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OUTLINES.

The bill for the creation of a general staff for the army passed the House. The Interstate Commerce Commission will take testimony in Charlotte, N. C., to-day regarding the complaint of unjust discrimination in railroad freight rates against Charlotte. A bill has been introduced in the Senate providing for free importation of commodities controlled by trusts. The Mexican Government is doing everything in its power to exterminate the plague at Matanzas. Fire at New Orleans threatened to wipe out newspaper row; the damage was about \$25,000. Senator Hoar addressed the Senate on his bill regarding trusts. Four persons lost their lives in a hotel fire at Chicago. Norwegian barque *Princes Albert* wrecked off the coast of Washington, and eight of the crew were drowned. Geo. W. Williams, a millionaire, of Charleston, S. C., died yesterday, aged 83 years. N. Y. markets: Money on call quoted steady at 4 1/8 per cent; cotton—1st at 8 1/2; flour was quiet and easy; wheat—spot easy; No. 2 red 7 1/2; corn—spot easy; No. 2 5 1/2; oats—spot firm; No. 3 5 1/2; rosins—firm; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6. Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.: Temperature: 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 9 P. M., 37 degrees; maximum, 47 degrees; minimum, 37 degrees; mean, 43 degrees. Rainfall for the day, 0.3; rainfall since last month to date, 1.18. Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Monday 24 feet. FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—For North Carolina: Fair, warmer Wednesday and Thursday; fresh southeast winds to south.

Port Almanac—January 7.

High Water Wilmington. 7.10 A. M. Low Water " 5.04 P. M. High Water " 9.13 A. M. Low Water " 6.58 P. M. High Water at Southport. 1.23 A. M. Low Water " 10.05 P. M. High Water Wilmington. 3.52 A. M. Low Water " 1.46 P. M.

According to the census returns here are 600,000 Smiths in this country, and they keep a comin'.

Last year \$140,360,850 worth of property was destroyed by fire in this country and in Canada, a pretty big loss, but about \$15,000,000 less than in 1901.

A New York star gazer informs the New York Sun that this will be the coldest January this country has ever had. He was probably banking on the scarcity of coal.

As Senator Hoar has entered the lists against the trusts and jumped to the front he may prepare for some roasting by the New York Sun, which shines for the trusts.

A contemporary calls the attention of the W. C. T. U. to Russia, where "6,000,000 corks are used annually for alcoholic beverages." A pretty dry sort of beverage. But maybe they snuck 'em.

Dr. Searcy, Superintendent of the Insane Hospitals of Alabama, says insanity is on the increase in civilized countries, while there are very few insane in uncivilized countries. Of course, civilized people have more to worry over and make them crazy than savages have.

The U. S. Patent office has refused to grant a trade mark to a Northern florist who wanted to dub one of his roses "Roosevelt." As there are other roses which smell as sweet, and this one would smell as sweet under any other name, the Patent men didn't see why it should aspire to Presidential prestige.

A Cornell University professor, who monkeys with the monkey, has legated the gorilla as the connecting-link-couset to man and installed the un-scientific orangoutang, instead of that. We were never favorably impressed with the gorilla's looks anyway, nor his ways either.

Some one who has been predicting the possible results of a war between this country and European powers, says we would probably lose the Philippines. We might not lose them, but it would cost more to hold them than they would be worth, if they haven't already done so.

Some of the New York papers are coming alarmed at the large tide immigration to this country. One of them, the *Mail and Express*, notes the fact that of the 645,750 who arrived in this island last year, they got an average in money of only \$1 and only 22,274 had more than \$5. But they manage to hustle along and get a grip notwithstanding the small amount of cash they bring.

LOCAL DOTS:

