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OUTLINES.

The strained situation regarding Manchuria has been relieved by a dispatch from Peking, stating that the Russians re-entered New Chang and then retired; in view of this the State Department at Washington decides that there is no longer occasion for action, even diplomatically. All conductors, brakemen and yardmen of the Mobile and Ohio railroad went out on strike yesterday. Post-graduate barque *Yves Cruz* is ashore on the beach near Oceanica, N. C.; she has 240 emigrants aboard, bound for New Bedford; the vessel is in a dangerous position. The Southern Baptist Convention will meet next year in Nashville; \$300,000 was pledged for foreign mission work. Five persons were killed and several injured in a collision of trains near Ulica, N. Y. The *Kiowa*, a new steamer for the Clyde Line, was launched yesterday at Cramps shipyard. At Pittsburg, Pa., J. F. Knutz shot and probably fatally wounded his wife and then killed J. E. Walsh, of whom he was jealous. Former Secretary Vilas, a close friend of Grover Cleveland, says the latter will not be a candidate for nomination for the presidency. N. Y. markets: Money quoted nominal at 3 1/4 per cent.; cotton - dull at 11.16; flour was inactive; wheat - spot steady, No. 2 52 1/2; corn - spot steady, No. 2 red 52 1/2; oats - spot dull No. 2 28 1/2; rosin steady; strained codfish - 49.05; spirits turpentine firm at 49.49.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., May 9. Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.: Temperature: 8 A. M., 60 degrees; 10 A. M., 65 degrees; maximum, 70 degrees; minimum, 58 degrees; mean, 65 degrees. Rainfall for the day, .30; rainfall since last of the month to date, 1.67 inches. Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Thursday 6.2 feet. COTTON REGION BULLETIN. Rains have fallen in all districts except the Galveston. Temperature had continued nearly stationary. FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. WASHINGTON, May 9.—For North Carolina: Fair Sunday and Monday, except rain Sunday on the coast; warmer to west portion Sunday; brisk northeast winds on the coast, diminishing Sunday. Port Almanac—May 10. 4:30 A. M. 4.59 A. M. 5:54 P. M. 6:54 P. M. 18.53 M. 7:08 A. M. 9:38 A. M.

The crowned heads and other dignitaries of Europe are doing a good deal of hobnobbing and excursions these days, and their people foot the bill. A negro mob in Delaware attacked a circus man who had been a soldier in the Philippines and didn't discover their mistake until four of them were laid out dead with bullets in them. The chaplain of Sing Sing prison sued on him because he had cruelly beaten his child, and declared they didn't want any preaching from a chap like that. Some New York critics declare that Roosevelt doesn't pronounce his name correctly when he reduces it to two syllables when it should be three. But there is no chance for argument as to the pronunciation of Teddy.

That Chicago millionaire may succeed in getting the servant girl he wants with his \$1,000,000 offer but that will not solve the servant problem. Very few of us have a million dollars to offer as an inducement to them to be good. A lady who missed her outgoing steamer at New York didn't think bad words, as some might, but thought of a Maroonigram, sent that after her and held the steamer up in the bay until she could reach her with a tug. It was a tight tug, but she made it.

It is said that old maids are few and far between in Armenia, for the reason that if a girl isn't engaged by the time she reaches seventeen years she is forced to fast three days, and then for twenty-four hours is fed on salt fish and are not allowed anything to quench her thirst. They consider almost any kind of a fellow preferable to a salting like that. Circuit Attorney Folk, of St. Louis, declined the present of a \$16,000 house offered him as a testimonial by citizens for his work in sending hoodlums to the penitentiary. He is too poor to own a house himself, but he was too proud to take that one for "simply doing his duty." That kind of folk is somewhat rare these days.

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MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Beautiful and Appropriate Exercises in Honor of "Our Confederate Dead."

OKDALE CEMETERY TO-DAY.

Military, Veterans and Allied Organizations Will Attend in a Body This Afternoon—Sermon by Dr. Galvin S. Blackwell—Notes.

