaughan, J. C. Meier and J. G. Prempert.

The proposed trip of the Division to Charleston during the Exposition was informally discussed and Mr. J. E. Bunting was appointed to investigate details of such a trip and to report at a subsequent meeting. If the company goes to Charleston at all, it is not likely that the trip will be made on the *Hornet* but aboard one of the transports of the army which will be in these waters early in the year.

The Opera House Last Night.

Miss Rose Coghlan and an excellent supporting company in the sensational society drama, "A Woman of no Importance," more than pleased a cultured and fashionable audience in the Opera House last night. Miss Coghlan, in the leading role, was all that ecstatic press criticisms proclaimed her and every member of the cast was all that could be expected. On account of the very threatening weather and in the face of a prediction of a violent northeaster, the audience was not so large as it should have been. Fate seemed to have decreed that Wilmington should not break the precedent of liberally patronizing the less worthy attractions and according only a meagre support to the meritorious.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Louise Knight is visiting friends in Baltimore.

— Capt. E. W. VanC. Lucas returned yesterday from Washington, D. C.

— Mr. A. L. Bishop, the popular Boston shoe drummer, is at The Orton.

— Mr. Chauncey Southerland, Jr., has taken a position in the Atlantic National Bank.

— Lieut. Garrison Ball, of the army post at Fort Caswell, spent last night in the city.

— Mrs. M. O. Bryce, of Hamlet, is in the city visiting her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. N. McIntosh.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wallace returned Sunday evening from Kenansville, where they spent the day.

— Miss Winnie Oldham, of Wilson, N. C., is the guest of the family of Capt. W. P. Oldham, North Third street.

— Mrs. Joseph H. Allen, of Richmond, Va., returned home yesterday after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Fechtig.

— Mrs. Walter Williamson will leave to-day for Charlotte, to attend a house party to be given by Mrs. R. M. Oates, of that city.

— Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy arrived in the city Sunday to spend a day or two at home, Congress having adjourned Friday until Tuesday.

— First Lieutenant Ruggles, of the army post at Caswell, left yesterday for New York to join his wife, who will accompany him here in a few days.

— Messrs. J. J. Croswell and K. C. Barrett, two of the Southern Express Company's most popular route agents, were in the city yesterday on business visits.

— Mr. Will Blair, of Winston, arrived in the city Sunday evening on his way to Edgecombe to join Governor Aycock and party, who are out on a hunting expedition in that locality. While in the city he was the guest of his brother, Mr. John Jay Blair.

ROYAL ARCANUM ELECTION.

Officers Chosen Last Night for Ensuing Term by Cornelius Harnett Council.

At a regular meeting of Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231, Royal Arcanum, held last night, the following officers were elected:

Regent—Dr. W. C. Galloway.
Vice Regent—W. H. Turlington.
Orator—Jas. C. Morrison.
Secretary—B. J. Jacobs.
Collector—Jacob Weil.
Treasurer—I L. Greenewald.
Chaplain—Chas. E. Hall.
Guide—H. Burkheimer.
Warden—Joseph Sternberger.
Sentry—Aaron Silverman.
Trustees—B. Solomon, I. J. Bear and George Sloan.

Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn was chosen representative to the Grand Council and Mr. B. J. Jacobs, alternate to the Grand Council.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Critical Condition of Gen. T. F. Toon. The South Dakota Suit.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 9.—The life of Gen. T. F. Toon, superintendent of public instruction, was several times despaired of Sunday night and this forenoon, but he is reported some better to-night and his physicians are hopeful. He is suffering from pneumonia, the third attack in five years, and both lungs are involved. He is constantly attended by a trained nurse and two physicians.

United States Marshal Dockery today served on Governor Aycock a peremptory summons from the United States Supreme Court, for North Carolina to appear March 2nd and answer the complaint of South Dakota in the Western North Carolina Railroad bond suit. The first subpœna was ignored by Governor Aycock, so as not to acknowledge jurisdiction of the court to hear the case.

Fifth Ward Water Works.

At last ground has been broken for the Fifth ward water pipes. Messrs. Wm. McLean & Co., the contractors, began work yesterday on Eighth street, extending towards Dawson. With no unnecessary delay the work will be completed in thirty days.

— The STAR'S good friend, Mr. French McQueen, of Lumberton, arrived in the city yesterday for a brief visit.

DIED.

WOODROE—In Lawndale, N. C., December 8th, Mrs. E. A. WOODROE, aged 59 years 14 days

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TAX NOTICE.

The time for voluntary payment of City Taxes expired Nov. 1st, PAY NOW and save annoyance and expense of levy or garnishee.
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Hinton Bros'.
DELICATESSEN,
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Did you get a ticket? If not then come at once or you will miss a chance of getting the most Handsome Toilet Set you have seen in many a day. The chance costs you nothing; we only ask you to buy 50c worth of Groceries for cash at prices which are just as low as you pay elsewhere.
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