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Outlines.

Senate and House adjourned yesterday for the holiday recess. The Panama question was again a subject of discussion in the Senate. In the House the recent postoffice investigation was under consideration. Fire at Benson, N. C.; loss \$100,000. Boone Foster, white desperado, escaped from jail at Lenoir, N. C. Seven persons were killed and about thirty others injured, seventeen seriously, by the fire in the negro university at Nashville, Tenn. The situation on the coast is being handled with care. The situation on the coast is being handled with care. The situation on the coast is being handled with care.

Weather Report.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19, 1903. Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.: Temperature: 8 A. M., 36 degrees; 9 P. M., 48 degrees; maximum, 52 degrees; minimum, 28 degrees; mean, 39 degrees. Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.09. STORM WARNING. WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Southeast storm warning, 11 A. M., Charleston, S. C., to the north of Washington, D. C., to the north of Norfolk, Newport News, Portsmouth, Baltimore, Breakwater, Bay Island, Port Norris, Cape May, Atlantic City, Philadelphia, Sandy Hook, New York. Disturbance over the New England coast moving east. Brisk to high east to southeast winds to night, shifting to south west and west Sunday.

Forecast for To-day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—For North Carolina: Rain Sunday; warmer in part and extreme wet portions. Monday fair, colder; brisk to high east to west; winds shifting to west Sunday night.

Port Almanac—December 20.

San Blas 7:07 A. M.
San Pedro 4:59 P. M.
H. G. 9:47 A. M.
H. G. 3:14 P. M.
High water Wilmington, 11:44 P. M.

A good heading for the New York cotton market quotations would be "Cotton Yarns."

Roosevelt and Root have thrown out the life line to General Leonard Wood, but the general doctor will still be in danger while he is being hauled in over the Senate breakers. The newspapers may think they amuse the public by poking fun at Prof. Langley but notwithstanding all their jibes we can say in justification of the Professor that there are no flies on his flying machine, even if it hasn't yet come off its nest at the bottom of the Potomac.

General Reyes has had sufficient X rays by this time to enable him to see through Uncle Sam.

That very stiff object he sees in the rear part of Uncle Sam's anatomy is his backbone. After this we see that there need be no further demonstration by ex Reyes. Hanna's boomlet for President was inflating considerably, but when the Panama hold up gave Roosevelt a boost, Marcus A.'s chances got down with the gripes. Senator Hanna would still be in the race but for the fact that his boom couldn't run in a doubled-up fashion.

Now they say that radium worth a thousand times the price of champagne is found in every sizzling bottle of it.

When a fellow gets on the outside of a generous supply of the sparkling, perhaps that is why he so unmistakably feels his importance and opulence. An exchange of good intentions gives this advice, "Boys, always be bold." To this we will make answer for ourselves that Santa Claus is now too blooming close on us with his automobile for this youthful scribe to stay on the track long enough to discuss the question with you. Judging from the tin-tinabulations of the editorial bells, we can say that the press of North Carolina has rung loud and clear on the right of free speech. This might have been expected, as most of the papers have been stood for "the free and unlimited."

LOCAL DOTS.

The Harris-Parkinson Company leaves to-day for Newbern. British steamer "Gadaby," hence for Bremen, arrived out on the 18th inst. A forest fire was raging last night in the vicinity of Commissary Ray, east of the city. Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will hold a regular convocation Monday night for the election of officers. Vann's cigar store invites the attention of the public to a display of holiday goods, suitable for Christmas and New Year gifts. The date of L'Arroso Club's holiday german has been changed to Dec. 28th, instead of New Year's eve, as originally announced. The Rev. John Bass Shelton, of Chester, S. C., will preach in the First Baptist church this morning at 11 o'clock and to-night at 7:30. Cars will leave Front and Princess streets for Ocean View to day at 1:30, 3:30 and 5 P. M., returning leave Ocean View at 2, 4:30 and 4:45 P. M. Arthur Delvin, of Wilmington's 1901 baseball team and last year with Newbern, will be seen with the New York National League next season. The white citizens of Masonboro have organized a law and order society. The society proposes to accomplish a suppression of evil in the locality. Notice was posted yesterday that the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce here will be closed Friday and Saturday of next week, Dec. 25th and 26th. Mr. Richard Reeves, who is connected with the street department of the city, yesterday killed two one-year-old shorthorn calves weighing 675 pounds. Mr. Reeves raised the porkers at his home on North Fourth street. All men are invited to hear Rev. L. M. Roper, pastor of the First Baptist church of Spartanburg, S. C., at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock. His subject will be "Seven Reasons Why Every Man Should be a Christianian." There will be special music. The library of Thos. W. Dewey, defaulting cashier of the Newbern bank, will be sold at auction, Dec. 23rd. Mr. Dewey's literary tastes are said to have been of a very high order and the library worth several thousand dollars. People who have occasion to haul straw and other light material over the paved streets are asked not to overload their vehicles and strew trash along the thoroughfare as has been the case of late, much to the annoyance of the street cleaning department. The State has with the compliments of Mr. C. L. Dickinson, of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, a very handsome art calendar for the new year. Mr. Dickinson now devotes his entire time to the splendid company he represents and has an office in Room No. 4, Smith Building.

NEGROES RECEIVED THEIR MONEY.

By Going to Law, However, They Agreed to Pay the Costs. The cases of twenty-three negroes who sued the Hall Tie & Lumber Co. for wages aggregating about \$60,000, for work done after five were settled by compromise after five of the number had been adjudicated in Justice Fowler's court yesterday. Judgment for plaintiff was given in four of the cases heard, but in two of them the plaintiff had to pay the costs. The fifth was not pressed, the plaintiff not having been present to prove his claim. A settlement was reached in the 18 other cases by which the defendant paid the wages and the plaintiffs paid the costs. The Hall Tie & Lumber Co.'s books showed that more was claimed by the negroes than was agreed to. The company was surprised when the company paid them off according to the stipulated amounts. Louis Goodman, Esq., appeared for the plaintiffs and ex-Judge E. K. Bryan represented the defendant.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clerk of Court.—Useful gifts. The A. David Co.—Xmas books. C. W. Hayes & Co.—Santa Claus. F. E. Hashagen Co.—Santa Claus. Mercer & Evans—Xmas footwear. S. W. Sanders—Prepared for chapter. Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter. J. W. Pummer, Jr.—Candy, fruit. Wilmington Grocery Co.—This week G. E. French & Sons—Pretty slippers. Atlantic National Bank—Greetings. Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Merry Xmas.

STRENGTH LOCALS.

Notice—Slater in despair. C. R. L. & P. Co.—Notice. Furnished Rooms—For rent. Wanted—Sample distributors. Young Man—Position wanted. Reholder Bros.—Blooming plants. Reholder Bros.—For holidays. E. Warren & Son—Florida oranges. The tax on fireworks causes a great slaughter sale to-morrow at Reholder's. It will last till Thursday midnight. Handsome line of Goods for Christmas at A. D. Brown's. I am making a specialty of Ladies' set rings. Solid gold only. J. T. Burke. Special sale of Dinner Sets, Lamps and Toilet Sets, at Binsinger's China Parlor, 119 Market street.

U. D. C. IN SESSION.

Annual Meeting of United Daughters of the Confederacy Held Yesterday Afternoon.

OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR.

Interesting Annual Reports Indicate Chapter in Flourishing Condition—George Davis Monument—Arrangements for Gen Lee's Birthday. The annual meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, was held yesterday afternoon in the assembly room of the Wilmington Light Infantry armory. Mrs. M. S. Willard presided; Mrs. W. G. Pulliam was present as secretary and there was a good attendance of members, all of them enthusiastic over the year's work just completed and the prospect for greater achievements during the coming twelve-month. The chief features of the meeting were the election of officers for the ensuing term; the reading of very interesting and valuable annual reports and the appointment of committees to cooperate with the Confederate Veterans and Sons of Veterans in arranging for a fitting celebration of General Robert Lee's birthday on Tuesday, Jan. 19th. The election of officers resulted as follows: President—Mrs. M. S. Willard. Vice President—Mrs. T. E. Sprunt. Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. G. Pulliam. Treasurer—Mrs. Frank L. Hurling. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. G. A. Cardwell. Registrar—Miss Mary F. Sanders. The annual reports were very interesting and indicated a most successful year. The president's report dealt largely with the general interest of the Chapter while the fifteen certificates showed a very encouraging growth of membership. Fifteen certificates to new members were issued during the year. The treasurer's report showed the financial condition of the Chapter unusually strong. There was a larger surplus in the treasury at the end of the fiscal year than ever before at the same period. The committee reports were unusually interesting. A number of valuable additions were made to the Museum during the past twelve months and it was stated that the rooms at the armory are always open to those who desire to see the collection. A notable feature of the meeting was a special appropriation from the treasury to the fund for the erection of a monument to the Hon. George Davis, attorney general of the C. S. A. Special efforts will be put forth during the coming year to get the entire State interested in this worthy cause and raise the fund to sufficient proportions to guarantee the placing of an order for a handsome monument. State aid may be invoked for the ladies in their most commendable undertaking. The arrangements for General Lee's birthday were not discussed in detail, but to committees appointed was delegated the authority to make all preparations in their respective departments. The general committee to confer with the Veterans and Sons of Veterans in regard to the arrangement was appointed as follows: Mrs. M. S. Willard, Mrs. T. E. Sprunt, Mrs. W. G. Pulliam, Mrs. G. G. Thomas, Mrs. C. C. Brown and Miss Julia James. Other committees appointed for the day are as follows: Table Linen—Mrs. H. J. Gerke. Pickles—Mrs. T. E. Sprunt and Mrs. J. Hicks Bantling. Coffee—Mrs. J. J. Hedrick and Mrs. Mitt Moore. Table Decorations—Miss Mary Calder, chairman; Mrs. J. T. Hankin, Mrs. F. A. Lord and Miss Eliza Metts. Stage Decorations—Mrs. W. M. Parsley, chairman; Miss Minnie Brown and Mrs. S. F. Adams. China—Mrs. George Pritchard, chairman; Mrs. Robert S. Collins, Mrs. M. J. Hankins, Miss Alice Davis. Refreshments—Mrs. Lottie DeRosier Myers, chairman; Mrs. J. C. Munda, Mrs. W. L. DeRosier, Jr., Mrs. Janus Davis, Mrs. W. L. Harlow, Mrs. H. B. Short, Mrs. E. G. Smallbones, Mrs. Walter Rutland, Mrs. W. H. Northrop, Mrs. R. C. Cardwell, the Misses Peck, Miss Besie Wiggins, Miss Fannie Taylor, Mrs. R. W. Hicks, Mrs. G. E. French and Mrs. T. O. Bantling.

REV. C. B. PAUL RESIGNS.

Popular Pastor Gives Up Work to Attend Theological Seminary at Louisville. Rev. C. B. Paul, who has been the popular and consecrated pastor of Southside Baptist church since a year ago last May, has resigned the pastorate and will preach his farewell sermon to the congregation to-night. Rev. Mr. Paul resigns to attend the Spring term of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and will leave with his family Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 2nd, for that city. His resignation was announced at a meeting of the church held last night. The arrangements for General Lee's birthday were not discussed in detail, but to committees appointed was delegated the authority to make all preparations in their respective departments. The general committee to confer with the Veterans and Sons of Veterans in regard to the arrangement was appointed as follows: Mrs. M. S. Willard, Mrs. T. E. Sprunt, Mrs. W. G. Pulliam, Mrs. G. G. Thomas, Mrs. C. C. Brown and Miss Julia James. Other committees appointed for the day are as follows: Table Linen—Mrs. H. J. Gerke. Pickles—Mrs. T. E. Sprunt and Mrs. J. Hicks Bantling. Coffee—Mrs. J. J. Hedrick and Mrs. Mitt Moore. Table Decorations—Miss Mary Calder, chairman; Mrs. J. T. Hankin, Mrs. F. A. Lord and Miss Eliza Metts. Stage Decorations—Mrs. W. M. Parsley, chairman; Miss Minnie Brown and Mrs. S. F. Adams. China—Mrs. George Pritchard, chairman; Mrs. Robert S. Collins, Mrs. M. J. Hankins, Miss Alice Davis. Refreshments—Mrs. Lottie DeRosier Myers, chairman; Mrs. J. C. Munda, Mrs. W. L. DeRosier, Jr., Mrs. Janus Davis, Mrs. W. L. Harlow, Mrs. H. B. Short, Mrs. E. G. Smallbones, Mrs. Walter Rutland, Mrs. W. H. Northrop, Mrs. R. C. Cardwell, the Misses Peck, Miss Besie Wiggins, Miss Fannie Taylor, Mrs. R. W. Hicks, Mrs. G. E. French and Mrs. T. O. Bantling.

ROMEO AND JULIET COMING.

Christmas Day Offering at the Academy is Strongly Recommended. A brilliant revival of Romeo and Juliet by a competent cast will be the Christmas offering at the Academy Friday at matinee and night performances. Matinee prices will be 25 and 50 cents and at night the usual prices will prevail. Messrs. Cowan Bros. yesterday received the following endorsement of the company from B. S. Aronson, manager of the theatre in Henderson, N. C.: "Simville's Romeo and Juliet Company played last night to capacity. Strong company. Everyone satisfied. After the performance at Durham. Freeland telegraphed ahead as follows: 'Played Simville's Romeo and Juliet Company to large and well pleased audience. Excellent company. Recommended them.' Acting Manager J. W. Wilson, of the new Opera House, N. C., sent the following telegram ahead: 'Simville's Romeo and Juliet production here last night (Dec. 18) so crowded and delighted audience. Recommend them.'"

NEW RIFLES FOR INFANTRY.

Capt. A. P. Adrian, of the Wilmington Light Infantry, received a letter from Quartermaster General Macon yesterday saying the new Krag-Jorgensen rifles had been shipped. The general rifles had been shipped and the ones now in use will be returned. Full assortment of neck wear, handkerchiefs, mufflers and gloves at Polvogt's. Silver novelties 25 and 50c at Polvogt's. New Coats for Ladies and Children at A. D. Brown's.

FIRE SWEEPS BENSON, N. C.

Prosperous Johnston County Town Suffered Serious Conflagration Friday Night—A. C. L. Depot Burned. By Cable to the Morning Star. The town of Benson, Johnston county, about 35 miles north of Fayetteville, on the "short cut" division of the Atlantic Coast Line, was visited by a disastrous fire early Friday night, almost duplicating the \$75,000 blaze which devastated the town last Spring. Fifteen buildings in all were burned including the railroad depot, the post office and Boykin's hotel. The aggregate of losses is thought to be about \$85,000 with one-fourth insured. The portion of the town, newly built after last Spring's fire, was fortunately not touched, though for some time it was thought the whole matter was doomed. The Atlantic Coast Line sent a work train from Fayetteville to look after the property interests there and to keep the main line clear. The insurance rack at Benson is said to be almost prohibitory and for that reason only a small percentage of the loss was covered. The fire started about 8 o'clock in a small general merchandise store kept by a young man named A. H. Phillips, who had only three weeks ago invested all his earnings in a stock worth about \$300 and who lost every cent of the amount. Before closing the store that night he took every precaution and poured water on the fire before leaving.

NEGRO SHOT IN DROSS NECK.

Salvor Made Mordant Assault on Sea Captain With Club Axe—Well Dressed Stranger Begged—Other city Hall Notes. Before 6 o'clock yesterday evening the police began to realize that the quiet before the Christmas storm was about to break upon them in an avalanche of Saturday night offenders. At least half a dozen arrests were made and the men on the beats reported to the sergeants that the prospect for the night were encouraging for a big haul. Sam Falor, a country negro, was incidentally picked up at Front and Dock streets by Policeman J. J. Moore about 5 o'clock. A little later John Owens, colored, was arrested by Policeman Leon George in an alley, opposite the market house, charged with disorderly conduct, and when he was searched at the police station an ugly-looking pistol was taken from his person. Next there was a hurry call for the patrol wagon to go to Fourth and Harnett streets where Policeman C. E. Wood had arrested a long, very black woman, Mary Pope, charged with disorderly conduct. From then on it was a merry jing-a-ling of the telephone for the "black maria," and Monday morning Mayor Sizer will find a manifestation of Xmas times in the array of offenders before him.

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WHITE STRANGER BEGGING.

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MADEL PAIGE COMPANY.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Dr. C. S. Kerr, of Kerr, N. C., was an Orion guest yesterday. Mrs. C. B. Dudley and son, Earl, returned yesterday from Georgia and Florida. Mrs. J. T. Foy, of Scott's Hill, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Shepard. Mr. D. Amati Richardson left yesterday for New York to go on Keith's theatrical circuit as a violinist. Mr. Joe Armstrong and Mr. H. M. Emerson, Jr., are at home from Chapel Hill to spend the holidays. Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kegley, of this city, are spending the holidays in Newbern with Mrs. Kegley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Koch. Misses Eva Dell St. George and Miss Mary B. Pepper, two of Southport's charming young ladies, spent yesterday in the city. Mr. Fred L. Merritt and T. E. McIver, of the Standard Pile and T. Co., with headquarters in New York, are guests at the Orion. Capt. Thomas McGinn, proprietor of the new saw mill at Little River, S. C., which is now in operation, is in the city on a business trip. Judge W. A. Hoke, of Henderson, is in the city on his way home from Olliston, where he has been holding a special term of Sampson Superior Court. Capt. R. P. Johnson, of the U. S. Corps of Army Engineers here, left yesterday to join Mrs. Johnson, who is in Asheville at the bedside of her father. Friends of Capt. C. McD. Davis will be glad to know that a minor operation by Dr. Tiffany in Baltimore last week has restored to its normal condition the hand which he so seriously maimed aboard a yacht on Wrightsville Sound last Summer.

FOOTBALL CHRISTMAS DAY.

Collegians and Home Boys Will Try Conclusions on Hilton Gridiron. As a Christmas gift to everybody, and especially to the admirers of the brawny sport, the "Home Boys" and "Collegians" have arranged for a game of football on the Hilton gridiron for Christmas day, beginning at 9:30 o'clock. The line-up will include the best talent among those who are at home from college to spend the holidays and from the ranks of the "home boys" who know a thing or two about the great American game, when they are a mated to. The line-up will be as follows:

HOME BOYS. COLLEGIANS
Gause, T. L. 1 c. Orom
Holmes, E. 1 c. James E.
Grant, W. 1 c. James H.
Grady, C. D. 1 c. Molloy, W.
Southard, O. G. 1 c. Schulke, W.
Morse, N. S. 1 c. Orrell.
Parley, G. D. 1 c. Smith
Pechau, W. A. 1 c. Emerson, H.
Wright, J. B. 1 c. Armstrong, E.
Pechau, E. 1 c. Meares, T.
Subs—Duffy, P., Marshall, L., Le Grand, E., Hamme, F., Walters and Holmes, P.

NO ADMISSION FEE WILL BE CHARGED AND THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO WITNESS THE GAME.

SCHUBERT HALL RECITAL.

Delightful Programme Yesterday Afternoon by Pupils of Favorite Musicians. Following was the programme delightfully rendered yesterday at the regular Saturday afternoon piano recital in Schubert Hall:

Richard Thomas Berry to Henry T. Dula, for \$150, lot on north side of Rankin, 306 feet east of Dickinson street, 45 1/2 feet in size.
Elizabeth Carjohm, of Chatham, Ga., to Thos. E. Wright, for \$380, lot on south side of Bladen, 59 feet west of Fifth street, 14 1/2 feet in size.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds Which Appear From the Record as Filed Yesterday. Pembroke Jones and wife to John Campbell and wife, of Harnett township, for \$150, and the further consideration of an acre or more of other land, lot on Wrightsville Sound and the free use of a right of way adjoining.
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SUPREME COURT ADJOURNS.

Opinion of Interest to Municipalities. About Fifteen Cases Go Over. (Special Star Telegram.) RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 19.—The Supreme Court adjourned to-day for the term. One of the last opinions was Fawcett vs. Mt. Airy, in which the court overrules all former decisions and holds that light plants and water works are "necessary expenses" of a town, and aldermen can issue bonds for providing such without legislative authority or a vote of the people. The court leaves only about fifteen cases to go over in which decisions have not been handed down.

FOR FIREWORKS GO TO REHOLDER'S.

This week an enormous stock will be sold at a great reduction. If you want a good light to read by, get one of Binsinger's Lamps. 119 Market street.

THIS WILL BE A YEAR OF USEFUL GIFTS

According to the prevailing impression, and we have prepared to meet all such requirements of Men in things to wear. They are here in profusion, thousands of useful and good looking articles. NEC KTIES, what man ever had enough, hosts of them, 35 and 50 cents up. Handkerchiefs, 12 1-2c Up. Gloves, 50c up. Mufflers, Collars, Cuffs, Shirts, Rain Coats, Scarf Pins, Sleeve Buttons, Umbrellas, Etc.

THE A. DAVID CO.

Christmas is Near at Hand And we are waiting and ready to supply your wants in all kinds of Pretty Slippers and Shoes, as well as Leggins and Over-gaiters. See us for any foot wants, be they large or small. Geo. R. French & Sons. Our Store will be open after night this week.

A Merry xmas

And have you thought of a bank book of this institution as a Christmas present? Any sum may be deposited—from 25c upwards, in any name that you may designate. Surely no gift will be more appreciated. The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co., 108 Princess Street. J. W. NORWOOD, President. E. WALTERS, Vice President. C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

The Season's Greetings

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