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OUTLINES.

Queen Wilhelmina is sick with typhoid fever. Conferences on peace negotiations in South Africa have been suspended to enable Boer leaders to consult the various commands. The U. S. Senate yesterday began consideration of the bill to provide a form of government for the Philippines.

AFFAIRS OF OUR CITY.

No More Resignations Yesterday But Lots of Talk and Much Speculation.

MEETING ON MONDAY NIGHT.

Committees in Crippled Condition. Are Doing the Best They Can on Arranging a Budget—Question of Successors Being Agitated.

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That was the most common inquiry on the streets yesterday, and at the office of City Clerk and Treasurer King, where such papers would necessarily go in case a resignation was made. To all inquiries Mr. King replied, "not yet," but it is reasonably certain that there are several other members weary of their connection with the city in an Aldermanic capacity, and at any moment may "throw up the sponge," as the prize ring enthusiasts would say.

Several petitions were in circulation yesterday looking to an amelioration of conditions municipally, and one of them is said to have been to the effect that the entire Board be asked to resign and begin anew. However, this petition was not found after a diligent search by a reporter, and its existence is denied. There is a very widespread sentiment among the people that things should again resume the "even tenor of their way" and that so much of this confusion should stop.

It is believed that the conditions will become more settled after the first meeting under the new order of things and it was understood that such a meeting would be held last night, but for some reason it was postponed until Monday night.

Yesterday there was much doing about the City Hall. People were going and coming to inquire for late developments and the several new committees had frequent conferences for the purpose of arranging the budget for the fiscal year's expenses. Although their resignations have not been accepted thus far neither Mr. Harris nor Mr. Maunder participated in the committee work and so far as either of them is concerned their resignations are as good as in effect.

Under this condition of affairs the work of the committees is necessarily arduous in making up the budget. With all the resignations that have gone in, the only committees that remain intact are those on Police, Sanitary, Water Works and Streets and Wharves. The question of successors to the members resigned is being much talked of but no names are mentioned as yet.

Rev. C. W. Trawick, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Buena Vista, Va., will arrive in the city today and will be the guest of Col. Walker Taylor. Rev. Mr. Trawick comes to look over the field at Immanuel church with a view of accepting a call to the pastorate. He is a young man, married, and has one interesting little child. He is a pastor of marked ability and Immanuel church would be very fortunate to secure his services.

State Medical Examiners. The regular annual session of the North Carolina State Board of Medical Examiners will be held in Wilmington, beginning June 4th, and will be in session one week. The president of the Board is Dr. E. O. Register, of Charlotte. The secretary and treasurer is Dr. J. Howell Way, of Waynesville.

Recruits for the Roads. The county convict squad was re-nforced yesterday by Sam L. Frances, white vagrant, 10 days; David Neal, colored drunk and disorderly offender, 30 days; and Fred Bennett, colored ed, who was drunk and seized insanely, 30 days. They all went up from the police court.

Capt. Carmon's Funeral. The funeral of the late Capt. Samuel Carmon will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from St. John's Episcopal church of which he was a regular communicant. The interment will be in Oakdale.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. E. Warren & Son—Ice cream. J. H. Rehder & Co.—Overalls. J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Ice cream.

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POSSESSION OF VALUABLE REALTY IN QUESTION.

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Possession of the premises upon which is located the plant of the A. H. Stocomb Coopage and Veneer Works on Nutt, near Brunswick street, is the bone of contention in an interesting suit entitled Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company vs. Albert H. Stocomb, calendared to have been heard in the Superior Court yesterday but which was postponed by agreement of counsel until the original term of the court in May.

The Stocomb Coopage and Veneer Works occupy the valuable lot where the plant is located as successors to the Carolina Coopage Co., which had a ten-year lease upon the grounds but the lease expired some time ago and the Coast Line now wants its property.

Mr. Stocomb is both to give it up for technical reasons and because it would entail heavy loss to him to move the extensive machinery and find another suitable place for the operation of such an enterprise. The works cover a considerable territory and there are a number of buildings on the lot which would revert to the Coast Line upon its evacuation of the premises.

