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# The Morning Star.

## OUTLINES.

Two white children murdered across the bay from Mobile, Ala. — The sheriff of St. Charles parish, La., was shot and killed by a negro prisoner. — Edward Weathers stabbed and killed in New Orleans Sunday night; the murderer escaped. — Minister Bowen, acting for Venezuela, pledges 80 per cent. of the receipts at Porto Cabello and LaGuaira in return for the raising of the blockade. — Eli Rogers, in Union county, N. C., killed a negro boy and white girl; he is said to be insane. — Volunteer forces in a fight with larders in the Philippines were defeated and three Americans were killed. — An ineffectual attempt to rob the bank at Moncksville, N. C., was made yesterday morning. — Barge Jennie Hughes was lost Sunday off the Delaware coast; captain and crew were rescued. — James Wray, a farmer of Franklin county, Va., killed his daughter and himself. — The first shipment of twenty-six bales of West African cotton were sold in Liverpool at eleven cents per pound. — New York markets: Money on call steady at 3 1/4 per cent.; rosin firm; spirits turpentine firm, 63 1/2; cotton quiet at 8 1/2; for middling uplands; flour was quieter but still in buyers' favor; wheat—spot easy, No. 3 red 83 1/2; corn—spot dull, No. 2, 62 1/2; oats—spot dull, No. 2, 44c.

## WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,  
WEATHER BUREAU,  
WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 26.  
Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:  
Temperatures: 8 A. M., 35 degrees; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.  
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since last month to date, 3.33 inches.  
Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 9 feet.  
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—For North Carolina—Rain Tuesday and Wednesday; light southeast winds.  
PORT ALMANAC—JANUARY 27.  
Sun Rises..... 7:03 A. M.  
Sun Sets..... 5:23 P. M.  
Day's Length..... 10 H. 19 M.  
High Water at Southport..... 7:27 P. M.  
High Water Wilmington..... 9:57 P. M.

In Minneapolis the burglars have gone to stealing coal, and passing by silverware, jewels and other truck.

The Philadelphia Press thinks there ought to be election reform in Wisconsin. Coming from a Republican Philadelphia newspaper, this is probably a joke.

Perhaps the reason why that Staten Island, N. Y., Congressman has told of the attempt to bribe him with \$5,000, was that he got mad at the value they put upon him as a member of the House Naval Committee.

It is said that J. Ogden Armour has control of 20,000,000 bushels of wheat and the market cornered. He could force the price up until his profits would be between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000. Of course this means dearer bread for bread eaters. It ought to be made a penitentiary offense to corner foodstuffs.

In the event that the law be carried out and the death penalty inflicted on Col. Arthur Lynch for fighting on the side of the Boers, he has the comfort of knowing that he will not be "hanged, drawn and quartered" according to the old style, but simply hanged (which he will not be.) As it is, the speed of with which he is convicted looks like a case of Lynch law.

That sleeping sickness in British East Africa is becoming a serious thing, not only because it is said to be invariably fatal, but because it is spreading into other sections, and is regarded as contagious. It is, as reported, a new disease, but over 70,000 people have died of it, and it is estimated that as many as 15,000 are now suffering from it. It is one of the ailments that doctors do not as yet understand, but it is probably some microbe that attacks the brain.

In tearing down an old chimney in Philadelphia the other day the workmen struck a little Klondike not unlike the yellow stuff but of the stuff already coined. In shovelling up the stuff to haul it away the cartman discovered a glittering something which proved to be a gold coin. This led to a search in which the boys of the neighborhood joined. The driver scooped out \$75, one man \$100, one \$5, another \$50 and scores picked up \$5, \$10 and \$20 pieces. At last accounts none of the finders were depositors.

## SAVED AS IF BY A MIRACLE.

Captain and Crew After Fifty-two Hours in Yawl Boat Landed from Sunken Barquette—Many Accidents.

[Special Star Telegram.]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., Jan. 26.—The crew of the barquette Nineneh arrived at the Life Saving Station this evening. The Nineneh was sunk last Thursday. The crew after fifty-two hours in a small boat were all saved and landed at Lockwood's Folly. Particulars are very meagre. The captain refuses any information.

