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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Five persons burned to death in a fire building in New York city.
Typhoon in French Cochinchina, of extraordinary violence; many people were killed.
Seven people were killed and many injured at a fire in Glasgow, Scotland.
The five-masted schooner Washington B. Thomas probably has been lost.
The Italian cabinet has resigned.
The Northern Securities Company will be voluntarily dissolved.
Rumors published yesterday that the Pope of Rome had died suddenly are without foundation.
It is announced that the European powers will exact punishment of the murderers of King Alexander and Queen Draga.
Jack O'Keefe and Jimmy Britt fought twenty rounds to a draw at Battle, Mo., for the light weight championship of the world.
A second attempt at lynching in Illinois within a week was frustrated at Greenville.
Striking hotel employees in Chicago were unable to get up a sympathetic strike; many of the strikers have returned to work.
New York markets: Money on call was nominal; cotton quiet at 12.50; flour was firm but quiet; wheat—spot dull, No. 2 red 84c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 87c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 41c; rosin steady; strained, common to good, \$2.05-2.10; spirits turpentine firm at 49c-49 1/2.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 13, 1903.
Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:
Temperature: 8 A. M., 59 degrees; 8 P. M., 70 degrees; maximum, 75 degrees; minimum, 55 degrees; mean, 65 degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall deficit of the month to date, 5.12.
COTTON REGION BULLETIN.
Rain in Texas with heavy showers reported at Blanco and Corpus Christi. Except in the Wilmington district no rain is reported in the other sections of the cotton belt. Cool weather prevails in all districts. Minimum temperature at Charlotte and Greensboro 58 degrees.
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, June 12.—For North Carolina: Fair, warmer Sunday. Monday partly cloudy, probably showers in west portion; variable winds.
Port Almanac—June 14.
Sun Rises..... 4:41 A. M.
Sun Sets..... 7:17 P. M.
Day's Length..... 14 H. 34 M.
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Messrs. Benj. F. White, Jr., Gordon C. Johnson and George Thomas Farrar will leave Monday for the "Rocks" to spend a week on a fishing trip.
Mr. W. H. Shearin, who has been quite sick at his home at Castle Haynes, was reported much better yesterday. Mr. Shearin's little daughter is also quite sick.
Mrs. J. H. McDougall was summoned to Columbus, S. C., yesterday by a telegram announcing the death of her brother, Mr. C. J. Beckling, which occurred at his home in that city.
Mr. Gilbert Foard, who is at home from Trinity College, has taken charge of the cigar and news stand at the Seashore Hotel and will carry a full line of the leading papers, magazines, cigars, etc., during the season.

VISITORS ON A JAUNT.