An action of ejectment was some time ago brought in Justice Fowler's court by Mr. Junius Davis, counsel for the A. C. L., but upon a decision favorable to the plaintiff, Col. Stocomb, through his counsel, ex-Judge E. K. Bryan, took an appeal to the Superior Court and the case was set for a hearing yesterday, but was not reached and continued as stated.

It is rumored that the Coast Line contemplates the erection of a handsome building upon the location.

LOCAL DOTS.

An experienced "feeder" for Job Presses is wanted at the STAR office.

"See-gars, oo-oo-ld drinks an' chewin' gum" will soon be the refrain at Hilton Park.

A printer accustomed to work on a morning daily may secure employment by application at the STAR office.

Capt. Harper announces another of his popular excursions on the steamer Wilmington to Bald Head and out to sea to-morrow.

"The Crying of a Dying Soul in Poe's Raven" will be Dr. Blackwell's subject at the Y. M. C. A. men's meeting, 5 P. M. Sunday.

The Y. M. C. A. woman's Auxiliary will run an excursion to Bald Head and out to sea on the steamer Wilmington next Wednesday.

The Wilmington baseball team should have distinctive colors this season. Last year the Raleigh colors were frequently mistaken for those of Wilmington.

Cotton receipts for the week ended yesterday were 232 bales; since Sept. 1st, 269,657 bales. Last year the receipts were, for the week, 116 bales; crop year, 254,397.

An important meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon at the W. L. I. armory. A full attendance is urged.

Services at Bladen Street M. E. church to-morrow morning will be especially for children. The revival in progress in this church the past week, will be continued.

Mr. John S. Hill, lineman for the Postal Telegraph Co., contributes to the STAR museum a curiosity in the way of a double egg, which was gathered from his hennery in this city yesterday.

The Old Folks' Concert has been postponed from Tuesday night, 23d inst., to Friday night following, the 25th. The postponement was on account of a number of the participants being out of the city.

Mr. E. R. Peterson, of Cypress Creek township, Bladen county, shipped yesterday from Parkersburg part of a crate of strawberries of very fine quality. In a few days there will be regular shipments from that section.

Subscribers who receive bills for subscriptions due the STAR are reminded that it is not fair to expect a publisher to supply them with news for nothing. Many, however, seem to think otherwise. As soon as a bill is received a prompt remittance should be made.

A very interesting game of ball was played at Hilton yesterday afternoon by the C. F. A. and High School teams. The game resulted in a victory for the juniors in a score of 14 to 4. The batteries were Schulken and Grant; Crow, Peschak and Costin. The umpire was Otto Genault.

VERDICT FOR FLANNER

Important Case in Superior Court Came to a Close Yesterday Afternoon.

APPEALS BY BOTH PARTIES.

Work of Term Finished Up and Adjournment Taken—Uninteresting Matters Disposed Of—Proceedings of the Day—Other Notes.

The interesting suit of Flanner against Carrie L. Butler et al., previously referred to in these columns, was concluded in the Superior Court yesterday afternoon and a verdict favorable to the plaintiff was returned by the jury at 2 P. M. after a deliberation of only two hours. The issues were answered as follows:

Was the land described in Article 3 of the complaint purchased with the money of plaintiff? Answer, "Yes." If so, was the deed to it made to the defendant without plaintiff's knowledge or consent? Answer, "Yes."

Is plaintiff's cause of action barred by statute of limitation? Answer, "No." The land described in "Article 3" is the valuable lot and store formerly occupied by O. P. Lowe & Co., opposite The Orion, on Frost street. The verdict does not carry with it the rentals accruing from the property since April, 1899, as asked for in the complaint at the rate of \$1700 per year, but this will doubtless constitute a basis of action for other suits that will likely follow a termination of the one completed in the lower court yesterday. The verdict also does not affect the Dock street property, valued at \$7,000 and claimed by the plaintiff, but which was struck out by Judge Timberlake upon the opening of the case.

