

OUTLINES.

the fires in the devastated city of Francisco have about expended themselves and the loss is estimated from \$200,000,000 to \$500,000,000; camps of homeless people are being organized by military system, and hungry is being fed as well as the circumstances allow, provisions now being on every train; the food is being distributed in the streets and the million and the humble are glad to get new scraps alike; it is difficult to get the number of killed, but the ruins are constantly giving up their dead; in one house yesterday 40 bodies were recovered; some of the wretched homeless people have been driven to sanity, one man yesterday attempted to kill his wife; one of the horrors of the situation is the shooting of men and soldiers and officers policing the taken city—At Santa Rosa over 100 people were killed by Wednesday's earthquake—The relief fund all over the United States for the Pacific coast sufferers footed up not less than \$10,000,000 yesterday—Thirteen earth-shocks occurred in Rome and other Italian cities yesterday, but no damage is reported—Congress yesterday added another \$1,000,000 to the first \$9,000,000 for the earthquake and fire sufferers at Frisco—The Senate of the United States yesterday sent its condolence to the United States Senate—The earthquake wrecked every brick and stone building in Santa Rosa last Wednesday—Among the buildings surviving the San Francisco calamity is the Adobe church, 130 years old; shattered buildings in the city continue to collapse, greatly endangering lives which escaped the cataclysm—New York markets Money on call nominal; loans; time loans steady; spot cotton 5 points higher, closing quiet at 40; flour steady but dull; wheat steady; No. 2 red nominal; corn steady, No. 2, 57; oats steady; mixed, No. 2, 37 1/2; turpentine quiet, 67 3/4; rosin steady, strained common to good, 4.05.

FRUIT AND PRODUCE

Eight Annual Meeting of Association of Traveling Men and Merchants

ENTERTAINED AT THE BEACH

Large Party Arrived on Special Train From Strawberry Territory—Annual Election of Officers and Other Business Transacted.

The eighth annual meeting of the American Fruit and Produce Travelers' Association, composed of traveling men of the leading fruit and produce commission houses all over the United States, was held last night at the Lighthouse, on Wrightsville Sound, where an oyster roast and smoker was given in honor of the visitors by the business men of the city. There were more than fifty members in attendance, most of whom came over on a special train at 6 o'clock from Chadbourn where they were looking after shipments of strawberries for their respective houses. The special train was met by a chartered car of the Consolidated Company and the visitors went straight through to the Sound, having been met by the committee of entertainment and apprised of the plans for their entertainment.

A preliminary meeting of the Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Orton but no business of public interest was transacted. Upon the arrival of the visitors at the Sound last night the oyster roast and smoker was first enjoyed and the business session followed, the Lighthouse having been turned over to the Association for this purpose.

It was much regretted that Col. J. G. Thompson, the veteran president of the Association, could not be present and Vice President H. B. Gerrish, of Boston, presided in his stead. Mr. J. R. Franklin, of Baltimore, was at his post as secretary, having served efficiently in that capacity since the organization was formed in this city seven years ago.

The reports of all officers showed the Association in good shape and accomplishing much good in the trucking field all over the country in various ways. Fourteen new members were received at the meeting last night.

The annual election of officers resulted in a change of the staff all through. Those chosen are as follows:

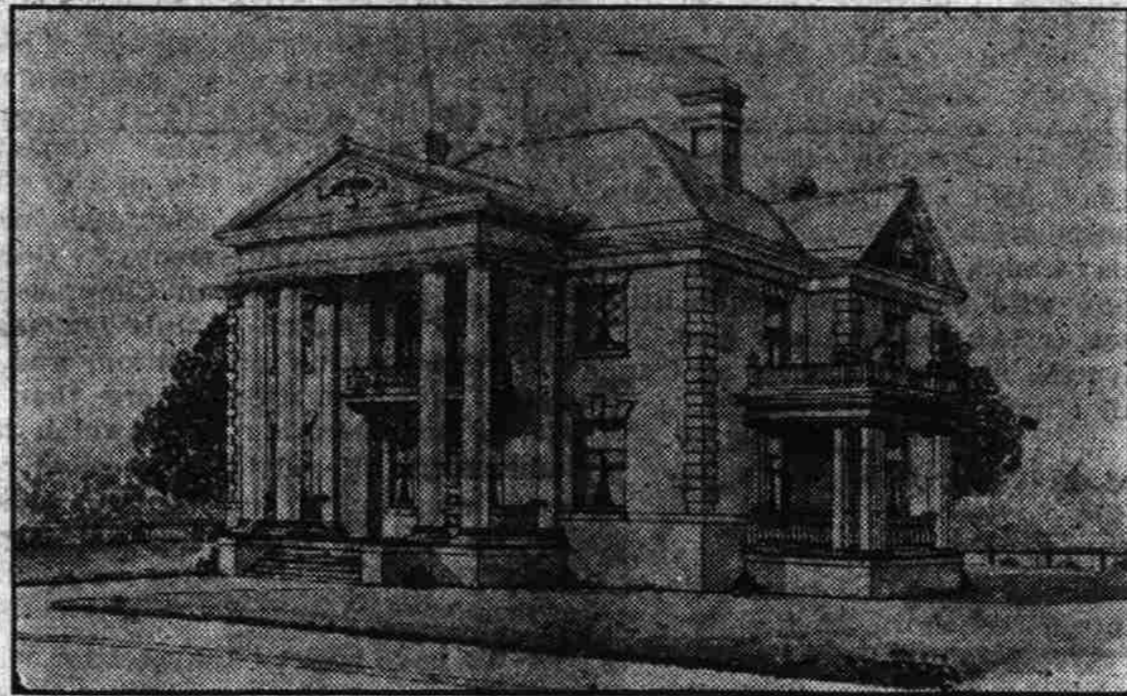
- President—H. B. Pearsons, of M. O. Coggins Co., Pittsburg, Pa.
Vice President—J. J. Parrish, of D. M. Wygant & Co., New York.
Secretary and Treasurer—M. J. Daetwyler, of R. Daetwyler & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.
Sergeant-at-Arms—E. K. Wetherill, of C. E. Barker & Co., Newark, N. J.
Other business was largely of a routine and private character. A resolution of thanks was adopted for the splendid entertainment given by the business men and the committee of arrangements which was composed of Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, chairman; Col. J. G. Thompson, of Philadelphia, and Mr. J. R. Franklin, of Baltimore. It was after 12 o'clock when the visitors returned to the city this morning, all expressing delight with the meeting. The membership now numbers 123.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

- Below Cost—Groceries.
Taylor's Bazaar—Milinery.
L. J. Mason—Land for Sale.
For Rent—Furnished Rooms.
S. & B. Solomon—Bargain Sale.
C. R. L. P. Co.—Gas Ranges.
Book-keeper—Position Wanted.
Shipping Clerk—Position Wanted.
People's Savings Bank—Savings.
Wanted—Revolutionary Pictures.
D. R. Foster Co.—House for Rent.
R. H. Woodward—Agents Wanted.
D. R. Fateser Co.—House for Rent.
Wm. D. Polite—Rathskeller Cafe.
The Orton—Chambermaids Wanted.
J. W. Murchison & Co.—Refrigerators.
J. G. Wright & Son—Bargain in Real Estate.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Week of Bargains.
John C. Winston Co.—10,000 Agents Wanted.
M. C. Hammond—Mutual Home and Real Estate Co.
Business Locals
John J. Furlong—For Sheriff.
Sol. Bear Co.—Schlitz Beer.
W. H. Biddle—Announcement.
Wm. M. Bellamy—Commissioner's SALE.
American Suburban Co.—Lots for Sale.
Concord Chapter, R. A. M.—Convocation.
T. E. Wallace—Attention Republicans.
M. O'Brien, chairman—Bids for Pavements.

HANDSOME SEE HOUSE

SOON TO BE ERECTED.



The above is from an excellent drawing of the handsome new Episcopal See House, which the Diocese of East Carolina will erect at a cost of \$12,000 for its Bishop, on Orange between Fifth and Sixth streets, in this city. The plans and specification are by Messrs. Cooper & Davis, architects in the Southern Building, and the contract for the same was awarded last night by the committee in charge to Mr. James H. Burris. It will be an exceedingly handsome residence of the Colonial style of architecture, veneered with buff colored pressed brick and given an attractive stone trimming. Work on the new building will begin before June and will be completed by Fall. The building will be modern in every respect and will be a credit to the city and the Diocese. There will be twelve rooms, broad verandas and the house will be steam heated and fitted with electric lights and all other conveniences. The plans of Messrs. Cooper & Davis were accepted in competition with a number of other architects, the award being made by a Diocesan Building Committee composed of Capt. T. D. Meares chairman; Mr. J. A. Taylor and Capt. Walter G. MacRae with the co-operation of Bishop and Mrs. Strange.

BERRIES BEGIN THIS WEEK

Great Movement of Luscious Fruit From Favored Territory—Twenty-Nine Cars Shipped

The strawberry movement from this territory will begin this week and before Saturday night miles of box cars laden with the luscious fruit will have been hurried north from north, south and east of Wilmington. In the Chadbourn section already the movement is heavy, 29 refrigerator car loads of 400 crates each having gone forward yesterday. Express shipments from all over the territory were large, 126 crates having gone forward from Rocky Point alone. The prices are reported to be very good indeed, ranging from 30 to 45 cents.

Mr. H. T. Bauman, business agent of the E. C. T. & F. G. Association, "the man on the watch-tower," as some one has been pleased to call him, will leave to-night for South Rocky Mount to take up his station at the junction office there, seeing to the re-loading of all cars and distributing the shipments to the best advantage in the markets north. From that point, Mr. Bauman also disseminates valuable information as to the movement to shippers all over the territory. During Mr. Bauman's absence his office in the Masonic Temple will be closed but all who have business needing attention are requested to call on President Wm. E. Springer, across the street.

The receiving agents of the Association at all important points North will also take up their stations this week. The crop of berries this year is expected to be fully as large as ever, but those in a position to know say that the vines, indicate that the fruit will not ripen so rapidly and simultaneously as was the case last year. This will greatly facilitate the movement by the transportation people.

HANDSOME NEW BUILDINGS.

Messrs. Cooper & Davis Have Drawn Plans for Two.

Messrs. Cooper & Davis, the architects have just completed and had accepted their plans for a handsome residence to be erected for Mr. W. G. Sale, of this city, on Saint James' Square, to cost \$3,300, and a handsome three-story brick hotel and mercantile building for Messrs. Sloan Brothers, at Wallace, to cost \$10,000. The residence for Mr. Sale will be built by Contractor James H. Burris. The building for Messrs. Sloan Brothers will be of white pressed brick and gray stone, trimmings. There will be three stores on the first floor while the second and third floors will be occupied for hotel purposes.

Form Republican Club.

Chairman Thos. E. Wallace, of the County Republican Executive Committee, gives notice that on to-morrow night in Germania Lodge Hall, No. 22 South Front street, there will be a meeting for the purpose of organizing a Republican Club. All persons interested in the movement are invited. Mr. Wallace says that in his opinion no county Republican ticket will be put out this campaign, but he could not stay as to a Legislative ticket.

Concert to-day at Lumina. Cars every half hour from 10 A. M. to 8 P. M.

The Co-Operative Grocery Company selling out below cost.

PARAGRAPHS OF THE PORT

Baltimore Steamer Arrives with Good General Cargo—Schooner Nellie B. Dey Here For Ocean Fisheries.

The schooner A. & M. Carlisle, Capt. Horner, having completed discharging cargo here, cleared yesterday, light for Jacksonville, Fla.

The Baltimore and Carolina Steamship Frostburg arrived yesterday morning from the home port and cleared in the afternoon for Georgetown, S. C. She brought a good general cargo of merchandise for Wilmington merchants, which was discharged at the wharves of the Wilmington Compress Mr. J. R. Franklin, of the firm of Sterling & Franklin, leading commission merchants of the Monumental City, was here yesterday and in speaking of the new steamer line said that Baltimore merchants were anxious to cultivate more intimate trade relations with Wilmington and that his firm hoped to do some business with the new steamer line in outgoing non-perishable freight from this port in the near future.

The new fishing steamer Nellie B. Dey, recently purchased by the Ocean Fisheries Company, of this city at Tiverton, R. I., reached port yesterday. She is a fine craft in every particular and is fitted with electric and powerful search lights, permitting operations quite as well by night as by day. She also has a system of electric bells, extending even to the masts whereby the man on the lookout can instantly inform the crew on deck when a school of menhaden is in sight and when in order for the nets to be dropped. The Dey was brought around by Capt. J. J. Adkins, general manager for the Ocean Fisheries Co. Mr. W. A. Rourik, president of the company, also accompanied the boat. The fish are now reported to be running well on the coast and the fleet of steamers of the Cape Fear Fisheries Company are said to be making large hauls.

On to New Orleans!

Confederate Veterans from all over the South will begin moving on New Orleans this week for the annual reunion. Brigadier General James I. Metts, of the Third Brigade, will leave this afternoon, joining members of his staff at Florence to-night and proceeding from there together. It promises to be a great meeting and the Veterans are looking forward to the reunion with much pleasure. The delegates appointed from Cape Fear Camp of this city, are Gen. Metts, Capt. Walter G. MacRae, Dr. E. Porter, Col. Jno. L. Cantwell, Col. W. J. Woodard and Mr. O. M. Fillyaw. A majority, if not all of the above, will leave to-day and to-morrow for the great meeting.

Brotherhood of Railway Clerks.

The Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, met in regular weekly lodge session last night. The meeting was well attended and very enthusiastic. It was decided to change the meeting night to Monday as early as practicable. This is to convenience certain departments of the A. C. L. general offices. There were 19 applications, 15 of which, were accepted. Several were initiated last night. The B. R. C. is here to stay, the leaders say, there is not a doubt, but that fully two thirds of the clerks employed here, including chief clerks, will be brotherhood men within the next few months.

Sacrifice sale of groceries at Co-Operative Grocery Co.

PYTHIANS RESPOND

Supreme Master of Exchequer Authorized to Send \$5,000 to California

K. OF P. OF UNITED STATES

Donation From Wilmington Will Go Forward Promptly—Mayor Waddell's Message to Chief Executive of Stricken City

Capt. T. D. Meares, of this city, Supreme Master of Exchequer of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, in the United States, yesterday received authority by telegraph from Supreme Chancellor Chas. E. Shiveley and other officers of the Supreme Lodge, K. of P., to forward at once out of the funds of the order a check for \$5,000 for the general relief of the sufferers in the San Francisco horror. This amount goes as a contribution from the Knights of Pythias of the United States to the aid of the unfortunate ones in that great city and State in the West. The authority was sent by the Supreme Chancellor from Fort Worth, Tex., where he is now on an official visitation and the check will be sent at once by Capt. Meares to Grand Chancellor R. F. Burris, of the California Grand Lodge, at Auburn, Cal., to be distributed through the proper channels as he may deem advisable. Several telegrams were exchanged by Capt. Meares and the Supreme Chancellor yesterday ascertaining the best and quickest means of making the contribution immediately available and securing the proper authority for the action named. It is a gracious act on the part of the Knights of Pythias in the United States and one in every way characteristic of that great order everywhere.

The City's Donation

The special appropriation of \$1,000 for the California relief, as made by the Aldermen Monday night, was concurred in at a special meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance held at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. The Board had suggested to the Aldermen an appropriation of \$500 but they heartily concurred in the larger amount unannouncedly and the same will be transmitted at once. Mayor Waddell yesterday sent the following telegram to the chief executive of the stricken city:

The Mayor of San Francisco, California. The City of Wilmington, North Carolina, tenders one thousand dollars for relief of your stricken city. Advise if I shall forward by wire or exchange. Our deepest sympathy is with you. A. M. WADDELL, Mayor.

Colored People Respond

Appreciating the fact that many of their own race are among the suffering in the great catastrophe on the Pacific coast and having, above that, a general feeling for human kind, the colored people of the city yesterday set themselves the pleasant duty of securing a fund among the leading members of their race. One hundred dollars was quickly raised and deposited here to the credit of the California fund with a telegraphic request to the Mayor of San Francisco to draw at once on the order of either John E. Taylor, Special Deputy Collector at the Custom House, or Dr. T. R. Mask. This expression from the colored people of the city is eminently proper and exhibits a magnanimity worthy of the highest commendation.

Chamber of Commerce.

Exclusive of a goodly sum raised by the Wilmington Lodge of Elks and substantial donations from several of the fraternal organizations of the city, a number of leading business men have made contributions through the Chamber of Commerce. The amount all told from Wilmington will aggregate a large sum.

The Eagles Respond.