The American barquette Nineneh, 442 tons, Capt. Gilbert, sailed from New York for Mayport, Jan. 18th, today two weeks ago. The following day she was reported off Cape Hatteras leaking badly. The steamer City of Savannah, bound from Northeast End Lightship to Overfalls. On the following day again she was anchored in Delaware Bay, about twelve miles above Delaware Breakwater. The tug Janchoe went to her assistance and the leak was found in her bowport and stopped. Friday a week ago she proceeded and that was the last heard of her until the crew, after a siege of hardship and privation, were landed in their yawl boat at Lockwood's Folly, whence they proceeded to the life saving station.

The Nineneh was owned in New York but was built in Boston in 1874. She drew 17 feet of water; carried a crew of seven and was 126 feet long. It is presumed Capt. Gilbert and crew will come up to the city to-day and communicate with the owners of the ill-fated craft.

## LOCAL DOTS.

—A thoroughly competent compositor accustomed to newspaper work may secure employment by applying at the STAR office.

—Edgar L. Mintz, a printing pressman of this city, has enlisted in the U. S. navy as a fireman and left Saturday night for the Brooklyn navy yard.

—The annual meeting of the Merchants' Association will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the S. A. L. building. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

—The annual Spring catalogue of the old and reliable seed house of Messrs. T. W. Wood & Sons, Richmond, Va., is just out and will be of unusual interest to all planters. It will be mailed free for the asking.

—The remains of the late B. L. Wendenfeller, who died suddenly at the Orton Saturday night, were sent by express to his home at Charlotte Sunday afternoon and the funeral was conducted from the Catholic church in that city.

## Steamer City of Fayetteville.

The steamer City of Fayetteville cleared Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock for the return up the Cape Fear. She brought on the last trip, in addition to a large amount of factory goods for shipment to New York, one hundred bales of cotton for Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. She will arrive to-day with another cargo of cotton from Fayetteville. Chief Engineer L. L. Moses of the steamer has been succeeded as chief by Assistant Chief James H. W. Maulesey, and Engineer David Jones, formerly with the Atlantic Coast Line, has become assistant chief to succeed Mr. Maulesey.

## Sneak Thieves Recommended.

The four negro youths jailed last week by Constable Savage for sneaking into the city, were brought before Justice Fowler yesterday afternoon for preliminary trial, but in the absence of Herbert McClammy, Esq., counsel for one of them, the investigation was postponed until Wednesday at 8:30 P. M. Enough was learned, however, to warrant the discharge of Tom Lane, one of the negroes, who could not be connected with the affair. The others were recommended to jail for further investigation Wednesday. Three of the several watches stolen have been recovered in pieces.

## Coast Line Redistricted.

Savannah News, 26th: "Official announcement is made that the Atlantic Coast Line system has been subdivided into six districts, instead of three, as formerly. The new districts are to be called the Richmond, the Norfolk, the Fayetteville, the Wilmington, the Charleston and the Columbia districts. J. E. Fountaine, of Richmond, Va. has been appointed acting superintendent of the Wilmington district, with headquarters at Wilmington, N. C.; W. H. Newell, assistant superintendent of transportation at Norfolk, has been appointed superintendent of the Norfolk division, with headquarters at Norfolk; E. R. Woolen is the superintendent of the Fayetteville district, with headquarters at Rocky Mount."

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. D. Brown—Three specials. Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Special notice.

## BUSINESS LOCALS.

Strayed—White setter. Notice—Worsted shawl. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas heaters.

For Asthma use CHE-NEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepherd.

## DIVIDE SCHOOL FUND.

Stubbs Introduced a Bill in the Legislature That Caused a Mild Sensation.

## EACH RACE FOR ITSELF.

Supt. Mann Denies Damaging Newspaper Report as to Cruelty to Penitentiary Convicts—Senator Morton Preceding—Avalanche of Bills.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 26.—Representative Stubbs, of Martin county, sprung a sensation on the Legislature today by introducing a bill to amend the constitution so as to give the white race the benefit of its school taxes.