If the weather is at all favorable to-day the annual Memorial Day exercises at beautiful Okdale cemetery, under the auspices of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be very pleasing and appropriate. Yesterday the ladies met at the cemetery and decorated the graves of the Confederate dead, according to their beautiful custom, and made other arrangements for the solemn ceremonies this afternoon. The exercises will take place as usual at the base of the Confederate monument. The memorial sermon will be preached by the eloquent Dr. Galvin S. Blackwell, of Norfolk, who will arrive to-day from the Southern Baptist Convention at Savannah, Ga. As usual the local military, Camp of Confederate Veterans and allied organizations will attend and take part in the patriotic service. Mr. J. H. Boatwright will be chief marshal and he has appointed as his assistants, Dr. A. M. Baldwin, Messrs. Sol Bear, R. F. Hamme, Calvin Reaves and J. G. Skipper. For the benefit of all who desire to attend the C. E. & P. Co. has arranged to operate a car each ten minutes from Tenth and Princess streets to the grounds and a large crowd is expected to be in attendance. The Veterans, military and others will form a procession at the cemetery 10 o'clock and will move promptly at 4:30 o'clock to the monument. The military will open ranks at the entrance to the monument enclosure, allowing the Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy and others to pass through, and occupy seats around the beautiful spot. The organizations will form as follows, in the order given: Wilmington Light Infantry, Naval Reserves, Boys' Brigade, Confederate Veterans, Sons of Veterans, Chaplain and Orator, Daughters of the Confederacy. The programme of exercises will consist of an opening prayer by the chaplain, Rev. R. W. Hogue, rector of St. James parish, and that will be followed by the hymn "There is a Blessed Home." Chief Marshal Boatwright will then present the orator, Dr. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist church, Norfolk, Va., who will deliver the sermon. Dr. Blackwell's discourse will be followed by a reading of the Roll of Honor; the hymn, "Soldiers of Christ," the doxology; benediction; salute by military and taps. On account of Memorial Day falling on Sunday this year, the banks and other business houses of like character will observe the day by closing to-morrow.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF EXPLOSION.

Colored Fireman on Tug *Cynthia* Died of His Injuries Yesterday Afternoon. F. W. Jackson, the colored fireman who was so badly scalded as the result of the explosion on the tug *Cynthia* by which Engineer Dickey was killed his life Friday afternoon, died at 4:30 P. M. yesterday at the U. S. Marine Hospital, to which institution he was taken soon after the accident. Fireman Jno. Warren, white, who is also at the hospital as the result of the accident, and Cook Lovinger, who is at his home on South Front street, were reported as doing very well last night and are thought to be in no danger. The dead fireman is about 35 years of age and has a wife and several children at Southport. He remained conscious until a short time before his death. His remains will be taken to Southport for interment to-day.

Big Excursion Tuesday Night.

Messrs. J. G. Smith, J. B. Jones and S. P. L. Anderson, of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, are the committee in charge of the moonlight excursion on the steamer *Wilmington* Tuesday night and they promise each and every guest upon that occasion a royal good time. The steamer will leave the city at 7:30 P. M. and the public is cordially invited. There will be music on the boat and dancing in the new pavilion on the beach. Twenty-five cents pay for the round trip; other features will be free. The last boat leaves the beach at 11 o'clock. A great time is in store for every one who becomes a guest of the Carmen for the trip.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. L. I.—Celebration. Clyde Line—Sailing days. Geo. O. Gayland—Best place. Atlantic Yacht Club—Notice. F. L. Vaughan—Camp mess. F. L. Vaughan & Co.—Drop in. C. W. Yates & Co.—Telling you. W. B. Cooper—Reynolds tobacco. Hydraulic White Brick Co.—Notice. Atlantic National Bank—Increase. Wilmington Sewerage Co.—No charge. BUSINESS LOCALS. Desirable Rooms—For rent. Young Man—Clerkship wanted. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—To Wrightsville Beach.

SAD FUNERAL YESTERDAY.

Remains of Engineer J. A. Dickey Laid to Rest, With Odd Fellow Honors, in Bellevue Cemetery.