Friends will regret to know that Mr. J. M. Hardwick is quite sick at his home No. 810 Princess street. The quarantine for scarlet fever upon the residence of Mr. W. E. Ferdue, 310 North Seventh street, has been raised. Clarendon Lodge, No. 3, K. of P. and Cape Fear Lodge of Old Fellows installed officers last night for the ensuing term. Attention of merchants and business men is called to the fact that schedule B tax is due and payable the first ten days in January. A thoroughly competent compositor accustomed to newspaper work may secure employment by applying at the STAR office. First Church of Christ Scientist, Marchioness Bank building, on Chesnut street, services this evening at 8 o'clock. All are invited. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell has been invited by the soldiers at Fort Caswell to conduct religious services at the army post on Friday night. The annual exodus of negroes from this section to the turpentine farms of Georgia and Florida has begun and the railroads are beginning to look out for the traffic. The schooner *Venus*, Capt. Foxwell, cleared yesterday for Baltimore with cargo of 300,000 feet of lumber, consigned by the Angola Lumber Co. The annual roll call of members at the First Baptist church will take place next Sunday morning in connection with the regular service at 11 o'clock. All members are urged to be present. There was not a single prisoner in the police station yesterday. The Health Department took that occasion to fumigate all the cells and put them in the best sanitary condition, consistent with the nature of things. The negro servant arrested Monday on a charge of having been implicated in the robbery of the residence of Rev. E. B. John, was discharged yesterday by the police, no evidence having developed against her. By deed filed for record yesterday Robert B. Lewis, administrator, et al., conveyed to Virginia L. Trezevant, of Fort Motte, S. C., for \$1,300, lot on east side of Eighth, between Dock and Orange streets, 70x75 feet in size. With perhaps a wish as a father of the observation, several persons thought they could observe a little snow in the drizzling rain that fell in Wilmington yesterday morning. It was sleeting in Florence yesterday but none of it came this way. Norfolk Landmark: "Several names have been mentioned as possibilities for the pastorate of the First Baptist church, made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. E. B. Hatcher. Among those mentioned are the Rev. Dr. Blackwell, of Wilmington, N. C.; the Rev. Dr. Battle, of Petersburg, and the Rev. M. Hale, of Kentucky."

J. E. TYNER ON TRIAL.

A Young White Man Who is Charged With Perjury in the Superior Court. THE SESSIONS YESTERDAY. Negroes Who Engaged in a Pistol Duel at Angola Lumber Mill—Jury Brought in Written Verdict—Docket May Be Cleared This Evening. All of yesterday afternoon's session of the Superior Court was taken up in the trial of the case of J. E. Tyner, charged with perjury, particulars of which are well known to readers of the city papers. The case was entered upon first thing after the dinner recess and at 5:30 P. M., when adjournment was taken for the day, only a part of the evidence had been heard. The case is easily one of the most important of the term and will likely require another half day's session of the court for its completion. Tyner is represented by Brooke G. Empe, Esq., and Sohier Duffy is looking after the interests of the State. Tyner is charged with having testified falsely in the Mayor's court about two weeks ago that he bought no liquor on Sunday from Ben Jones, a colored restaurant keeper who was tried in the Superior Court Monday. Mayor Waddell was first introduced yesterday for the State in the case against Tyner, to prove what was testified to at the preliminary trial of Ben Jones. Special Officer C. T. Croom testified to having seen Tyner purchase the liquor from Jones and he was corroborated by Jim New, who was given the money to make the purchase. The State rested its testimony here and the defence introduced the defendant Tyner, who testified that he purchased no liquor from Jones, but bought some from New, on the wharf; that he tried to get some liquor from Jones, but he had none. The negro Jones corroborated Tyner and Hon. J. D. Bellamy testified to an alleged variance of Croom's testimony with that given by him before the mayor. Mr. Bellamy was counsel for Jones at the original hearing. Several other witnesses are to be introduced for the defence when court re-assembles this morning at 10 o'clock. If nothing unforeseen occurs, the docket of the term may be cleared this evening or to-morrow morning. The only case of interest tried yesterday morning was that of two negroes, Balaam Johnson and Foster Williams, who engaged in a pistol duel the day before Christmas on the yards of the Angola Lumber Company, beyond Hilton Park. Johnson was represented by Brooke G. Empe, Esq., and Williams had Herbert McClammy, Esq., for his counsel. The jury, through its foreman, Mr. Jno. R. Ham by, brought in a written verdict finding the defendant guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and carrying concealed and using deadly weapons, with recommendation of Williams to the mercy of the court. Johnson was sentenced to the roads for four months in the first enumeration of the charge, and one month in the feature of carrying concealed weapons. Judge Peebles intimated that he might reduce either or both sentences, if Johnson could introduce witnesses to-day that he is a man of good character. He is a native of Onslow county, but Solicitor Duffy jocularly remarked in response to taunts from some of his legal friends that he could not vouch for his good name. The disposition of Williams' case was left open until to-day for Judge Peebles to hear how he was regarded by his employers as a character. The sheriff upon the opening of court at 10 A. M., returned the list of jurors summoned for the day with the exception of Geo. W. Cameron, B. L. King, James H. Melvin, Wm. Henry Montgomery, who were not found, and J. Hill Bunting and J. W. Freeman, Jr., who were excused. The following cases were disposed of: George Pigford, larceny, continued by consent to March term. Wesley Watson, larceny; verdict not guilty. James, alias James Floyd, larceny; verdict guilty; 15 months at hard labor upon roads of the county. The following taleymen were ordered summoned for service to-day: L. B. Brown, Jno. A. Farrow, E. F. Conway, Jno. E. Dempsy, J. B. Guthrie, Wm. Patrick, L. B. Binsinger, J. G. King, Sr., Sam Bear, Sr., I. J. Sternberger, Jno. W. Bryan, Chas. F. Craig, J. W. Knowles, Ezekiel Skipper, Geo. T. Sheppard. After court had adjourned yesterday Judge Peebles heard a motion by Stevens, Beasley & Weeks to set aside the judgment in the case of A. G. E. Reid, receiver of the First National Bank against Andrew J. Flanner. The motion was resisted by ex-Judge E. K. Bryan and T. W. Davis, Esq., and Judge Peebles took the papers in the case and said he would give his decision later.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR INSTALLATION.