Section one provides that article nine, section two, of the constitution be amended by striking out all after "school in line eight" and insert the following: "the taxes for school purposes collected from the property and polls of the white race shall be kept separate and apart from the colored race and applied exclusively for the education of children of school age of the white race; and the taxes for school purposes from the property and polls of the colored race shall be kept separate and apart from the white race and applied exclusively for the education of the children of school age of the colored race."

Section two provides that the amendment shall be submitted at the next general election in 1904 to the qualified voters of the State.

The Stubbs bill is in line with Senator Bellamy's bill to allow school districts or townships to vote special school taxes by races.

Speaker pro tem Morton presided over the House to-day.

Notable bills introduced other than Stubbs' school fund bill were: Doucette, to incorporate North State Trust Co.

Fuller, to amend the code so as to prohibit the sale of liquor to minors, idiots and lunatics.

First, to prohibit the intermarriage of first cousins.

Davidson, to regulate the practice and proceedings in special proceedings.

Among the bills passed were: To enable Sampson county to pay indebtedness caused by smallpox and to increase the number of commissioners of Wayne.

The Senate took a very short session. Important bill introduced were: Godwin, to prohibit kissing the Bible in taking oaths, by certain officials of the Superior Court.

Webb, to allow judges to limit argument of counsel in all trials, except in capital cases.

Lamb, to amend the law of 1899, appointing a board of managers for the Colored Normal school in Fayetteville.

Warren to allow persons to sell books without paying a license.

House bill to increase clerk hire appropriation for Insurance Department from \$1,000 to \$1,600.

To incorporate the People's Mutual Accident and Sick Benefit Co., of Charlotte.

To incorporate Chapel Hill Trolley Car Co.

To appoint justices of the peace in Columbus county.

Superintendent Mann of the Penitentiary issued a statement to-night denouncing as utterly false a report sent out from Raleigh that "a truly Siberian scene of convict cruelty" occurred a few days since in marching 180 convicts from Pine Bluff, Mitchell county, to be brought on the train to Raleigh and that two convicts died en route, others having footprints of blood on the road. Supt. Mann says the trip was made without accident or special hardship; that none have died or are sick from the march.

## The Senatorial Situation.

Nothing has developed in the Senatorial fight and members hesitate to prognosticate as to the result of the Democratic caucus to-morrow night. Some said to-day they fully expected a nomination last Friday. None was made and they see no change since then. The fight seems interminable. Overman said to-night he was confident of ultimate victory and is deeply grateful for the loyalty of his friends, who assure him they are with him to the end.

Watson said: "I fully expect to get the nomination; perhaps to-morrow night. If not then, I soon thereafter, I am bound to win."

Craig repeats his previous statement: "My friends hold the key to the situation. I have reason to feel encouraged at developments."

## Miss Burtt is Boston.

In an account of a recital at the New England Conservatory of Music last week, a Boston correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says of Miss Elizabeth D. Burtt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Burtt, of this city, who is a student there: "A North Carolina girl achieved a distinct triumph last evening at the pupils' recital. Although it was her first public appearance in Boston, and that before a critical audience of trained musicians, the unusual verdict was that the fair North Carolinian has remarkable talent, and unless all signs fail will one day become an artist of note in the great world of music."

## Steamer Sanders on Trial.

Capt. Fred B. Rice, the popular steamboat inspector, while in the city yesterday, gave the new steamer Sanders a trial trip, under low steam, about the harbor. The purpose was to ascertain for the owners if all the machinery was in line, etc. "It worked like a sewing machine," said Capt. Rice. "We will inspect her in about ten days and then she'll be ready for traffic. She's a trim little boat."

## BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Master Robert Payne Fatally Injured Yesterday Afternoon by Accidental Discharge of Companion's Gun.

Master Robert Payne, 15 years old, and a son of Mr. Jas. F. Payne, of this city, was fatally wounded by the accidental discharge of a gun near the Brunswick river bridge, about two miles from Wilmington, in Brunswick county, late yesterday afternoon. The unfortunate boy, after having been brought to the city, died this morning at 12:15 o'clock at the hospital, although everything possible was done for him. At first, his condition gave hope, but about 11 o'clock he began to give way to exhaustion from great loss of blood and the end came peacefully at the hour stated.

