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**The Morning Star.**
**OUTLINES.**

Fifty persons were killed or wounded on both sides by the bomb throwing at Salonia. — Application has been made for a fourth trial of Howard Goebel. — Two negro boys and several valuable horses burned to death in a fire on Long Island. — Passenger train on the N. & W. railroad wrecked and firemen killed. — Arrangements for the Confederate reunion at New Orleans are progressing rapidly. — Rev. Ferdinand Walker, a Catholic priest, is in jail at Elyria, O., charged with the murder of Miss Agatha Rehlin. — President Roosevelt addressed a small crowd at Poplar, Ky., yesterday morning; at Junction City he was greeted by 12-60000 people. — A monument to the Confederate army and navy was unveiled yesterday in Baltimore. — A bill has been filed in the U. S. court at Jackson, Miss., to enjoin the recent advance in freight rates on pine lumber by railroads in that State. — Eight thousand men in the building trades in Philadelphia are idle. — Another fall of rock is expected at the town of Frank, N. W. T. — King Edward was present at military manoeuvres near Paris by a large body of troops, and was afterwards a guest of the municipality of Paris. — Benny Langer got the decision over Kid Broad in a twenty round fight at Louisville, Ky. — York markets: Money on call nominal; cotton—dull at 10.75; flour had a fair trade; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red, 82; corn—spot firm, No. 2 55; oats—spot steady, No. 2 38; rosin steady; spirits turpentine nominal at 44.

**WEATHER REPORT.**

**U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., May 2.**  
 Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:  
 Temperature: 9 A. M., 48 degrees; 11 A. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 47 degrees; rainfall, 54 degrees.  
 Rainfall for the day, .14; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 0.14 inch.

**COTTON REGION BULLETIN.**  
 Drier rains have fallen on the South Atlantic coast; elsewhere in the cotton belt the weather has been generally fair. Temperatures have risen somewhat in the western, remained nearly stationary in the central, and fallen in the eastern districts. Some frosts are reported in Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee.

**FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.**  
 WASHINGTON, May 2.—For North Carolina: Fair Sunday and Monday; slowly rising temperature; light to fresh northeasterly winds becoming southeasterly.

**Port Almanac—May 3.**  
 Sun Rises..... 5:06 A. M.  
 Sun Sets..... 6:49 P. M.  
 Day's Length..... 13 H. 43 M.  
 High Water at Southport..... 11:00 A. M.  
 High Water Wilmington..... 2:30 A. M.

It has reported that baking powder trust sells \$3,500,000 worth of powder in Missouri every year, it ought to be able to blow in some \$1,000 bills in the Legislature.

One of the Florida solons who doesn't seem to enjoy the business of law making wants the Legislature to meet only once in four years and not stay long then.

There seems to be a good many "harmony" Democratic dinners these days. But the Democrats of the country are not half as much interested in those dinners as they are in harmony.

A Utah girl who had slept for fifty-seven days, in spite of the efforts of the doctors to arouse her, was finally aroused by a dose of cold water. She was probably not accustomed to water.

Wm. K. Vanderbilt had a "quiet" marriage over there in London, but the minister that married him isn't having a quiet time, for his brother ministers are making it hot for him and his bishop has unfrocked him.

Away back there 2,300 years before the Christian era they had a divorce law in Assyria, where, if the wife was wasteful, foolish or what she should not be, her husband could "put her away," send her adrift, and not pay her any alimony either.

The Kansas people keep coming up against trouble. The Legislature had hardly passed the law prohibiting the eating of snakes, lizards, rats, polecats, scorpions, tarantulas, &c., when the Beef Trust ran up the price of meat.

When Dr. Lyman Abbott was speaking on "Negro and Manhood Suffrage," at the closing exercises of Hampton Normal School a few days ago by a slip of the tongue he said "let suffrage come first and then manhood." His attention was called to his slip when he thus corrected it. "The mistake I have just made is the one we all made forty years ago, when the negro was given suffrage before demonstrating his manhood."

**BERRY PRICES DECLINING.**

Movement Through South Rocky Mount, However, About as Heavy as Usual, New York Truck Quotations.

Although the prices have weakened to some extent, strawberries continue to go North in very large quantities. Friday's shipments amounted to 79 cars and 2,787 crates by Southern express. Pittsburg received the largest shipment—13 cars and 3 crates by express—while Boston came next with 11 cars; Boston, 6 cars; Elmira, 5 cars; Springfield, Mass., Cleveland and Columbus, 4 cars each; Erie, Utica, Albany and Detroit, 3 cars each; Hartford, Savannah and Syracuse, 2 cars each; New York, 1 car and 536 crates; Newark, 1 car and 341 crates; Washington, 1 car and 433 crates; Providence, Worcester, New Haven, Pittsfield, Norwich, Bridgeport, Waterbury, Ithaca, Toronto, New Bedford and Watertown, N. Y., one car each; Philadelphia, 597 crates by express, Baltimore, 510 crates; Wilmington, Del., 306 crates; Chester, Pa., 132 crates; Richmond, Va., 288 crates; Virginia points, 28 crates; North Carolina, 6 crates.

Leading quotations Friday were: New York, 8 to 15; Philadelphia, 10 to 15; Washington, 10 to 13; Boston, 12 to 15; Pittsburg, 11 to 14. The following special telegram was received last night relative to the New York berry and vegetable market yesterday: NEW YORK, May 2.—On account of excessive receipts and generally poor condition, the berry market is demoralized. Prices to-day ranged from six to twelve cents. Peas are active at \$1.25 to \$1.50. Cabbage brought from \$1.25 to \$1.50. Fancy lettuce sold at \$3. J. & G. LIPPMANN, Wholesale Produce Commission Merchants.

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**DISORDERLY NEGROES**

**One Was Brought Tumbling Down an Embankment by Policeman's Bullet.**

**ANOTHER SHOT IN THE HEAD.**

Policeman Frank George Winged a "Festive Bird," Who Was Shooting in the Street-Fell Down Railroad Grade and Broke a Thigh.

One negro at least who seems to have deemed it his privilege to carry a pistol and indulge in all manner of rioting in the streets on a Saturday night has come to grief. He bears the picturesque name of Willie Watson and is laid up at the James Walker Memorial Hospital with a bullet wound in his thigh and another leg broken as the result of a hop skip and a jump over the railroad embankment at Ninth and Bladen streets, where he hoped to elude two angry policemen at whom he had just snapped his pocket fowling piece.

Watson, with several other negroes, was making things dangerous for pedestrians about 11:30 o'clock last night in the vicinity named. He had just fired off his pistol in the street and Policeman I. F. Huggins had just caught him in the act and had laid hands upon him, to arrest him. The negro was violent and jerked loose. The policeman Frank George had seen the predicament of his fellow officer and came to Mr. Huggins' assistance. The negro didn't like the appearance of Officer George, for he is a mortal terror to the colored population. As soon as he was loose and Mr. George came on him he began snapping his pistol at the officer but it failed to fire. Then the officer drew his pistol and as the negro rose upon the top of the embankment he fired. The negro tumbled down by the railroad track, a distance of about 25 feet, and very soon he was at the police patrol on his way to the hospital for repairs. Hall Officer J. A. Martin and others, who carried the negro to the hospital, found the pistol on the ground where Watson had fallen.

At the hospital Dr. Akerman, the surgeon in charge, found that the ball had entered the negro's thigh in the fleshy part from behind, going all the way through and coming out at the front. His other thigh was also broken as the result of the fall down the embankment. Watson is 28 or 27 years of age and was drinking when arrested. He will probably be laid up for several weeks as the result of his injuries.

In the same crowd with Watson, Policeman Wood arrested John Cooper, another young negro, upon whom was found mental knucks.

About 1 o'clock this morning at Fourth and Taylor streets there was another gang of disorderly negroes with firearms. They were shooting indiscriminately in the streets, but none of them was arrested. Charles Hines, one of the number, was accidentally shot in the top of the head and was taken to the hospital by the police. He says a "friend" shot him accidentally. He has a scalp wound on top of the head which amounts to nothing.

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**MME. NORDICA ENGAGEMENT.**

Famous Singer and Celebrated Orchestra Appeared Last Evening—Concert This Evening for Worthy Benefit.

However magnificent may have been the success from an artistic standpoint of the Nordica engagement at the Academy of Music last night, the financial triumph of the event was evidently by no means overwhelming. There were about 200 vacant seats on the first floor and perhaps as many as 25 in the gallery. At no time was the standing room of the house endangered. It is learned from authoritative sources that the receipts did not come up to the amount of the guarantee, but there was no curtailment of the programme upon that account. Mme. Nordica appeared three times and was thrice given a double encore.

Delleszke, who was singing at Charlotte, did not go near the theatre during the evening, but remained at The Orion. This was an appropriate and many; especially to a large number of patrons, who came from a distance and expected to hear him.

Mr. J. S. Dux, the millionaire leader of the celebrated orchestra bearing his name, was very graceful and proved himself an eminent director. It was announced upon the conclusion of the appearance last evening that a sacred concert would be given this (Sunday) afternoon for the benefit of the Catherine Kennedy Home.

Mme. Nordica, however, will not sing and an announcement to that effect was made from the stage. The prices will be \$1.50, \$1.00 and 50 cents.

The audience which heard Mme. Nordica and the Dux Metropolitan Opera House Orchestra last evening was perhaps the most fashionable of the season. This was true not only of the Wilmington people who attended, but those who came from a distance.

A large number of persons, who were either staggered by the prices or were disinclined to pay more for what Charlotte and other places received for less, gathered on the outside of the theatre and heard what they could. Whether this was the graceful thing to do, however, is for the "outsiders" to say.

The Nordica party arrived at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon on a special train from Baltimore, where they had an engagement on the evening previous. Accompanying them were Mr. R. E. Johnson, the manager, and his wife. Most of the party are guests at The Orion.

Mr. Dux is a close friend of the brother-in-law in New York of Mr. J. M. Soly, of this city, and was shown much attention by the latter while here.

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The investigation was made in view of the reports named and it will be gratifying to the public at large and to the authorities especially to know that the result of the investigation was decidedly in favor of the opinion that the conditions were excellent for an institution of that kind.

The gentlemen named above, anxious to ascertain the true conditions, went out to the camp yesterday morning and spent from 11 A. M. until after 1 o'clock in the afternoon, going over the premises and asking such questions as would throw any light upon the situation. Their report of the tenor stated was mailed to Governor Aycock and the secretary of the State Board of Public Charities last evening.

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Epworth Workers Will be Here in Numbers This Week—Interesting Programme Prepared.

The current number of the *Epworth Wheel*, published at Southport by the talented Rev. Euclid McWhorter, is a "Special Epworth League District Conference Edition" and is brim full of interesting information about League work in general and the big Epworth meeting in Wilmington this week in particular.

The District League will convene Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in Grace M. E. church with devotional exercises by Rev. J. N. Cole, who will be temporary chairman. The address of welcome will be by Mrs. E. B. Johnson and the response in behalf of the Conference will be by Rev. A. S. Barnes of Whiteville. Rev. Euclid McWhorter will deliver an address upon "The Parting of the Ways" and after organization, a social hour will be enjoyed.

Wednesday morning's session will open at 9:30 o'clock with devotional exercises by Mr. C. E. Vale, of Wilmington, and at 10 A. M., E. D. Guthrie, Esq., of Southport, will speak on "The League Idea." Rev. W. R. Royall, of Town Creek, will explain how to organize a League and his address will be followed by five minute papers on departmental work (a) devotional department; (b) charity and help; (c) literary circle; (d) social.

At 8 o'clock the same afternoon the visitors will enjoy a trolley ride to the beach. In the evening Rev. B. B. Johnson will conduct the devotional exercises and Rev. G. T. Adams, of Raleigh, will make an address upon the "Possibilities of the Epworth League."

Capt. Harper, of the steamer *Wilmington*, has kindly offered a rate of one fare for the round trip from Southport and a large crowd is expected from that enterprising League town.

**PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.**

—Mr. Z. E. Mathis, of Clinton, is at The Orion.  
 —Mr. J. C. Thomas, of Calabash, is here on a business trip.  
 —Mrs. E. L. Parr left yesterday for Richmond on an extended visit.  
 —Messrs. T. A. Hines and J. L. Hines, of Faison, are guests at The Orion.  
 —Dr. J. H. Newbury, of Warsaw, came down for the concert last evening.  
 —Mr. J. B. Black and Editor Milton McIntosh, of Burgaw, arrived last evening.  
 —Mrs. C. W. Worth and daughter left yesterday to visit friends and relatives in Raleigh.  
 —Messrs. W. E. McDaniel and H. L. Lyon, of Whiteville, were Orion guests yesterday.  
 —Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Grandy, of Norfolk, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Warren G. Elliott, Jr.  
 —Miss L. D. Potts, of Lake Waccamaw, came down to hear Nordica yesterday evening.  
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 —Mrs. L. Harvey and Miss Harvey, of Kinston, arrived yesterday evening for the concert.  
 —Mrs. Vann Woodcock left yesterday morning for Mt. Olive, N. C., to visit friends and relatives.  
 —Mrs. C. C. Covington returned from Fayetteville yesterday morning on the steamer *City of Fayetteville*.  
 —Solicitor Rodolph Duffy arrived yesterday from Clinton, where he has been attending Superior Court.  
 —Rev. Mr. Cole has returned to the city and will occupy his pulpit at Grace M. E. church to-day, as usual.  
 —Mrs. R. K. Bryan, of Scott's Hill, N. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Shepard, South Fourth street.  
 —Miss Etie Jones and mother, of Berkeley, Va., have returned home after a delightful visit to Miss Lillie Sears.  
 —Mrs. C. R. Johnson, Miss Carrie Johnson and Mr. Andrew J. Flannery, of Clinton, arrived yesterday to hear Nordica.  
 —Editor D. T. Edwards, of the *Kinston Free Press*, accompanied by Mrs. Edwards, arrived yesterday for the Nordica concert.  
 —Mr. Louis B. Hale, the popular and versatile city editor of the *Fayetteville Observer*, was among the Nordica visitors yesterday.  
 —Mr. W. O. Fago, the popular shipping clerk at St. M. Bear & Co's, has gone to New York on the steamer for a ten day's pleasure trip.  
 —The numerous friends of Mr. Asa W. Allen will be glad to know that he is again about his duties after a severe illness of several weeks.  
 —Rev. J. C. Story, of Southport