Impressive funeral services, attended by many friends and fellow lodges of the deceased, were conducted at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon over the remains of the late Jesse Augustus Dickey, from the residence of the family, 109 Castle street, the Rev. C. P. Paul, pastor of Southside Baptist church, officiating. The tragic circumstances of Engineer Dickey's death on the tug *Cynthia* Friday afternoon, combined with the popularity of the deceased young man to make the service a very interesting and impressive one. Cape Fear Lodge of Odd Fellows and Jeff Davis Council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of which order the deceased was a valued member, assembled at their respective halls and attended the services in a body. Live Oak Camp No. 4, Woodman of the World, of which young Mr. Dickey was also a member, sent a committee to represent the order, composed of Messrs. Jno. E. Wood, Jno. J. Fowler, Benj. Bell, James H. Burruss and Kelly W. Jewell, the two last named having acted as pall-bearers. The other pall-bearers were from Cape Fear Lodge, I. O. O. F. and Jeff Davis Council, Jr., O. U. A. M., Messrs. B. E. Phelps, Wilbur Dasher and David K. LeGwin having represented the first named and Capt. Jesse D. Price, John Enos and B. R. King having represented the Jr. O. U. A. M.

Each of the orders to which the young man belonged—sent exquisite floral designs. Those from other friends were also exceptionally fine and were numerous. The remains were laid to rest in Bellevue cemetery with Odd Fellow honors, the service having been carried out by Col. Walker Taylor and Mr. W. L. Smith.

MILLIONS IN INSURANCE.

Wilmington Led All Cities in Claims Paid During 1902—The Figures. The *Insurance Press*, of New York, has recently issued a table of valuable statistics in regard to life insurance in the United States. That part of the report relating to this State shows that policy holders and beneficiaries of all kinds in North Carolina received in 1902, \$1,938,749.

Wilmington leads all cities and towns in the amount received, which is \$1,159,740, while Raleigh received \$68,801; Durham, \$64,000; Winston, \$48,077; Charlotte, \$41,533; Greensboro, \$41,580; Asheville, \$38,000; Lumberton, \$35,000; Elizabeth City, \$34,000; Hendersonville, \$31,886; Fayetteville, \$27,940; Newbern, \$26,000; Edenton, \$26,697; Washington, \$23,000; Salisbury, \$22,000; Goldsboro, \$21,000; Gastonia, \$14,000; Sanford, \$13,000; Rockingham, \$13,890; Chapel Hill, \$13,243; Nashville, \$11,000; Wadesboro, \$13,000. The largest individual claim paid in the State during the year was upon the life of the late Preston L. Bridges, of Wilmington—\$25,839.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Other local, fourth page.
—The name of the government steamer *Mary Lilly* has been changed to *Mercur*, by Capt. Winslow.
—Spirits turpentine sold on the local market yesterday morning at 45c, but closed in the afternoon at 47c cents.
—The STAR is requested to state that Mr. W. J. Kirkham was not a candidate to succeed himself as superintendent of fire alarm.
—Fred Bennett, a drunk and disorderly negro at Fourth and Campbell streets, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Police Sergeant C. W. Woolard.
—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Mamie Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Craig, and Henry Fergus, both of Masonboro township.
—It is learned that Foreman Pickett, of the city street force, has tendered his resignation to Superintendent J. M. Woolard, the same to take effect at once.
—The steamer *Franklin Pierce* will resume her runs to Shallotte Monday. She has been handsomely fitted up and is prepared to give an excellent freight and passenger service from that section.
—An important special meeting of the Atlantic Yacht Club will be held to-morrow night at 8 o'clock to consider an important matter in connection with improvements to the property.
—Owing to the rain yesterday and bad condition of the court, the tennis tournament to have been played on the Cape Fear Golf Club grounds was postponed until Monday afternoon at 8:30 o'clock.
—On account of memorial services this afternoon, the Sunday school of the First Baptist church will open promptly at 2:30 o'clock so as to give those wishing to attend the memorial services opportunity to do so.
East Carolina Diocese. The twentieth annual meeting of the Diocese of East Carolina will meet in St. John's church, Fayetteville, Wednesday, May 20th, 1903, at 10 A. M. For this meeting, the A. C. L. will sell round trip tickets from Wilmington for \$4.05. Tickets on sale May 18th, 19th and 20th; final limit May 26th.