Immediately following the verdict by the jury, defendant made a motion for a new trial but the same was denied and a motion to set aside the judgment which quickly followed met a similar denial, whereupon defendant took an appeal to the Supreme Court, waived notice of appeal and was fixed at \$50. Sixty days were allowed defendant to file statement of case on appeal and 60 days was given plaintiff to file counter-statement. The verdict was likewise not satisfactory to plaintiff who claims more than he received, and his counsel made exactly the same motions and appeal as above, with the same result.

Upon the convening of court yesterday morning argument to the jury for defendant was resumed by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., who made a masterly presentation of his side of the case in a speech of an hour and a half. He was followed by Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, who closed the argument in one of the finest efforts of his life for the plaintiff. Judge Timberlake's charge was very clear but short. The jury took the case at 1 P. M. and very soon after was seated at the verdict, a majority of the members having been unanimous in the verdict upon leaving the box.

The jury was composed as follows: John D. Woody, Jr., G. T. Cumber, A. C. Skipper, J. H. Holton, A. L. McCorton, O. P. Batten, Jas. F. Miller, Jno. W. Stormfelt, C. R. Mason, W. E. Pickard, Archie P. Merritt and John T. Ebert.

The business of the two weeks' term of court was completed yesterday afternoon and adjournment taken sine die. Judge Timberlake left last night for his home.

In the case of Mask against the City of Wilmington, defendant made a motion for a new trial on the ground that the court erred in not allowing motion to dismiss under the Hinesdale act, but the motion was denied and judgment entered, whereupon an appeal was taken to the Supreme Court, 30 days having been allowed each side to prepare its case on appeal.

Judgment for divorce was given in the case of Rebecca J. Davis vs. Peter W. Davis, but in similar actions by Mamie B. Parker vs. Edwin E. Parker and Julia Ann Griffith vs. Ed. S. Griffith, plaintiffs submitted to non-suit. Other routine cases were disposed of as follows:

Henry Whitted et al., vs. C. H. Thomas et al., judgment. E. K. Bryan vs. Chas. O. D. Lee et al., judgment by default and inquiry. City of Wilmington vs. E. K. Bryan, referred to Eugene S. Martin, Esq., as referee by compulsory reference, the City Attorney having protested.

Robert Sweat vs. Amelia Sweat, non suit. Charles Carter vs. Cape Fear Lumber Co.; H. L. Peterson vs. City of Wilmington; and Barnes vs. Railroad, off.

W. A. Wright vs. Hezekiah Bonham, order for new parties. J. H. Sloan vs. R. E. Lee, motion for new trial; motion denied and appeal taken.

Agnes Thorne et al., vs. Paul M. Jones, set to be heard at the criminal term of court in May. M. J. Corbett, trading as Corbett & Co., against Fritz G. Funke, judgment for defendant in sum of \$27.35. Ordered that plaintiff have 90 days to pay amount and that no execution issue until that time. Ordered further that unless the amount and costs be paid within 90 days execution issue against the person of defendant.

Carpet and Rug Cleaning. A. F. Naylor, the Carpet Cleaner, will do work in Wilmington for two weeks more. Carpets and Rugs cleaned on the floor at your residence to equal new (except wear and fade). B. S. of Wilmington references. Address 308 North Front street; Bell phone 158.

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COMPLICATIONS OVER LUMBER MILL PLANT.

Cape Fear Company Yesterday Secured Claim and Delivery Papers in Controversy With Mr. Cooper.

The controversy between Mr. C. H. Cooper, who operates the old Crockett mill under lease, and the Cape Fear Lumber Company yesterday took another turn and the Cape Fear Company is now in possession of the property in question.

Mr. J. A. Arringdale, president of the Cape Fear Company, sued out before the Clerk of the Superior Court claim and delivery papers for 1,733,000 feet of lumber and timber and the papers were served yesterday morning by Sheriff Stedman, placing Mr. Arringdale in possession of the lumber which he says was sawed for him and which he said was detained, as he believes, because defendant claims that the plaintiff owes him certain money on open account, which claim is denied.

It is understood that Mr. Arringdale gave bond in the sum of \$80,000, but it is probable that Mr. Cooper will reply and again enter into possession of the premises until the case is adjudicated in the Superior Court.