Officers That Will Serve Carolina Lodge During Essuing Term. Carolina Lodge No. 484, Knights of Honor, last night installed officers as follows: P. G. D.—R. M. Wescott. D.—Geo. N. Harris. V. D.—A. J. Howell. A. D.—Otto Bance. Reporter—S. G. Hall. F. E.—T. O. Bunting. T.—Jno. L. Cantwell. Chaplain—Rev. J. W. Craig. Guide—R. C. Cantwell. Guard—Wm. A. Willson. Secretary—R. M. McGowan. Trustees—J. C. Cantwell, R. M. Wescott and J. M. McGowan.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Geo. L. Norton Co.—Notice. Hall and Pearsall—Fertilizer. A. D. Brown—Embroideries, finest. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—For reading light. BUSINESS LOCALS. Mechanics' Home Ass'n—New series. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas heaters.

THE POULTRY SHOW OPEN.

Magnificent Exhibition at City Hall by Wilmington P. & L. S. Association. Special Features of the Fair.

The Poultry Show opened yesterday morning and, while the "big days" are yet to come, the fair may be pronounced already a splendid success. The number of exhibits is unusually large and the fowls are the finest in three States. Every one of the four hundred coops are filled and the management is making arrangements for more. The attendance yesterday was not large, but last night there was a decidedly "something doing" with the doorkeeper and many were charmed with the exhibition. The hall in which the show is being given is comfortably heated and well lighted. One of these long evenings may be spent in no more delightful manner than in "taking in" the show. The admission is 10 cents for adults and 5 cents for children. The judging of the exhibits will begin this morning by Dr. Stephen T. Lee, of Hodges, S. C., an expert in his line. He could not reach here yesterday, owing to the fact that he missed train connection at Hamlet, but a telegram stated that he would arrive on the freight train late last night. Mr. A. S. Harrill, of Ellenboro, N. C., is the capable superintendent of the show, and he is being assisted by Mr. W. A. Bonits, of Wilmington. It is impossible to go into details as to the exhibits. Mr. Henry J. Jaeger, proprietor of the Palmetto White Faintal Lofts and Bantam Yards at Florence, S. C., has the finest exhibition of 29 coops of pigeons and pheasants ever seen here. "White Fantails are King" in the Palmetto lofts and Mr. Jaeger may well claim that he has a boss exhibit at the show. Another exhibit of pheasants is expected to-day. The general exhibition of a huge pair of racoons, a ferret, guinea pigs, cavies, Belgian hares, Angora rabbits, etc. is also very fine and is well worth a visit to the fair. A very creditable exhibit of squirrels and canaries by Mr. Jos. C. Shepard, Jr., is another feature. The "performing geese" by Mr. W. A. Bonits do a stunt on the platform at the south end of the room, which is very amusing and wonderful. The poultry show is all right and should be well patronized.

TWO FALSE FIRE ALARMS.

Tared in Last Night from Boxes 49 and 52—The Day's Record. On a bitter cold night, just ten minutes to the midnight hour, the fifty-eighth ladders of the Wilmington Fire Department hopped out of warm coots in the various stations last night and responded to two false alarms sent in quick succession from distant points in the city. The first came from box 49, Fifth and Castle streets, and no sooner had the apparatus arrived on the scene there, than a second false alarm came from box 52, Seventh and Queen streets. The firemen inclined to profanity for a while made it warm enough to cheer the spirits of their brethren who did not curse, and then all returned with no clue to the scoundrel who caused all this trouble. Other alarms yesterday called out the department at 8:10 A. M. on account of the burning out of a chimney at the residence of Mr. E. F. White, 806 Market street, and at 6:40 P. M. a small fire in the office of Mr. Dan Q. Imlin, 108 North Second street, caused a damage of about \$10.

DROPPED DEAD IN FLAT CABIN.

Young Negro Man Died Suddenly Last Night, Foot of Princess Street. William Keaton, colored, 39 years old and a laborer formerly employed in Wilmington by Flynn & Co., of this city, dropped dead last night about 7:30 o'clock in the cabin of a flat belonging to a friend and tied up in the Princess street dock. Keaton was eating a potato in the cabin and died instantly of heart failure. He had been complaining of being unwell yesterday, but expected to leave last night on the steamer *Hurt* to begin cutting cross-ties near his home in Bladen county. The death was reported to Dr. C. D. Bell, the coroner, and he came down, viewed the body and turned it over to Undertaker King for burial. Keaton married a daughter of Gus Moore, the well known colored pilot on the tug *F. and E.* and the remains will be taken to Bladen county on that boat to-day for interment. The only child of the dead man died a few months ago.

City of Fayetteville Off.

The steamer *City of Fayetteville*, Capt. Fromberger, left for Fayetteville at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning, piloted by Capt. Jeff Bradshaw, of the steamer *Hickander*. The new boat expected to reach her destination last night. President Laman, of the company, accompanied by his wife, and General Manager Cooke, were members of the party which went up upon the steamer.

A Great Peanut Year.

A dispatch from Richmond, Va., to the New York *Pucker* says: "In the neighborhood of 100,000 bags of peanuts have been brought to this market since Nov. 1, the large bulk of which have been sold on or soon after arrival. While the average in peanuts in Virginia was decreased some 15 or 20 per cent this year, and probably to a large extent in North Carolina, the yield per acre and the quality of the nuts were vastly better than in many previous years, and the planters have in consequence made money. In quality the nuts are fully matured and sold."

Former Fayetteville Man Dead.

Mr. John M. Moore, Jr., who removed to Wilmington from Fayetteville about six months ago, died yesterday afternoon at his home in this city, No. 708 South Eighth street. Mr. Jno. M. Moore, Jr., who is employed by the Southern Express Co., arrived last night and will take the remains to Fayetteville this morning.

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PARISH OF SAINT JAMES.

Poem by Mr. James Sprunt and Sketch Containing Much That is of Historical Interest. The STAR is indebted to Mr. James Sprunt for the following lines written in 1839 on the occasion of the last public service in St. James church, which was demolished and part of its material used for the erection of the present edifice, an account of the laying the corner stone of which is also given herewith. The extract is from the *Wilmington Weekly Chronicle*, a newspaper edited by Mr. Asa A. Brown in 1839: [For The Chronicle.] Begun 1751. Finished 1775. Demolished 1839. The last services in St. James Church were of course attended with more than ordinary interest, and fancy could fashion sentiments something like those of the following, passing through the minds of many of the congregation. Time honored fane which our childhood sought, On welcome sabbath hours, and hither brought, Our fond affections offering happy days' That viewed the future tinged with golden rays. As in our years advanced with stealthy pace, With hairs grayed, entered on life's race, Here did we turn for lines of heavenly truth, For tidings teaching righteousness of youth. When cares and troubles gloomed the path of life, Here sought we still fresh vigor for the strife, Helms of wisdom, and precepts here were heard, And lips devout, pronounced the inspiring word. Our fathers, too, this holy temple trod, With grateful hearts they came to worship God In courts of solemn prayer, and we we listened, And cheerful faith, with true devotion fed. Here have we gathered 'round the mournful bell, While breaking hearts scarce shed one burning tear. Here have we heard the last, long lingering strain, Or 'earth to earth' and 'dust to dust' to dwell. 'Tis to be hoped that many hearts here fell, And that the many who have seen and heard, Will not fondly love the fearful doom, Sounds there no warning voice from yonder tomb! Farwell old church, we bid thee then farewell, Yet to the parting words with sorrow swell! Thy bell tolls for us, and 'ere we part, The cord that binds us here cannot be broke at will. The ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new Church of St. James was performed on Wednesday last, 3rd April 1839. The Rev. R. B. Drane, Rector of the Parish, officiated in the absence of the Bishop of the Diocese. At 10 o'clock the congregation, and a large concourse of others, assembled at the Lecture Room, (the present place of worship) thence moved in procession to the site of the new edifice, at the S. E. corner of Market and Third Streets. The service set forth for such occasions was there gone through with, and the stone adjusted to its proper place. In the cavity of the stone, was placed the scroll, copied below together with the articles named upon it. The Rector then pronounced a very appropriate and impressive address. The day was bright and lovely, beaming auspiciously upon the scene, inspiring a cheering hope of a happy termination to the undertaking so happily begun.

PRO DEO, PRO ECCLIESIA, PRO HOMINU SALUTE.

The design of this building was by T. U. Walker, of which sum is executed under the direction of John S. Norris of New York, by John C. Wood, as principal mason and C. H. Dall as carpenter. Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid—Jesus Christ. May the gates of Hell never prevail against it. Amen. The original Parish Church of St. James was begun in this city, on the west of this spot, near the corner of the grave-yard. It was commenced in the year 1761, but not completed until 1775. In consequence of its location, (partly in the street) its decayed condition, and the inconcommodiousness of its internal arrangement, it was taken down in 1839, and a portion of its materials was used in the erection of this building. The lot upon which the present Church is erected, was purchased from Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Gen'l for the sum of One Thousand Dollars, by the Ladies' Working Society, and the Juvenile Working Society, have agreed to pay six hundred dollars. The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, Bishop of North Carolina, a native of Prince George Co., Virginia, was born in the year 1772; was ordained deacon the 15th April, 1817, and Priest the 15th May following, by the Right Rev. Richard C. Moore, (Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia); was unanimously elected Bishop of North Carolina by the Convention of the Church, held in Raleigh, in May, 1831, and was consecrated to that office by the Right Rev. Bishop White, in the city of Philadelphia, on the 22nd September, 1831, and delivered his Primsary Charge to the Convention of the Church assembled 1833. Martin Van Buren, President of the United States. Edward B. Dudley, Governor of North Carolina. Alexander Anderson, Magistrate of Police of the Town of Wilmington. Jas. F. McRae, A. J. DeRosset, Jr., W. J. Harris, B. P. Hill, Commissioners of the Town of Wilmington. John A. Lillington, Town Clerk. Population of Wilmington, 5,800. Articles deposited with this: A Bible and Prayer Book. Journal of the Con-

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Ray Sneed has returned from Greenville, N. C. Mr. T. Morgan Turrentine left last night for New York on a business trip. Mrs. J. F. Garrell and Miss Lillian Horne left yesterday for a visit to Chicago. Hon. Platt D. Walker and wife are expected from Charlotte to-day to visit friends and relatives. Mr. Hargrove Taylor, private secretary to Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, will leave to-night for Washington. Hon. John D. Bellamy, Mrs. Bellamy and their two little girls left for Washington City last evening. Mrs. S. P. Collier, Jr., son and maid passed through the city yesterday on route to their home in Tampa, Fla. Mrs. S. P. Collier accompanied them to Tampa on a visit. Mr. Benj. S. Franks, lately with Col. F. W. Kerchner, left yesterday afternoon for Raleigh to take a position with Mr. John T. Quarles. His many friends here wish him much success in his new home.

MLLE. ZELIE DeLUSSAN'S RECITAL.

Advance Sale of Seats Opened Yesterday. Programme to be Rendered Here. At the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on next Saturday evening will be heard the great metropolitan soprano, Mlle. Zelle de Lussan, and her associate, Angelo Fronani, who has been secured to accompany her on the trans-continental tour in concert. As an accompanist there is said to be not his equal out of grand opera to-day, and few to be found even in rank. The programme selected for the Southern cities to be visited on the tour, that reaches from ocean to ocean, is indeed long, beautiful and appropriate, ending with her great scene from "Carmen." The reserved seat tickets are now on sale at DeRosset's, having opened there yesterday morning, and last night quite a large number of seats were out. Prices to the Y. M. C. A. Star Course patrons will be \$1; to non-members \$1.50, and all seats must be reserved at the advance sale.

FOR ASTHMA USE CHEENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Sheppard.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Ray Sneed has returned from Greenville, N. C. Mr. T. Morgan Turrentine left last night for New York on a business trip. Mrs. J. F. Garrell and Miss Lillian Horne left yesterday for a visit to Chicago. Hon. Platt D. Walker and wife are expected from Charlotte to-day to visit friends and relatives. Mr. Hargrove Taylor, private secretary to Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, will leave to-night for Washington. Hon. John D. Bellamy, Mrs. Bellamy and their two little girls left for Washington City last evening. Mrs. S. P. Collier, Jr., son and maid passed through the city yesterday on route to their home in Tampa, Fla. Mrs. S. P. Collier accompanied them to Tampa on a visit. Mr. Benj. S. Franks, lately with Col. F. W. Kerchner, left yesterday afternoon for Raleigh to take a position with Mr. John T. Quarles. His many friends here wish him much success in his new home.

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