STRAWBERRY CROP.

Volume of Shipments This Season Are Much in Advance of Last Year.

SOME OFFICIAL FIGURES.

Carolina Fruit and Truck Growers' Journal Gives a General View of the Situation—Prospect for Vegetable Production and Prices.

Shipping Master H. T. Bauman, of East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, advises the "Carolina Fruit and Truck Growers' Journal" from South Rocky Mount, that the strawberry movement in refrigerator cars this season, up to and including May 8th, has been as follows: From the W. & W. Railroad, 685 cars; from W. C. & A. Railroad, Chahouron section, 698 cars; Florence, Lake City and Latta, S. C., section, 35 cars; A. & Y. Railroad, 9 cars, or a total of 1,327 cars, against 1,173 cars for the entire movement last year. Commenting upon these figures the "Journal" in its issue of to-morrow will editorially say: "In addition to this it is safe to say that the W. & W. R. P. will ship all through next week and some more or less shipments will go forward during the same time from points on the other divisions, sufficient to run the number of cars by the Fruit Growers' Express movement up to 1,500 at least. Shipments in fact will likely continue from different points in this territory up to the 25th. The express shipments also show a good, healthy increase in volume this year over last, though not quite so much as the increase by the refrigerator line or Fruit Growers' Express. Mr. Buckner, the new superintendent for this territory, reports a very satisfactory season's operations for the Southern Express Company, however. Although the first shipment of berries did not yield such returns as the growers had confidently looked forward to, nevertheless the season has been much longer than usual, and the total amount of business will be so largely in excess of last year that it is safe to say that fully as much money will be distributed down here among the growers as a whole for the 1903 crop as was received by them last year. Of course the profits will not be so great to the producers, but where they have lost in one way they have in part made good the loss otherwise. With anything like good prices for the vegetable and potato crops, the growers will again be in the saddle."

The outlook is favorable for a good cantaloupe and melon crop, while blackberries have already begun to move, and the crop this year will be about up to the average for this variety of fruit in this section. The potato crop is improving very much as the season wears on under better weather conditions, and the same may be said of beans, cucumbers, squashes, beets and cauliflower. Many potato farmers, realizing that the crop has been cut short in the Savannah and Charleston sections below us and likewise in the Eastern Shore and Tidewater sections of Virginia, are very well satisfied with the crop of Virginia potatoes, which will be the largest in any part of the country, and is expected to yield the growers some very handsome returns. Hackberries will be coming on a little later, although the crop this year will be very much short of last year, we should say as much as 25 to 35 per cent. There will be a good many hackberries, however, at the first reports of damage by frost were somewhat exaggerated."

RETURNED FROM BIG POW WOW.

Wilmington Representatives Back from Great Council of Red Men. Past Great Sachem W. H. Lane, Capt. J. M. McGowan, Mr. E. P. H. Strunk and Mr. J. A. Dean have returned from Washington, N. C., where they attended the Great Council, Improved Order of Red Men. They all report a delightful time and speak in loudest praise of the hospitality of the people of Washington. The next Great Council meeting will be in Charlotte. Wilmington representatives were well honored with offices, Mr. Strunk having been chosen Great Keeper of Wampum, Mr. Dean having been made Great Guard of the Wigwam and Captain McGowan having been appointed on a number of the leading standing committees. Mr. Lane at the meeting retired from a year's service in the highest office in the gift of the Great Council. Other officers elected were as follows: C. T. Buckham; Great Sachem, Washington, N. C.; A. Bunn, Great Senior Sagamore, Charlotte; Geo. L. Tompkins, Great Junior Sagamore, Raleigh; W. B. Goodwin, Great Chief of Records, Elizabeth City; B. W. Wrayler, Great Sannap, Washington, N. C.; Wesley Williams, Great Minnewa, Elisabeth City; E. A. Coward, Great Guard, of the Forest, Spray.