Teachers the Guests of Captain Harper on Steamer Wilmington Yesterday.
VIEWED HISTORIC SITES.
Resolutions Passed on Friday Upon the Deaths of Two Leading Members of the Assembly—Some Have Returned Home—Notes.
The Teachers' Assembly having adjourned its business sessions at Wrightsville Friday night, many of the visitors came up to the city yesterday afternoon and became the guests of the gallant Capt. Jas. W. Harper for a delightful trip down the Cape Fear river on the new popular steamer "Wilmington." The boat left the city at 9:30 o'clock and returned yesterday evening at 7:45, about forty of the teachers having enjoyed the hospitality of their host.
The various points of historic interest down the Cape Fear were pointed out to the guests from the broad decks of the handsome steamer and a short stop was made at Southport, after which the boat was run under the magnificent fortifications at Fort Caswell and the visitors were given an opportunity of viewing the splendid post established by the government to guard the mouth of the Cape Fear. Fort Fisher and Old Brunswick were also pointed out and much interest was manifested by the visitors.
Upon their return to the city the guests for the trip held an informal meeting and adopted resolutions of most profound thanks to Capt. Harper for the pleasure afforded them. A few of the visitors still remain in the city, while others, loth to give up the delights of the Seashore Hotel, have returned there to spend Sunday. They are all unanimous in their praise of Manager Elston for his courteous treatment and splendid management of the hotel.
Resolutions of Respect.
Prof. R. D. W. Connor, Prof. E. C. Brooks and Prof. W. H. Bagdad, composing the committee appointed Thursday to draft suitable resolutions upon the death of Prof. Dr. H. F. Linscott and C. C. Crittenden, vice-presidents of the Assembly, reported during Friday morning's sessions as follows:
DR. HENRY FARRAR LINSCOTT, WILMINGTON, ALMIGHTY GOD HAS SEEN IT TO LAY THE HAND OF DEATH UPON OUR FRIEND AND FELLOW MEMBER, DR. HENRY FARRAR LINSCOTT, PROFESSOR OF LATIN IN THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY, AND A MAN WHOSE SCHOLARLY attainments, whose promise of a distinguished and useful career in life; whose gentlemanly bearing won the respect and admiration of all men; whose high ideals of correct teaching were an inspiration to all who came under his influence; therefore be it Resolved, by the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, that by Dr. Linscott's death, the teaching profession has lost a most useful member, the Teachers' Assembly a valuable official, and the State a good and noble citizen.
Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be printed in the minutes of the Assembly, and that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of them to the State papers, to the University trustees and to Dr. Linscott's family.
C. C. CRITTENDEN.
WHEREAS, the North Carolina Teachers' Association, and the profound sorrow of the recent death of Prof. Dr. H. F. Linscott, professor of Pedagogy in Wake Forest College, and a vice president of the North Carolina Teachers' Association, be it Resolved, that the Assembly mourns the death of Mr. Crittenden as the loss of an able teacher, an earnest advocate of education, and an unwavering foe to ignorance, as a scholarly Christian gentleman, whose brief career in this life gave promise of a future of usefulness and influence for all that is good in life, whose kindly and courteous manner won a host of sincere friends throughout the State, whose devotion to the higher ideals of his short career here worthy of emulation.
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Improvements to I. O. F. Home.
Several important matters were decided upon at a meeting of the trustees of the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home at Goldsboro last week. The buildings will be repaired, more furniture added, changes made in the plumbing and other permanent improvements provided. The salary of the assistant superintendent, Mrs. M. Arter, was increased; the duties of the seamstress were assigned to the matron, Mrs. Maffray. An assistant to Miss Peacock, instructor in music, will be employed. It was decided to change "The Orphans' Home" paper from a semi-monthly to a monthly, and to purchase new type and improve the outfit.
Gare For Excursionists.
President Taylor has called a general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held to-morrow afternoon at 8:30 o'clock for the purpose of considering a plan by which Summer excursionists may be better cared for while in the city. It is the plan to provide public conveniences and a place for the visitors to stop while in the city, waiting to go to the beach or to return to their homes. Not only all members of the Chamber are requested to attend the meeting but all public spirited citizens, especially the retail merchants who frequently remark upon the treatment of visitors while in the city.

IMPORTANT HEARING.

Interstate Commerce Commission Seeks to Enforce Its Order in Railroad Case.

TO ADJUST FREIGHT RATES.
Aid of Federal Court Invoked in Carrying Out Decision in Suit by Wilmington Tariff Association, Complaining of Discrimination.
Before Judge Furnell, presiding at a special term of the United States Circuit and District Courts in this city to-morrow, there will be a hearing in the important case of the Interstate Commerce Commission against the Carolina, Portsmouth and Virginia and about forty other railroads, including the Southern, Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Air Line, with their connections to Chicago, St. Louis and other western points, the object of the bill in equity by the Commerce Commission being to enforce its order against the railroads in the suit brought about four years ago by the Wilmington Tariff Association, which sought to correct an unjust discrimination in freight rates from the West to Wilmington in favor of Norfolk and other Virginia points which are competitors with Wilmington for the wholesale trade in the Carolinas.
In the suit of the Tariff Association the Commerce Commission has a sitting in Wilmington April 30th and 21st, 1899, and in Washington May 23-26. A decision was rendered in favor of Wilmington on Dec 17th, 1902. It is stated in the present bill in equity that May 7th, 1902, the Commerce Commission issued an order in conformity to its conclusions in the case and served the same upon the railroads; that the railroads have wholly disregarded and set at naught the order and have willfully and knowingly violated and disobeyed the same, and still do neglect and refuse to comply with the order or any part thereof, wherefore the complainant prays that upon final hearing a decree may be entered granting to complainant a writ of injunction or other proper process, mandatory or otherwise, to restrain the defendants from further continuing in their disregard of the order of the Commission; that a decree may be entered requiring the defendants to pay such sum of money not exceeding \$500 for every day after a day to be named in such decree that they shall fail to obey said process; that the defendants be required to pay cost and reasonable counsel fees in the litigation and for such other relief as the court may deem meet and proper.
The suit promises to be an interesting one as prescribing the exact powers of the Commission and will likely be taken to the highest tribunal in the land before its final termination. eminent counsel appear on both sides and a virtual battle royal between the Interstate Commerce Commission of the United States and the leading railway systems of the South and West. District Attorney Harry Skinner arrived last night to appear in the case in behalf of the complainant and the Commission will also be represented by its special solicitor, Hon. L. A. Shaver, of Washington. The special counsel for the railroads will be the distinguished Judge Ed. Baxter, of Nashville, Tenn. Other leading lawyers of the country will also be here to appear in the case.
There will also be this week a special term of the United States District Court for the trial of a number of cases left over from the regular Spring term, and several transferred last week from Raleigh. The petit jurors at the regular term were instructed at the time to appear here again on Tuesday, June 16th, at 10 A. M.

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Misses Mildred Davis and Reba Myers left yesterday for Chapel Hill to attend the University Summer School.
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Messrs. Benj. F. White, Jr., Gordon C. Johnson and George Thomas Farrar will leave Monday for the "Rocks" to spend a week on a fishing trip.
Mr. W. H. Shearin, who has been quite sick at his home at Castle Haynes, was reported much better yesterday. Mr. Shearin's little daughter is also quite sick.
Mrs. J. H. McDougall was summoned to Columbus, S. C., yesterday by a telegram announcing the death of her brother, Mr. C. J. Beckling, which occurred at his home in that city.
Mr. Gilbert Foard, who is at home from Trinity College, has taken charge of the cigar and news stand at the Seashore Hotel and will carry a full line of the leading papers, magazines, cigars, etc., during the season.

VISITORS ON A JAUNT.

Teachers the Guests of Captain Harper on Steamer Wilmington Yesterday.
VIEWED HISTORIC SITES.
Resolutions Passed on Friday Upon the Deaths of Two Leading Members of the Assembly—Some Have Returned Home—Notes.
The Teachers' Assembly having adjourned its business sessions at Wrightsville Friday night, many of the visitors came up to the city yesterday afternoon and became the guests of the gallant Capt. Jas. W. Harper for a delightful trip down the Cape Fear river on the new popular steamer "Wilmington." The boat left the city at 9:30 o'clock and returned yesterday evening at 7:45, about forty of the teachers having enjoyed the hospitality of their host.
The various points of historic interest down the Cape Fear were pointed out to the guests from the broad decks of the handsome steamer and a short stop was made at Southport, after which the boat was run under the magnificent fortifications at Fort Caswell and the visitors were given an opportunity of viewing the splendid post established by the government to guard the mouth of the Cape Fear. Fort Fisher and Old Brunswick were also pointed out and much interest was manifested by the visitors.
Upon their return to the city the guests for the trip held an informal meeting and adopted resolutions of most profound thanks to Capt. Harper for the pleasure afforded them. A few of the visitors still remain in the city, while others, loth to give up the delights of the Seashore Hotel, have returned there to spend Sunday. They are all unanimous in their praise of Manager Elston for his courteous treatment and splendid management of the hotel.
Resolutions of Respect.
Prof. R. D. W. Connor, Prof. E. C. Brooks and Prof. W. H. Bagdad, composing the committee appointed Thursday to draft suitable resolutions upon the death of Prof. Dr. H. F. Linscott and C. C. Crittenden, vice-presidents of the Assembly, reported during Friday morning's sessions as follows:
DR. HENRY FARRAR LINSCOTT, WILMINGTON, ALMIGHTY GOD HAS SEEN IT TO LAY THE HAND OF DEATH UPON OUR FRIEND AND FELLOW MEMBER, DR. HENRY FARRAR LINSCOTT, PROFESSOR OF LATIN IN THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY, AND A MAN WHOSE SCHOLARLY attainments, whose promise of a distinguished and useful career in life; whose gentlemanly bearing won the respect and admiration of all men; whose high ideals of correct teaching were an inspiration to all who came under his influence; therefore be it Resolved, by the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, that by Dr. Linscott's death, the teaching profession has lost a most useful member, the Teachers' Assembly a valuable official, and the State a good and noble citizen.
Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be printed in the minutes of the Assembly, and that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of them to the State papers, to the University trustees and to Dr. Linscott's family.
C. C. CRITTENDEN.
WHEREAS, the North Carolina Teachers' Association, and the profound sorrow of the recent death of Prof. Dr. H. F. Linscott, professor of Pedagogy in Wake Forest College, and a vice president of the North Carolina Teachers' Association, be it Resolved, that the Assembly mourns the death of Mr. Crittenden as the loss of an able teacher, an earnest advocate of education, and an unwavering foe to ignorance, as a scholarly Christian gentleman, whose brief career in this life gave promise of a future of usefulness and influence for all that is good in life, whose kindly and courteous manner won a host of sincere friends throughout the State, whose devotion to the higher ideals of his short career here worthy of emulation.
Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be preserved in the minutes of the Assembly and that the secretary be instructed to send a copy to the State papers and to the trustees of Wake Forest College and to members of Mr. Crittenden's family.
Improvements to I. O. F. Home.
Several important matters were decided upon at a meeting of the trustees of the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home at Goldsboro last week. The buildings will be repaired, more furniture added, changes made in the plumbing and other permanent improvements provided. The salary of the assistant superintendent, Mrs. M. Arter, was increased; the duties of the seamstress were assigned to the matron, Mrs. Maffray. An assistant to Miss Peacock, instructor in music, will be employed. It was decided to change "The Orphans' Home" paper from a semi-monthly to a monthly, and to purchase new type and improve the outfit.
Gare For Excursionists.
President Taylor has called a general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held to-morrow afternoon at 8:30 o'clock for the purpose of considering a plan by which Summer excursionists may be better cared for while in the city. It is the plan to provide public conveniences and a place for the visitors to stop while in the city, waiting to go to the beach or to return to their homes. Not only all members of the Chamber are requested to attend the meeting but all public spirited citizens, especially the retail merchants who frequently remark upon the treatment of visitors while in the city.