In the meantime there are two or more schooners here for cargoes and the case will entail heavy losses if further complications arise.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CENSUS.

Enthusiastic Meeting at Y. M. C. A. Last Night at Which All Arrangements Were Made for the Census.

All arrangements for the Sunday school census of the city, to be taken by the workers of the various churches of Wilmington, were perfected at an enthusiastic and largely attended meeting at the Y. M. C. A. last night, over which Dr. J. C. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist church, presided. The city was mapped out into 68 census districts, and twice that number of canvassers assigned; two to each and the canvassers of different religious faith.

The census will be taken next Tuesday, April 23rd—all in one day—and information leaflets and cards for the list takers were distributed. Reports will be made to a central committee which will remain at the Y. M. C. A. all day Tuesday and give such information or assign additional help as may be needed.

Many regrets that owing to the length of the list of canvassers and territory to which they are assigned, it will be impossible to publish them to-day. If any information is desired by the canvassers relative to the work, same will be furnished by their respective pastors.

EAST WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Closing Exercises Held Yesterday Afternoon—Timely Address on Education.

The closing exercises of East Wilmington Public School, taught by Mr. S. V. Bowen in District No. 7, took place yesterday and were most largely enjoyed by the children and a large number of the patrons of the institution. The examinations were completed by noon and from that hour until 3 o'clock the children enjoyed a basket picnic on the grounds.

In the afternoon Mr. W. M. Cummings of this city, delivered a splendid address upon education and its application to the several walks of life. The address is spoken of as having been practical, timely and well delivered. Mr. Cummings' remarks were followed by addresses along the same line by Rev. L. B. Boneby, by the principal of the school, and his brother, Mr. M. Bowen, who teaches at Acorn Branch in this county.

There were many expressions of kind feeling toward Mr. Bowen, the capable teacher, and many of the pupils and parents expressed a hope that he would come to them again next session. Most of the other schools in the county districts will close seven months' terms next week.

Uniforms for Policemen.

Chief Furlong and a committee of policemen, consisting of Messrs. E. L. Smith, R. Moore, H. P. Merritt and C. E. Wood, met yesterday and awarded the contract for Spring and Summer uniforms to the Fishbait Clothing Company at \$14.75 per suit. The clothes are of pretty blue yacht cloth and will be of the famous Strouse Brothers' "High Art" brand, which have given such eminent satisfaction to the force for the past three years. Other bids for the clothing were received from Messrs. A. Shrier, J. M. Solky and the A. David Co. The measures are now being taken for the new uniforms.

Had an Unusual Tow.

Capt. Edgar Williams, the clever master of the tug Marion, has towed up and down the river bridge, barques, barges, steamers, schooners and nearly every other rig of vessel known to the maritime craft, but he had a to-day yesterday that was quite uncommon—a box car that had tumbled overboard at the A. C. L. oil wharf night before last and floated down to the mouth of Alligator creek, two miles below the city. Two of the cars broke loose from a shifting engine and went off the wharf, but one of them caught on the cap of the pier and didn't go down with the tide. Both of them will be placed on the track to-day by Capt. Williams' powerful hoister "Hercules."

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MR. ERWIN'S VIEWS.

President of Plant System Talks of Its Consolidation With the Coast Line.

NOBODY BEHIND THE A. C. L.

Savannah May Not Be General Headquarters, But Some Offices Will Be Retained There—Places for the Employees—Other Matters.

[Savannah News, 18th.]

"President Erwin of the Plant System arrived yesterday from New York. He was seen by a representative of the News in reference to the consolidation that is to make the Plant System and the Atlantic Coast Line one system."

Since the announcement that the two companies would be merged into one, the leading points of interest in the public mind have been the location of the general offices of the company and the question as to who may be its general officers. Mr. Erwin was asked about both matters, and what he had to say will be found decidedly reassuring to Savannahians who want the offices here, and to officials of the Plant System, who may want to retain their present positions or be given others equally good.