Big Lumber Plant Sold.

Mrs. Preston L. Bridges, who owned a majority of the stock, has sold the extensive plant of the Bridges-McKethan Lumber Company, at Lumber, S. C., to Mr. Ernest Williams, of Lynchburg, Va., and a Mr. Barr, of Norfolk, wealthy and experienced mill men who will continue the business. Mr. R. W. McKethan, the minority stockholder in the mill, will continue as vice president and general manager.

MONUMENT UNVEILING TODAY.

Beautiful Exercises This Afternoon at Southport by Woodmen of World. Steamer *Wilmington's* Schedule.

Beautiful and appropriate exercises at Southport this afternoon will attend the unveiling of a handsome monument by Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, of this city, over the grave of the lamented Sovereign, J. M. O. Fisher, whose tragic death by drowning from the tug *Alexander Jones* last Christmas is still fresh in the memory of his friends.

Many members of the camp and not a few friends will leave on the steamer *Wilmington* at 9:30 o'clock this morning for the purpose either of attending or participating in the services. The opening number on the programme is a selection, "Gathering Home," by a select male quartette, composed of Messrs. C. H. Cooper, first tenor; R. O. Banks, second tenor; J. E. Williams, first bass; H. K. Holdredge, second bass, with Mr. A. H. Yopp, accompanist. Rev. Euclid McWhorter, as chaplain, will offer prayer and that will be followed by lodge exercises carried out by the following officers: Com. Com.—Jas. F. Post. Adv. Lieut.—Geo. T. Hewlett. Escort—J. H. Burgess. Cleric—O. Jackson. Banker—Robt. W. Davis. Watchman—E. O. Yarbrough. Sentry—J. Love Davis. Manager—Jno. E. Wood, J. W. Fleet and W. G. Olesen. The "Funeral Anthem" will be rendered by the Camp, followed by a reading of the W. O. W. poem by Mr. W. L. Smith and "Lead Kindly Light" by the quartette. Following additional lodge exercises the quartette will render "Remember Now Thy Creator," and Eugene D. Guthrie, Esq., a talented young member of the Southport bar, will deliver the oration. The lodge will conclude the exercises, rendering the hymn "Nearer My God to Thee," with benediction by Rev. Mr. McWhorter.

MR. SHAKESPEARE AT SCHOOL.

Entertainment Tuesday Evening in Germania Hall for Worthy Benefit.

"Mr. Shakespeare at School," a delightfully funny and refined comedy, giving abundant opportunity for clever character delineation, will be presented by a number of ladies in Germania Hall Tuesday evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, for the benefit of a worthy object, the nature of which will be announced later. The public is invited and the special price of admission will be only 25 cents. The dramatic personae is as follows: Miss Tucker, the School Mistress. Mrs. Cuthbert Martin. Miranda Smith, engaged, re-visiting the School. Miss Janie Williams. SCHOOL GIRLS. Anne Robinson. Miss Mildred Gore. Rosalie Brown. Miss Bernice Davis. Jessie Jones. Miss Madeline DeRoset. Lydia Johnston. Miss Louise Harlow. Nancy Bell. Miss Jennie Harden. Estelle Miller. Miss Neppie Sorden. Eliza Green. Miss Beula Armstrong. House Maid. Miss Thurber Gore. Following the production of the play a "Library Party" will be given, followed by a delightful German, for which an additional fee of 25 cents will be charged. Thirty young ladies will represent as many books and the gentlemen guessing correctly the representation by the young lady will be privileged to dance with her. The affair will be unique and is clever in its conception. It is sure to be a great success.

BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

Local Visitors This Week Made Inspection of County Home and Jail. Messrs. J. F. Kerr, A. G. Hankins and R. M. Wescott, the visiting committee for the State Board of Public Charities, visited the county home and jail this week, and gave them a thorough examination and found them in very good condition, indeed. They recommended that the white man, "John Unknown," who is at the Home, and in bad mental condition, be taken from there to where he can be better cared for. The committee received a letter of thanks from the assistant secretary of the State Board for its comprehensive report upon the condition of the convict camp at Castle Haynes. The State Board had asked for a report upon the condition of the man at the home named John "Unknown." Major Newton Will inspect. Col. T. H. Bain, of Goldsboro, Inspector General of the North Carolina National Guard, was in Raleigh last week, and told Col. Alfred Williams that Major Lundeen, who was to have made the inspection for the government, had been detailed on other duties, and would be succeeded by Major John Newton, of the Sixteenth Infantry, now stationed at Fort McPherson, Georgia. The inspection was to have begun this week, together with the annual State inspection, but it may be that Major Newton's duties will conflict so that it will have to be postponed. He will be in Raleigh in a few days to confer as to details. Real Estate Transfers. By deeds filed for record yesterday Lewis J. Mason and wife transferred to John C. Boshop for \$450, tract of land containing 8 acres, more or less, on the Newbern road, two miles east of Wilmington, and Zora B. Ennett and others transferred to D. L. T. Capps and wife for \$450, house and lot on east side of Sixth, between Ann and Nun streets, 38x165 feet in size.

ODD FELLOWS COMING.

Grand Lodge Will Meet in Sixtieth Annual Session Here Tuesday Evening.

ALL ARRANGEMENTS MADE.

Welcome Addresses by Hon. Jas. D. Bellamy and Mayor Pro Tem. W. H. Yopp—Trip to Wrightsville and Down the Cape Fear.

The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of North Carolina, will convene in sixtieth annual session in this city on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The Odd Fellows' hall being too small to accommodate the State body the Knights of Pythias, following their usual cordial, fraternal spirit, tendered the use of their new and elegantly furnished hall and the sessions will be held there. The hall has recently been furnished with handsome new furniture and will be an ideal place for such a gathering. The Elks have also tendered the courtesy of their rooms to the Odd Fellows while in the city. The joint committee, representing the Odd Fellows of the city, wish to publicly express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness of these two sister organizations. The addresses of welcome will be made at the opening session by the Hon. John D. Bellamy, Past Grand Master, representing the Odd Fellows and in the absence of Mayor Springer, Mr. W. H. Yopp, representing the city. These will be responded to by Mr. J. F. Griffith, Grand Master, and Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Deputy Grand Master. The joint committee, of which Mr. J. T. King is chairman, has been busily engaged in perfecting arrangements for the entertainment of the members of the Grand Lodge while in the city. On Wednesday afternoon a trolley ride will be given complimentary to the visiting Odd Fellows and their families to which all Odd Fellows are cordially invited. Chartered cars will leave Front and Princess streets at 8 P. M. It is hoped to make that a very pleasant feature of the entertainment. On Thursday the Grand Lodge will go for a trip down the river on the steamer *Wilmington* and out to sea. Application has been made to the Secretary of War, through Major Lundeen, for permission to take the visitors through Fort Caswell and a favorable response is expected before the date named. Lunch will be served on the boat by the Daughters of Rebekah and in addition there will be music. The genial Captain Harper, in keeping with his usual thoughtfulness, has tendered the steamer *Wilmington* to the committee, with his compliments, for that day for the use of the Grand Lodge. The fare for the Odd Fellows of the city who may wish to take the trip will be fifty cents and it is hoped that a large delegation will go and aid in making the day pleasant and agreeable to the visitors. The boat will leave her wharf at 9 A. M. and return about 5 P. M. The chairman of the important committees will arrive on Monday in order to secure prompt dispatch of important matters which may be brought before the Grand Lodge for consideration, these having to pass through the hands of the committees before going before the main body for action. The Grand Master and several members of the officers are also expected on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. This year has been probably the most prosperous in the history of the order in this State and the membership is looking forward to a harmonious and profitable session. The following are the officers of the Grand Lodge: G. M.—John F. Griffith, Winston. D. G. M.—Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Asheville. G. W.—Henry E. Biggs, Spottland Neck. G. S.—B. H. Woodell, Raleigh. G. T.—R. J. Jones, Wilmington. G. M.—J. J. Hopkins, Wilmington. G. C.—Dr. R. H. Jones, Winston. G. G.—J. G. Shannonhouse, Charlotte. G. H.—Dr. E. H. Brooks, Reidsville. Chaplain.—Rev. F. D. Swindell, D. D. Representatives—M. W. Jacobi, Wilmington; and R. W. Murray, Greensboro.