LOCAL DOTS.

A free musical concert will be given at the Casino this afternoon, 4 to 6 P. M.
The new police uniforms have arrived and are being donned by Wilmington's "finest."
The First Baptist church Sunday school will enjoy its annual outing at Carolina Beach next Friday.
Schooner "Jno. R. Bell" arrived off the bar yesterday afternoon with cargo of salt for Wilmington merchants.
The steamer "Hurt" blew out a cylinder head on the trip down from Fayetteville and the steamer "Highlander" has taken her run until repairs can be made.
Licenses was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Mattie Priddy, of Delgado, and Mr. Gary M. Lamar, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Lamar, of Wilmington.
The Post Exchange Band of Fort Caswell will give a free concert at Carolina Beach this afternoon. Fifty cents pays for the round trip, including supper.
Mr. Geo. A. Pierce has been appointed solicitor freight agent of the Seaboard Air Line, with headquarters in Continental Trust Building, Baltimore, Md.
The "White Caps" and "The Athletic Club," colored baseball organizations, will play at Hilton Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The admission is 10 and 15c.
A boy who has had experience in running Job Presses may secure employment by making immediate application at the STAR Office. Must be a resident of Wilmington.
Joe Yates and Wiley Mazingo, white boys, were tried for disorderly conduct by the Mayor yesterday. Yates got off with the costs and Mazingo was required to pay a fine of \$5.
Alarms from boxes 17 and 18 were sent to the Department yesterday afternoon on account of a small blaze which damaged a house at 309 Harnett street to the extent of about \$15.
Rev. E. McWhorter, of Southport, will deliver an address to the Progress Epworth League, of Bladen Street M. E. church, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited.
The steamer "Pen Dell" will leave at 1 o'clock Thursday morning for the Black Fish grounds. As number is limited, tickets should be secured at once from J. W. Fleet at Fish-bate Clothing Co.
Brooklyn Baptist Sunday school will run its annual excursion to Carolina Beach on Tuesday, June 23rd. There will be morning and afternoon trips of the boat. Fare for the round trip 25c. Refreshments free.
The funeral services of the late Mr. Rudolph L. Walton will be conducted at Harrison Creek Methodist church, Pender county, 18 miles from the city, by Rev. Y. E. Wright, of Scotts Hill, N. C., next Sunday, June 21st.
Truckers Coming by Hundreds.
Indications point to a large attendance upon the annual meeting of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association in the Court House in this city next Wednesday at noon. The season has been a highly successful one and the growers will naturally take great interest in the reports that will be submitted and the discussions that will take place. Mr. H. T. Bauman, the energetic business agent and secretary of the Association, has secured from the Atlantic Coast Line the usual rate of one and one-third class fare for the round trip for all who desire to attend. Tickets will be on sale Monday, 18th, limited to Thursday 18th, at all stations in the trucking belt.
Unique Funeral Notice.
Circulars bearing the following unique announcement were being circulated among the colored folk yesterday: "An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend the Funeral of our Departed Friend, Patsy Fenell, at St. John's Baptist church, Long Creek, The Third Sunday, June 21, 1903. Funeral by Rev. Isaiah Nixon. Boat leaves Market St. Dock at 8 o'clock A. M. Let's honor our deceased sister. Fare for round trip, 25c. Luncheon, Ice Cream, Lemonade, Will be Served. Wm. Lamb, Manager."
Captured After Six Years.
Van C. Griffin, the noted colored detective of Charlotte, arrived in the city yesterday and caused the arrest of John Horne, colored, who escaped from the Mecklenburg county chain gang May 19, 1897, after having served only a month or two of a three-year sentence for disturbing a religious meeting. Horne was arrested by Constable Savage at the wharf of the Hall Tie and Lumber Co., where he was employed as a laborer. He will be sent back to Charlotte to-day or tomorrow.
Injured by Exploding Torpedo.
Rees, the 10-year-old son of Mr. W. B. Duke, who resides at Sixth and Harnett streets, was quite painfully, if not seriously, hurt at Hilton Park yesterday during the ball game. Some negroes exploded a railroad torpedo on a brick and a fragment of it struck the little fellow just below the right nipple and came out under the arm, making a flesh wound about three inches long. Dr. Bellamy was called and dressed the wound and at last accounts the little boy was resting as quietly as could be expected.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK.