It will be a matter of necessity, Mr. Erwin said, for the A. C. L. to retain offices in Savannah, and he does not anticipate that there will be the slightest diminution in the present force of employees or any curtailment of the departments that are now here will be retained. "While these may be the general offices, Mr. Erwin said that the mere fact of a place being the general headquarters of a company is of no moment."

The president said that he believed that the purchase by the Coast Line of the Plant System would prove beneficial to all the cities located on the line, and that he did not see how it could result otherwise than in an increase of business for Savannah. By reason of its location, he said, he considered that Savannah will allow for the absorption of representatives of the several departments that are now located here. Mr. Erwin desired it understood that he was not authorized to speak for the Atlantic Coast Line as to its intentions with reference to the future management of the property now called the Plant System, but said that the past history of the Coast Line satisfies him that there could be no consolidation of railroad properties that would cause fewer changes than the absorption by the Coast Line of the Plant System. He holds that the Coast Line is so conservative that it will not be disposed to make changes in the force of employees of the Plant System upon the consolidation taking effect unless it might be for cause. As Mr. Erwin expressed it, the fact that it is not a company, but, on making a consolidation, would send a man from Oakes to Florida to take the place of some already in service in that State.

The consolidation of the systems, Mr. Erwin said, will benefit those of the present officials and employees of the Plant System who have merit, for there is always a better chance for a man with a system of 4,500 miles than with a system of 2,000 miles. About this quality of merit he said he had no apprehension, as it has always been the object of the Plant System to secure such men, and he believed that it had done so in the case of present officials. What Mr. Erwin said of the general officials of the Plant System did not extend, in the matter of their retention, to the executive officials or directors, all of whom he said would of course resign at the time of the consolidation. He was asked if any of them would be elected upon the board of the Atlantic Coast Line, and he said that he knew nothing as to that. If such should be the case, he said, it would not be through virtue of the Plant Investment Company retaining part in the ownership of the Plant System properties that are merged with the Coast Line.

Nobody Behind Coast Line. Mr. Erwin said that the sale of the Plant System was made to the Atlantic Coast Line, and that no other company or person was a party to the purchase or interested in it in any way. This sets at rest the reports of the Southern being behind the Coast Line. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company some time ago denied that it had any hand in the purchase.

Mr. Erwin was asked about the statements that have appeared in newspapers to the effect that the Plant System was made to the Coast Line as a result of the Plant will case, and by Mr. Morton F. Plant against Mr. Erwin's wishes. Mr. Erwin said that he regretted the sale, subject to the approval of the directors, believing that it would prove for the best interests of the stockholders of the Plant Investment Company, who own a majority of the stock of the several companies constituting the Plant System. The sale was confirmed by a unanimous vote of those of the directors who were present at the meeting to which it was reported.

Mr. Erwin was asked if it was not true that the Plant System had considered a plan for the erection of a general office building in Savannah, and he answered the question in the affirmative. This project, he said, might or might not be carried out by the Coast Line. "That was a matter upon which he was not qualified to speak. The building, if erected, would probably be at the corner of Liberty and East Broad streets, a location that was mentioned not long since, when the plan that the Plant System had entertained was announced."

NOT AN EMPTY DREAM.

Somnambulist Fell from Second Story of Palton Hobbs and Was Injured.

Jno. H. Hobbs, of Boardman, N. C., a somnambulist, while a guest at the Fulton House, on Front street, Thursday night, got to walking in his sleep and fell fifteen feet from the second story at the rear of the building and was painfully bruised but not seriously injured. Other guests were awakened by cries of the man and Dr. F. H. Russell was summoned to attend him. Police Sergeants Burnett and Woodard and Policeman Leon Greese assisted in getting Mr. Hobbs back into the building, he being a very large man and so injured that he was unable to walk.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE STOCKS. Features of the Richmond and Baltimore Markets—The Consolidation. In Richmond the market for A. C. L. stocks was reported as follows for Thursday: "A," 126 bid, 130 asked; preferred, 120 bid, 121 bid; asked; common, 121 bid, 124 asked; Connecticut, 240 bid, 255 asked.

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