LIGHT INFANTRY SEMI-CENTENIAL.

Pleasant Outing at Lake Waccamaw on the 20th of May—Special Train.

The general arrangement committee, consisting of Capt. A. P. Adrian and Messrs. Geo. P. James, Roger Moore, J. McRee Hatch and Thos. Orrell, have great plans perfected for the semi-centennial celebration of the Wilmington Light Infantry at Lake Waccamaw on May 20th. For the occasion a special train will leave the city over the Atlantic Coast Line at 9:30 A. M. with plenty of accommodations for all who desire to attend. Returning to Wilmington, the train will leave the lake at 8 P. M. The fare for the round trip will be only \$1. The amusements on the grounds will be a target shoot, a base ball game, tennis, tournament and other athletic exercises. Every friend of the Light Infantry is cordially invited.

To Attend Corner-Stone Laying.

Mayor W. E. Springer will leave to-morrow evening for Raleigh, where he will attend a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Orphanage, and will also be present at the ceremonies attending the laying of the corner-stone of the main building of the Orphanage. The Grand Lodge of Masons has been called to meet at Raleigh at the same time and to participate in the exercises.

Handsome Increase.

This bank points with pride to the handsome increase in its deposits during the past year:

April 9th, 1902. \$1,100,000.00
April 9th, 1903. \$1,513,000.00

We pay no interest on deposits.

The Atlantic National Bank,

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. T. J. Freeman, of Bladenboro, N. C., was a visitor to the city yesterday.
—Rev. Mr. White, who has just concluded a series of successful meetings at the First Presbyterian church, left yesterday for his home at Petersburg, Va.
—Requie W. McD. Evans is confined to his home with a gripe and a bilious attack, but was some better yesterday, his friends will be pleased to note.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Polley will leave this afternoon for Atlanta to visit Mrs. Polley's sister. Later Mrs. Polley will go to Saluda, S. C., to spend a month at her old home.
—Mrs. P. G. White left yesterday afternoon for Asheville, N. C., to join Mr. White, who has taken a position as operator in the brokerage office of Messrs. A. D. Baxter & Co., in that city.
—Newbern Journal: "Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kegley left for Wilmington yesterday morning where they will make their future home. Mr. Kegley being the pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church in that city."
—Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell will arrive to-day from the Southern Baptist Convention at Savannah. He will deliver the memorial sermon at Okdale this afternoon and occupy his old pulpit at the First Baptist church to-night.
—Mr. Joe M. Cronly and little daughter, Margaret, of New York, arrived last evening and are guests of Mr. Cronly's mother, Mrs. M. Cronly, No. 215 South Third street. The numerous friends in Wilmington of Mr. Cronly will be delighted to see him.
STRAWBERRY MOVEMENT FRIDAY. Only 38 Cars and 1,932 Crates by Express Went Forward—Prices. Friday's shipments of strawberries through South Rocky Mount amounted to 38 cars and 1,088 crates by express, distributed to the several markets as follows: Pittsburg, 10 cars; Buffalo, 4 cars; Worcester and Elmira, 3 cars each; New York, 2 cars, 69 crates; Boston, Hartford, Erie and Albany, 3 cars each; Baltimore, 1 car and 103 crates; Springfield, New Haven, Waterbury, Scranton, Utica, Syracuse and Montreal, 1 car each; Newark, 40 crates; Philadelphia, 240 crates; Washington, 149 crates; Wilmington, Del., 384 crates; Chester, 120 crates; Richmond, 89 crates; Virginia points, 41 crates. Leading quotations Friday were: New York, 8@15; Philadelphia, 8@14; Washington, 8@13; Boston, 10@12, and Pittsburg, 10@11. NEW YORK, May 9.—Berries, 8 to 12c; peas, \$1.50 to \$2.00; cabbage, \$1.00 to \$1.25. Market active. J. & G. LIPPMAN, Wholesale Produce Commission Merchants.