Grand Lodge of Pythians and Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Coming.
CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS.
Features of Entertainments Provided for Bodies of Representative North Carolinians and Their Lady Friends. In the City and at Beach.
Now that the Teachers' Assembly has come and gone, Wilmington and Wrightsville beach will bend all their energies toward the proper entertainment of this week of two other representative State bodies—the 33rd annual convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, and the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, both of which will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The Grand Chapter of Masons will also be accompanied by meetings of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, and conclude of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, of North Carolina, all of which will bring to the city perhaps the most representative gathering of men in the State. For all of the meetings entertaining local committees have been busily engaged in arranging programmes of business and pleasure for their guests and all expect to have a good time and one fraught with profit for their respective orders.
The Grand Lodge of Pythians promises to be remarkably well attended. The programme of the meeting has already been published in outline and it is only necessary here to state the features for the opening session, which will be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the handsome Cecil Hall of Stonewall, Clarendon and Jefferson lodges, on the third floor of the Murchison National Bank. The session will be brief and will only be for the conferring of the Grand Lodge degree upon delegates requiring only that qualification to sit as members of the body. As early as 9 o'clock the Lodge will adjourn to the Y. M. C. A. auditorium where a public reception will be given to the visitors and ladies of the city, who are cordially invited. The Knights and their lady friends will be welcomed to the city by Major Wm. F. Robertson, past chancellor of Stonewall Lodge, and the response will be by A. S. Barnard, Esq., of Asheville. Past Chancellor S. Behrens, of Germania Lodge, will be master of ceremonies, and a programme of music will be rendered under the able and successful direction of Mr. Ed. H. Munson. After the reception the visitors will leave by the suburban cars for the Seashore Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, which will be headquarters for the Grand Lodge. Succeeding days of the convention will be replete with business and pleasure, including the annual ceremonial of Susie Temple No. 78, Knights of Ebonians, who propose to conduct a horde of Wilmington tyros across the burning sands of the desert, ere the caravan moves back whence it came.
Mr. J. D. Nutt, possibly the most enthusiastic Knight yet discovered, has arranged to "tag" all the visitors immediately upon their arrival and to that end has an exceedingly "catchy" little novelty in the way of a convention badge. It is of celluloid, bearing the name of the wearer on the inside, K. of P. emblems on the outside, and a neat little leather strap by which to fasten it to the Knight fortunate enough to wear one of them. For the reception to the ladies handsome little memorandum cards, enclosed in celluloid, have been provided as souvenirs. The programmes—well, they need to be seen to be appreciated.