The boy, with two others about his own age—Masters Robert James and Chesley Bellamy—were resting on the road from a hunt which they were enjoying over the river. The gun belonging to young Bellamy accidentally fell to the roadway and one of the barrels was discharged, the entire loss of bird shot and wadding taking effect just behind the left knee of young Payne, frightfully severing an artery, which bled profusely. The boys, however, stood bravely and as soon as possible they secured a conveyance and brought their wounded companion to the city. The injured boy was met by Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy and carried to the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where he died last night.

Young Payne was decidedly popular in the city; strong, manly and much admired by his companions. He was a member of the junior class of the High School and many of his school mates were anxious last night as to his condition, which was not regarded alarming. With the best of treatment that he received he was expected out soon. His companions, who were with him at the time of the accident, express great regret at the affair and they have borne themselves bravely and coolly under the circumstances. Chesley Bellamy is a son of Mr. Marden Bellamy and Robert James is a son of Capt. T. O. James, both of this city. They were personally complimented by Capt. Walter Mackie, an uncle of the victim of the unfortunate tragedy, for their bravery in doing all in their power for the life of the boy. He was wounded about 4:30 o'clock and reached the hospital about 7:30 P. M., where Dr. Jos. Akerman, Dr. Bellamy and Dr. Frank H. Russell did all in their power for him.

The grief-stricken mother and other members of the family have the sincerest sympathy of the community in their deep bereavement. There are surviving three sisters, Miss Elizabeth Payne, of this city, Mr. May Payne, of St. Mary's College at Raleigh, and Mrs. Cameron MacRae, of Chapel Hill. One brother, Mr. J. Harvey Payne, resides in Boston, Mass. Absent members of the family were telegraphed this morning of the sad tragedy.

## ORIGINAL QUAKER MALE QUARTETTE.

Engagement Last Night at the Y. M. C. A.

Was a Delightful Success.

The original Quaker Male Quartette appeared at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last night as the fifth number of the Star Course and for two hours delightfully entertained a large audience. The programme was an excellent one—most pleasing as to variety. Throughout the first part the quartette appeared in rich, picturesque Quaker costumes, and during the latter in the conventional dress suits.

The programme opened with a charming rendition of Buck's "Lead, Kindly Light," by the Quartette, and was followed by several other similar renditions of enjoyment, interspersed with recitations, vocal and instrumental solos. The features of the evening were the basso singing of Mr. N. L. Baker and several superb violin solos by Mr. Joref Basline. The former gentleman was especially a favorite, and after one number, had to respond to four hearty encores. His singing, by request, of the "Holy City" was indeed a delightful treat. During much of his work he introduced a pleasing comedy vein.

Another greatly appreciated number was the "Arab's Bride," sung by Mr. A. W. Cords, the baritone soloist of the Quartette.

The large audience enjoyed each and every number and heartily applauded accordingly.

## Palmetto Manager Here.

Mr. William Mill Butler, of Philadelphia, general manager of the Palmetto Company, which recently purchased the pine product factory on Smith's Creek, near this city, arrived in Wilmington yesterday and is a guest at the Orton. A short time ago the STAR gave an account of the new industry and Mr. Butler now comes to make arrangements for beginning work at the earliest possible moment. The machines for making the fibre from the palmetto have been perfected and will be installed in the factory very soon.

## Building Permits Wanted.

Application has been made for the following building permits: Capt. Jan. Barry, two-story frame dwelling on Fifth, between Campbell and Hanover streets. Fore & Foster Co., two-story metal roof annex to mill on Fifth and Campbell streets. Mrs. Jane Stewart, two-story, five-room frame dwelling with tin roof, on Sixth between Ann and Nun streets. Henry G. Cobb, one-story, five-room dwelling on Tenth, between Red Cross and Campbell streets.

## HEAVY DAMAGE SUIT.

Case of G. H. Huttaff Vs. Wilmington Sewerage Co. Begun in Superior Court.

PLAINTIFF ASKS FOR \$35,000.

Complaint and Answer Read and Testimony of Witnesses is Being Heard. Defendant Has Philadelphia Counsel—Other Matters.

The January term of New Hanover Superior Court for the trial of civil cases was convened at 10 A. M. yesterday, Judge Robert B. Peebles, of Northampton county, presiding. Practically all of the opening day's session was taken up with the hearing of the \$35,000 damage suit brought by George H. Huttaff against the Wilmington Sewerage Company, the general nature of which is known to readers of these columns. When court took a recess for the day at 6 o'clock yesterday evening, a jury to try the issues in the cases had been selected.

The complaint and answer had been read and three witnesses for the plaintiff had been examined. The hearing will be resumed at 10 A. M. to-day.

Mr. Huttaff is represented in the case by Messrs. Herbert McClammy, Bellamy & Bellamy and Russell & Gore. The sewerage company has for its counsel ex-Judge E. K. Bryan and Mr. J. H. McNeal, of the firm of DeKlender & McNeal, Philadelphia, Pa. Witnesses here for the defendant are Maj. Chauncey Ives, chief engineer, and Mr. F. A. Paddock, assistant engineer, of the Wilmington Sewerage Co.; Mr. Wm. McLean, of Wm. McLean & Co., contractors, and Mr. William Gamble, foreman for Wm. McLean & Co. All are from Philadelphia.

Fifty talesmen were summoned from whom the jury was selected before the recess for dinner yesterday. The jury is as follows, the issues being the same as are usually submitted in damage suits of like character: T. F. Tyler, R. A. Culpepper, W. M. Cummings, D. B. Sellers, J. C. Shepard, J. H. Holton, A. Nelson, I. Shrier, E. I. Bear, T. E. Davis, C. H. Ward, L. V. Carroll.

## The Complaint in the Case.

The complaint in the suit alleges, after observing the usual formalities, that by the terms of the charter of the defendant company it was authorized to establish a system of sewerage in, under and through the streets and alleys of the city, "under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Aldermen of this city" and by the ordinance of the said city the duty to securely cover, or fence in said excavations, when not working thereon, so as to guard against accident, is imposed upon every person lawfully travelling on said street and prior to March 23rd, 1902, the defendant excavated a deep trench on Wood, between Hall and Moore streets, and recklessly and negligently failed to securely cover, or fence in said excavation, and without proper protection or notice to citizens and travellers against accident; that on the night of March 2nd, 1902, the plaintiff was lawfully travelling on said street and wholly unaware of danger was accidentally and "without fault or negligence on his part precipitated into said trench, whereby he received great bodily injury and was made sick, sore, lame and permanently disabled and during all the time which has elapsed since he suffered said accident he has thereby suffered great pain, and was thereby then and there, and still is, permanently hindered from attending to his business, and was, and will be put to great expense in trying to be cured, and still continues to suffer great pain of body by means of such injuries to his damage \$35,000, together with costs of the suit.

## Defendant's Answer to Complaint.

The defendant answering the complaint admits all formal allegations and that part of it in regard to the issuance of the charter by the General Assembly, but in regard to the ordinance of the city it is stated that the defendant "has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations, and therefore denies that he is bound to the plaintiff by the duty of strict proof thereof." It is denied that the excavations were "recklessly and negligently left open," etc., and for a further denial to the question the answer says that the places at which it is informed the plaintiff fell into the excavation was not upon one of the public streets, but was upon the private premises of the defendant and plaintiff went upon same premises, if he went upon the same, without the knowledge or consent of the defendant.

It is also set forth that all the excavations for the system of sewerage were made by the firm of Wm. McLean & Co., and were made upon their own contract and the defendant was to have nothing to do with the system of sewerage under said contract until the system was entirely laid and completed and turned over to them, and that defendant was not to be liable for any neglect, default or negligence of the contracting firm and the system of sewerage was not the property of the Wilmington Sewerage Co. until the same had been fully completed and turned over to the company, and the injury to plaintiff was not caused by the negligence of defendant but by negligent conduct of plaintiff, and that if any injury occurred it was due to contributory negligence.

## Testimony of Witnesses.

The hearing of testimony commenced at 8 o'clock. The evidence is being taken by Miss Stella Shrier, as official court stenographer. The plaintiff, Mr. Huttaff was first introduced and told of his injuries and how they were received. Photographs of the excavation and scenes about the spot where he was injured were exhibited by both plaintiff's and defendant's counsel. Maps of the city, defining its streets, will be later introduced.

Drs. Andrew H. Harris and Jos. C. Shepard were next examined as to the plaintiff's injuries and general condition. They had each attended Mr. Huttaff as his physician. Dr. Harris testified that Huttaff was hurt seriously and permanently; that he had a back-

## ward curvature of the spine; also a compression of the spinal cord and a wasting of the left leg and thigh, with partial loss of sensation.

To-day City Clerk and Treasurer King will testify as to the ordinances of the city governing excavations and Dr. O. T. Harper, city superintendent of health and secretary of the Board of Health, will testify as to any regulations that may have been passed by the Board, governing sewerage laying.

Yesterday, upon motion of defendant's counsel, a physician of their own choosing was delegated to examine Mr. Huttaff's injuries as they now appear, the plaintiff, however, having been given privilege of having representation. Dr. T. S. Burbank examined into Mr. Huttaff's condition during the dinner recess.

The only other case set for trial yesterday was that of the A. O. L. B. R. Co. vs. A. H. Stouten. This matter was reported settled and Judge Peebles said he would draw up the judgment later. A case set for to-day is a damage suit by T. G. Williams vs. Interstate Telephone Co. It has been continued. It would have been displaced anyway by the Huttaff case, which will probably last several days and go to the Supreme Court, in any event.

## BURGLARIES SUNDAY MORNING.

Store and Three Residences Entered by Unknown Persons—No Clues.

Three burglaries or attempts at burglary were committed in the city Saturday night and Sunday morning before day in different sections of the city.

The one of most consequence, perhaps, was that of the office of the B. F. Mitchell Company, on Water, near Princess street. Before the store was closed Saturday night, some one secreted himself among large quantities of hay, peanuts and other goods in the store and when everybody had departed, the thief made bold enough to come into the office, smash a number of drawers in several desks, rob them of a small amount of mutilated coin and then he withdrew quietly through a door opening upon an alley on the south side of the store. A key to one of the side doors was taken from a nail in the office and papers and other articles were scattered all over the floor. The safe in the office was found intact by Mr. Charles J. Mitchell, the proprietor, when he discovered the robbery Sunday afternoon.

About 8 o'clock Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. Nathan Schloss and Mr. James R. Bear, 19 South Fifth street, a window was raised and a negro was discovered in the act of crawling through it by Mrs. Schloss. She screamed, but before the male member of the family had aroused sufficiently to effect a capture the negro had fled. Nothing was stolen.

A burglar entered the residence of Mr. A. Silvermann, corner of Seventh and Princess streets, early Sunday morning and stole \$1.50 in change from Mr. Silvermann's clothes. The thief entered the residence through a window. In a bureau drawer not three feet from the clothes was \$50, but it was not found.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. A. J. Martin, of Hamlet, was an arrival at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. William E. Ashley, of Lumberton, was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

—Fayetteville Observer, 26th: "Mr. Harry McGirt, of Wilmington, is here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. T. A. Smoot."

—Fayetteville Observer, 26th: "Mrs. W. H. Pemberton, of Wilmington, is spending the day in the city with Miss Fan Williams."

—Miss Ella G. Tayloe gave a delightful reception at Washington, N. C., last week in honor of Miss Louise Knight, of Wilmington and Baltimore.

—Mr. W. W. Shaw, of Durham, general manager of the Interstate Telephone Company, arrived yesterday on business connected with the local exchange.

## A. C. L. BRANCH DEPARTMENT.

J. A. Huake Will Have Charge of Freight Claim Office in Fayetteville.

The Fayetteville Observer of yesterday afternoon says that the Atlantic Coast Line will establish a branch of its freight claim department in that city, with Mr. J. A. Huake, formerly of Wilmington, in charge. The Observer further says:

"This department will have charge of all unclaimed freight, and 'over' freight from all over the vast system. All unclaimed and 'over' or lost freight will be shipped to this place, thus saving the present tedious and unsatisfactory tracing system. The offices will be established in the old O. F. & Y. passenger depot, and Mr. Huake will have under him an assistant and several clerks."

The old A. C. L. freight depot, now occupied by the Armfield Company, will be used for a storage warehouse."

## Extra Train on the Carolina Central.

Commencing with yesterday, the Seaboard Air Line put on a train between Wilmington and Hamlet, carrying combination coach for baggage and passengers, which will run on the following schedule: Leave Wilmington daily at 8 P. M., arriving at Hamlet at 5:40 A. M. Leave Hamlet at 11 P. M. and arrive at Wilmington at 8:30 A. M. Pouch mail will be handled on this train as soon as the necessary arrangements are made with the post office department.

## THE MARKETS AND SHIPPING.

Clyde Liner Carib Arrived Sunday Night. Vessels in Distress at Southport. Arrival of British Steamer.

Spirits turpentine was firm at 59 1/2 cents bid on the local market yesterday; receipts 15 cases.

The steamer Dancery, in distress at Southport, was hauled off the shoals yesterday morning and part of her cargo of cotton was taken out. She is still full of water.

The British steamer Estuary, 1,294 tons, Capt. Horsfield, arrived Sunday from Savannah, Ga. and is at Southport, awaiting orders from her consignees, Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Standard Oil Barge No. 90, which was ashore just inside the Cape Fear River on Saturday, came up to the city in tow of the tug Alexander Jones and Blanche yesterday. She was drawing over 20 feet of water and comes with a supply of oil for the State branch of the company in this city.

The Clyde Line steamer Carib, one of the most handsome on a Southern schedule of that company, arrived in port Sunday night from Jacksonville, Fla., via Georgetown, S. C., and will sail to-day direct for New York. The Carib is in command of the gallant Capt. I. K. Chichester, who is well known here. He last came to Wilmington as master of the Clyde steamer Algonquin. The Carib has taken the place of the Geo. W. Clyde on this run and will come in the future on the regular schedule. She carries both freight and passengers and is the largest of the company's line ever sent to Wilmington. Her length is 301 feet; gross tonnage, 3,087. She has accommodations for 36 first class passengers and her every appointment for that service is ideal.

The Norwegian barque Freidig, 649 tons, Capt. Christensen, from Barbadore, arrived at quarantine at 6 P. M. yesterday. The schooner J. C. Stravbridge, 758 tons, Capt. Coombs, from Boston for cross-ties, passed up the river at the same hour.

## RICHMOND NEWSPAPER CHANGES.

Times Takes Over the Dispatch and the Leader Goes to the News.

[Charlotte Observer, 25th.] The telegraphic report this morning announces an important newspaper change in Richmond, and one very interesting to newspaper men, at least. The Times, one of the morning papers, takes over The Dispatch, the other morning paper, and The Leader, which is the afternoon edition of The Times, is consolidated with The News, the afternoon edition of The Dispatch. This will give Richmond one morning and one afternoon paper. The Richmond News was established two or three years ago, supposedly by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, with A. B. Williams, formerly of the Greenville, S. C. News, as editor, and The Dispatch changed hands about a year ago, passing, it was believed, under the control of the Seaboard. The Times, which has just bought The Dispatch, is owned by Mr. Joseph Bryan, a heavy stockholder in the Richmond Locomotive Works, a director in the Southern Railway Company, and a gentleman of large wealth. The consolidations will doubtless insure to the benefit of all parties at interest, but it is a radical change in Richmond journalism which affects the identity of The Richmond Dispatch, a veritable landmark in the newspaper world.

## Coast Line Conductors.

Florence Times: "In addition to the increase of wages of through freight conductors published in this paper recently, it is learned that the conductors on local freights have also been given a raise, which is very satisfactory. The local freight conductors will receive three cents a mile and thirty cents an hour overtime. It is said that the three cents a mile rate will increase the salary from \$5 to \$15, according to the run, beside the amount they will receive for overtime. This increase will date from the 1st of January."

—Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Mr. J. F. L. Armfield and Maj. B. R. Huake will be among the City of Fayetteville's passengers to Wilmington this afternoon."

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## Printer Wanted.