AN UP-TO-DATE ESTABLISHMENT.

Improvements at Plummer's Confectionery Store and Ice Cream Manufactory. Extensive improvements in view of an enlarged patronage during the Spring and Summer months have just been made at the popular confectionery establishment and ice cream manufactory of J. W. Plummer, Jr., No. 204 Princess street. Mr. Plummer's store has been nicely re-painted and re-papered and an apartment beautified and transformed into an inviting ice cream parlor. The furnishings are all new and up-to-date and the energetic proprietor proposes to conduct the department with the special view of securing the patronage of the ladies. In order to meet the demand of increased orders, he has also installed new motive power and machinery for his ice cream plant and it is now one of the most perfect in the city. All orders, large or small, may now be dispatched with the greatest celerity. Mr. Plummer invites his friends and the public generally to visit the store and see the improvements.

Renovion of Colonial Dames.

The Society of Colonial Dames will hold its third social reunion on Wednesday afternoon, the 13th inst., at 5 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Clayton Giles. On these occasions each Dame is invited to introduce one friend and it is safe to say that no society events have been more elegant or more thoroughly enjoyed. It is expected that this final one of the season will be as fully attended as those which have preceded it.

Sermon to Railway Carmen.

The pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole, will preach the annual sermon to the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen, of Wilmington, at Grace M. E. church this evening. The service begins at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited.

Atlantic Yacht Club Notice.

A special meeting of the Atlantic Yacht Club is hereby called for Monday night, May 11th, at 8 o'clock in the evening, at the club house in connection with improvements to property. By order of THOS. B. POST, President. JAS. F. JAMES, Secretary. May 11, 1903.

CANNED MEATS.

Fresh arrivals, low prices.

Canned Beef, Chipped Beef, Potted Ham, Devilled Ham, Vienna Sausage, Luncheon Sausage, Lunch Tongues, Veal Leaf, Beef Leaf, Roast Mutton, 3-pound Tomatoes, 3-pound Table Peaches, 3-pound Pie Peaches. Sour and Sweet Pickles, Relish.

H. L. VOLLERS, Wholesale only.

Tax Notice.

Having been appointed Tax Lister for the City of Wilmington for the year 1903, I hereby notify all persons liable for taxation that I will be at the City Hall every day during the coming month of June (Sundays excepted) for the purpose of receiving the lists of Taxables and Polls of said city. Parties failing to list will render themselves liable to indictment.

A. L. DeROSSET, TAX LISTER.

We Make

no charge for connecting your drain with our improved sanitary sewer, and our rates are lower than the rates charged for a sanitary sewer service in any other city on the Atlantic coast. The Wilmington Sewerage Co. my 10 tf

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Semi-Centennial Celebration

LAKE WACCAMAW, MAY 20, 1903

Special train will leave A. C. L. depot at 9:30 A. M.; returning, leave the lake at 6:00 P. M. Fare for round trip only one dollar. Target shooting, baseball, tennis tournament and other amusements. Our friends are cordially invited to be with us. my 10 tf as us us us

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OLD PRICES TILL MAY 15TH.

W. B. COOPER, 308, 310 and 312 Nutt Street, WILMINGTON, N. C. my 10 tf

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Law School.

The Summer Term begins June 10th, to continue three months. Through instruction in courses admitting to the bar. Special lectures by eminent lawyers. For Catalogue, address Jas. C. MacRae, Dean, my 8 tf fr su Chapel Hill, N. C.

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co.,

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER, WILMINGTON, N. C.

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, at a meeting duly called and held at their office at Richmond, Va., on April 21st, 1903, have declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent.