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WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
Weather Bureau,
Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 23.
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Forecast for to-day:
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Part Almanac—August 24.

LOCAL DOTS.

Church notices on second page.
— Capt. C. J. Manly, U. S. A., was in the city yesterday on route to Fort Osaw.
— Atlantic Coast Line of Connecticut stock sold yesterday in Baltimore for \$200 per share.
— The steamer *Wilmington* will make two trips to Southampton to-day, leaving at 9:30 A. M. and 9:30 P. M.
— The first degree was conferred upon twelve candidates by Hanover Lodge No. 145, I. O. O. F., Friday night.
— A feeder for job presses is wanted at the Star office. Must be experienced in the work. Apply Monday morning.
— Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, who is on his vacation, will preach in the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., to-day.
— A boy or girl who is experienced in sewing books and in work on pads may secure temporary employment by applying at the Star office Monday morning.
— The schooner *Chas. Linticum* cleared yesterday for Baltimore with a cargo of lumber consigned to the Anglo Lumber Co. The schooner *Joe W. Brooks* cleared light for Savannah.
— Deputy Sheriff Hagood, of Darlington county, S. C., left yesterday afternoon with the negro, Sandy King, captured by the Wilmington police a few days ago.
— Rev. Oscar L. Powers, of Pender county, who recently returned from the Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will conduct services to-day, morning and evening, in the First Baptist Church.
— For the benefit of an unfortunate brother, who recently lost a foot in the service of the police department, Hanover Lodge No. 145, I. O. O. F., will run an excursion up the Cape Fear river on the night of Sept. 11th.
— The men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. at 5 o'clock this afternoon will be conducted by Rev. H. W. A. Hansen, who will have for his subject: "Causes of Failures in Life." Miss Taylor will sing a solo and Mr. Moss will preside at the piano. All men are welcome.
Sport at the Seashore.
The usual week-end dance at the Seashore last night was enjoyed by a large number of young people. There are many guests still at the Seashore and the pleasantly inclined are having great sport from fishing. Yesterday a party consisting of Messrs. A. J. Oranpion, of Charlotte, O. J. Shatto, Jr., and C. W. Moody, of Atlanta, landed seven "whoppers" which weighed in the neighborhood of 300 pounds. There are ample facilities at the hotel for great sport.
Heaviest Receipts of New Crop.
The receipts of new crop cotton yesterday were the heaviest yet—317 bales. Of this number, 279 bales came over the W. C. & A., 37 from over the Carolina Central and one from over the W. & W. railroad. Although the New York spot market declined from 9 to 8½ cents for middling yesterday, the local quotations were unchanged at 8½ cents.
White Man Arrested for Vagrancy and Locked Up in Jail Here.
Jno. Turner, a white tramp, who is either a half-witted fellow or feigns stupidity for a purpose, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Harvey Cox on Greenville Street yesterday afternoon upon a warrant charging vagrancy, and sworn out before Justice Fowler by Mr. Martin S. Willard. Turner is about middle-aged and has been loitering around the sound for a week or more, frequently appearing at residences in the neighborhood, begging something to eat and acting in such a way as to frighten ladies, who are alone during the day, the male members of the households being in Wilmington at their places of business.
Turner was before Mayor pro tem. Cooper about a week ago on a similar charge to the one now preferred and he was let off upon condition that he leave the city. Chief Farlow sent an officer with the man to see that the promise was fulfilled, but once out of the city and under the eye of the officer, Turner went to the sound, where he came to grief. He will be tried by Justice Fowler to-morrow.
A General Negro Fracas.
The general fight of a half a dozen colored women and a negro man named Wm. Smith on a negro excursion to Carolina Beach last Monday was investigated in Justice Fowler's court yesterday. Smith gave bond for the highest court in two cases developed against him for assault and battery with a deadly weapon upon Minnie Wright and Jennie Pollock, and the Wright woman was committed to jail in default of bond for the Superior Court to answer for a similar assault upon Smith. The other participants in the difficulty were found not guilty. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., and Brooke G. Emple, Esq., appeared for a part of the defendants.
Special Music To-night.
The music at the First Baptist church to-night will be very interesting. Mr. James Chesnut Craft, who has studied with the great Boston organist, Dunham, will be the organist for the evening. Mr. C. H. Cooper will sing a solo, "Fear not Ye, O Israel," by Bach, and there will be double quartettes rendered by the following singers: Miss Norma Foster, Miss Maud Bulluck, Mrs. James D. Smith, Miss May Galloway, Mr. James D. Smith, Mr. C. H. Cooper, Mr. A. S. Holden and Mr. W. H. Alderman.

A PEANUT COMBINE.

Rumor of Consolidation of Virginia Plants Concerns Several Local Firms.
CAPITAL OF SIX MILLIONS.
Trust Will Be Financed from New York by Capitalists Already on the Spot. Independents May Give Trouble.
Notes of the Deal.
The reported movement at Norfolk to consolidate all the peanut cleaning plants in Virginia into one giant trust controlled by New York capitalists has caused some interest in Wilmington where there are a dozen or more such establishments. Local operators are wondering if the trust magnates will invade their territory later, and growers in this section manifest no less interest from the fact that what effects the buyer, none the less has to do with the seller and producer.
The plan is to finance the consolidated plants from New York with a capital of \$6,000,000. It is said that the proposed merger of these concerns will cause 40 or 50 peanut men in Norfolk, who have been travelling in the West, South and Canada for Virginia cleaners, to lose their places, as the plants there will be closed down.
The trust, it is understood, will operate a plant at Norfolk, two in Petersburg, one in Smithville, one in Wakefield, with perhaps a few others. Experts are at work on the books and the plants at Norfolk are preparing to stop work. It may be that the independent cleaners will give the new combine trouble, as they did with several smaller attempted combines of the past.
The Norfolk Landmark of yesterday has the following to say in this connection:
The rumor printed yesterday announcing the arrival of two representatives of a New York trust for examining the peanut-cleaning plants in this section, was verified yesterday by the arrival of several more representatives of the same company who will inspect plants in other parts of the State.
At this time, however, only two of the trust's representatives are in the city, the others having gone to Petersburg and Franklin to inspect plants in those cities.
The two trust representatives in this city, who it is stated, go over the books of the various concerns that will be consolidated, and confirm statements made before the deal was on.
It was learned last evening that two plants in this city will be shut down and several in other sections of the State will be likewise closed. By consolidating seventeen large peanut cleaners, the trust will have control of the peanut-cleaning business of the State.
One of the factors in organizing the company at present is the present control of the crop. The new company do not control all of the crop and peanut men claim that independent concerns would then be dangerous.

A LIVELY MUNICIPAL COURT.

Ten Cases Tried by the Mayor Yesterday Noon—Fines and Penalties.
An imposing array of offenders lined up before the mayor on the anxious seat at yesterday's session of the police court.
William Robinson and Frank Jones, colored hack drivers for Orrell & Carroll, had a mix-up at Third and Prince streets yesterday morning and were taken into camp by Officer H. W. Howell. Jones paid the cost for his pugilistic experience and Robinson was released.
Jim Smith, colored, and Rebecca Moore, of the same hue, were disorderly and each paid \$5 for freedom.
John Holland and Joe Davis, the pickaninies who stole a coat Friday night from a negro shop keeper near Front and Dock streets, were released upon condition that their mothers whip them. The pair of "proud mothers" asked the loan of Chief Furlong's buggy whip and called into their youthful offspring. A very much frayed whip was returned to the Chief as a guarantee that the job had been well done.
E. P. Smith and Ashley Wortham fought at the A. C. L. station upon the departure of an excursion train Friday night. Each was fined \$5.
An unfortunate white woman of bad repute was found drunk on the streets at Ninth and Orange Friday night. She was discharged upon the promise to leave the city, otherwise the penalty was fixed at thirty days on the roads.
UNION SCHOOL ANNEX SOLD.
Committee of District No. 2 Transferred. Property Yesterday—Another Sale.
By a deed executed and filed for record yesterday the School Committee of District No. 2, Wilmington township, transferred to I. J. Sternberger, Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., and Julius Sternberger the annex to the Union School on southwest corner of Fifth and Nun streets; consideration, \$2,150. The lot fronts 66 feet on Fifth and 139 feet on Nun street. The deed is signed by Messrs. Samuel Northrop, C. W. Thomas and Capt. W. R. Kennan, of the school committee, and Col. W. A. Johnson, chairman, and Prof. A. Washington, clerk, of the County Board of Education.
By another deed filed yesterday W. M. Cumming and wife transferred to Hannah Thomas for \$50, parcel of land on North side of Dawson, between Tenth and Thirteenth streets, 33x133 feet in size.

RAILROAD WORLD.

Current Year is One of Consolidations to Extent of Being a Record-Breaker.
SOUTHERN TO DOUBLE-TRACK
Freight Offices to Be Removed to Atlanta—Mr. F. M. Jolly Reorganizes Surveys for South Carolina and Georgia Extension.
The Charleston *News and Courier* in its well edited "railroad column" has the following interesting resume of the various railway changes, absorptions, mergers, etc., that have kept the business world guessing during the past year and which will be found interesting to the general reader:
The year 1902 will go down into railroad history as having witnessed more consolidations than have ever been known in any previous year. Great combinations and absorptions have followed closely one after another. The movement began last year, when the Pennsylvania finally succeeded in acquiring the Baltimore and Ohio. The greatest coup of 1901 was the formation of the Northern Securities Company, which has been created by the acquisition of Burlington by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific. Earlier in the year the Harriman clique in the Union Pacific had taken over the Southern Pacific.
The work of consolidation, begun so vigorously last year, has been going on vigorously ever since and it is believed that the year will have absorbed more independent roads than any other system. George Gould and his associates have taken over the Ann Arbor in Michigan; the Columbus, Sandusky and Hooking in Ohio; the West Virginia Central in West Virginia; the Chesapeake and Potomac in Maryland; and the Western Maryland in Maryland—about 1,116 miles in all. The Goulds have also arranged to take over the Colorado Southern, with 1,143 miles of trackage.
The Rock Island bought the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf from its central in West Virginia, and the Rock Island has transferred all its holdings to a securities company.
In the South the Atlantic Coast Line has acquired the Plant System, and Pierpont Morgan has been arranged to turn over the Louisville and Nashville, bought from John W. Gates at an enormous profit to the latter, to the Southern Railway, which had previously taken over the Monon route.
This table gives the principal railroads with their mileage, which have been absorbed by other lines since the beginning of the current year.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Willena Beery is visiting friends in Florence.
— Mr. and Mrs. Landon C. Jones are guests of The Orion.
— Capt. F. W. Ortmann is back from the Greensboro reunion.
— Mr. C. C. Hargrove, of Lexington, N. C., arrived yesterday.
— Mrs. Geo. H. James and children are spending a while with relatives at Willard.
— Miss Mary Shepard, who has been visiting at Beaufort, returned home yesterday.
— Mr. W. A. Caldwell left last evening to spend ten days at his old home at Roanoke, Va.
— Mr. Wm. L. Marshall, of Wadesboro, arrived yesterday to spend Sunday at the beach.
— Miss Mary Della Canady left yesterday for a week's stay, with her parents at Scott's Hill.
— Mr. S. H. Fishplate left last night for the Northern markets to purchase Fall and Winter goods.
— Fayetteville *Observer*, 23rd: "Mr. Oscar Morris, of Wilmington, will spend to-morrow in the city."
— Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Yopp left yesterday afternoon for Savannah, Ga., to visit Mrs. Yopp's sister, Mrs. John Murrin.
— Mrs. John W. Harper and Miss Louise Harper are enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Canady at Scott's Hill.
— Miss Lula Maie Shepard, of Americus, Ga., arrived yesterday on a visit to her brothers, Messrs. Frank and Thor. Shepard.
— Rev. J. N. Cole has returned to the city from Virginia and will occupy his pulpit at Grace M. E. church to-day as usual.
— Mr. James W. Barnes and daughter, Miss Ethel Barnes, have returned home after spending several months in Florida and Georgia.
— Mr. Tom Seiders, the efficient drug clerk at Banting's pharmacy, left yesterday for Hamlet, N. C., to visit friends and relatives for several days.
— Mr. William Z. Corbett, order clerk in the Purchasing Agents' Department of the Atlantic Coast Line, is confined to his home by illness.
— Mr. Milton K. Breckenridge, of the Murchison National Bank, clerical force, has gone to Charleston, S. C., to spend his vacation with his brother.
— Capt. Owen Fennell is back from the Greensboro Confederate reunion. He is much impressed with the spirit of enterprise everywhere apparent in that busy center.
— Fayetteville *Observer*: "Mrs. W. E. Piekard and Miss Nellie Piekard, of Wilmington, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Franklin, left yesterday for Rocky Mount on a visit."
— Mr. Geo. T. Hanes, supervisor for North Carolina of the Life Assurance Co. of Virginia, spent yesterday in the city on an official visit to the local agency. Mr. Hanes was lately in charge of the office here and was cordially received by numerous friends yesterday.
— Miss Hattie Whitaker, the faithful and competent representative here of the E. G. Dun & Co. commercial agency, has returned from a vacation of three weeks spent in Western North Carolina. "Delightful" is the expressive word she uses in speaking of her trip.

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