Advices by telegraph to the local lodge last night conveyed the information from the headquarters of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Kansas City, Missouri, stating that based upon membership in the United States the Supreme Aerie would contribute \$6,500 to alleviate the suffering on the Pacific Coast. This magnanimous action on the part of the F. O. E. is a strong testimonial to the liberality of and the noble impulses which inspire the order all over the world. The following dispatch to the Washington Post in this connection will be read with interest:

Chicago, April 20.—Robert M. Minnahan, of Chicago, chairman of the National Board of Trustees of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, to-day authorized the National Society at Kansas City to levy a per capita tax of 25 cents on each member of the order in the United States and Canada, for the relief of distress in California. It is estimated that this tax will amount to \$90,000.

GREAT CELEBRATION

Eighty-Seventh Anniversary of Order to Be Appropriately Observed in Wilmington

THURSDAY NIGHT THIS WEEK

Addresses by Leading Members of Each Lodge and Programme of Fine Music—Officers Who Will Preside—The Committees.

The eighty-seventh anniversary of the establishment of Odd Fellowship in America will be appropriately observed, according to the beautiful custom of the order, by the four Wilmington lodges of the fraternity in the new I. O. O. F. hall, on Third street, Thursday night beginning at 8 o'clock. An attractive programme has been prepared by the committee in charge and the public is cordially invited, with all Odd Fellows, to the seating capacity of the room.

The music will be a striking feature of the exercises and will be by a double mixed quartette composed of Mrs. Cameron F. MacRae and Miss Mattie Lee Home, sopranos; Mrs. F. A. Muse and Mrs. Greene Fenley, alto; Mr. Robert C. Banks and Mr. Greene Fenley, tenors; Mr. James S. Williams and Mr. A. S. Holden basses; and a male quartette composed of the above named gentlemen. A special number will be a cornet solo by Mr. S. A. Schloss. The piano accompaniment for all the selections will be by Mrs. Mattie L. Chasten, the programme being as follows:

- Chorus.....Double Mixed Quartette
Selection.....Double Mixed Quartette
Cornet Solo.....Mr. S. A. Schloss

The music will be preceded by the ritualistic ceremonies of the order and will be interspersed by brief addresses of not exceeding ten minutes each. The speakers and their subjects, one from each branch of the order in the city will be as follows:

- "Friendship"—Rev. Alpheus McCullen, of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2.
"Central Link in Odd Fellowship"—H. O. Craig, of Orton Lodge, No. 67.
"Why I am an Odd Fellow"—Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., of Wilmington Lodge, No. 139.
"The Attitude of the Order Toward the Liquor Question"—E. N. Penny, of Hanover Lodge, No. 145.
"The Good of the Order"—Mrs. J. M. Lord, of Letitia Lodge, Daughters of Rebekah.

The list of officers who will preside upon the occasion and the committees in charge of the exercises are as follows:

- Noble Grand—Walker Taylor.
Vice Grand—B. J. Jacobs.
Secretary—S. G. Hall.
Treasurer—John E. Silvia.
Past Grand—W. L. Smith.
R. S. to N. G.—L. W. Moore.
L. S. to N. G.—Jno. H. Williams.
R. S. to V. G.—J. J. Craig.
L. S. to V. G.—O. E. Merritt.
Warden—D. Wilson Davis.
Conductor—W. J. Meredith.
O. G.—M. Hewitt.
I. G.—A. T. Parker.
R. S. S.—W. J. Swales.
L. S. S.—J. L. Middleton.
Chaplain—Rev. S. Mendelsohn, D. D.

- Music Committee—J. W. Fleet, E. Y. Davis, C. R. Spooner.
Hall Committee—C. D. Morrill, J. H. Swinson, T. G. Landen.
Decorations—L. Tate Bowden, J. F. Littleton, C. F. Williams.
Speaker's Committee—B. F. King, D. K. LeGwin, John E. Wood.

The General Committee of Arrangements embraces the above named who are from each of the four lodges of the city.

Dr. Sledd to Lecture.

Dr. B. F. Sledd, of Wake Forest College, will deliver a lecture on Browning at the High School next Friday evening, April 27th, under the auspices of the Literature Department of the Sorosis. Dr. Sledd is a scholar and writer of note and an entertaining lecturer. A treat is in store not only for those who are familiar with Browning, but for all who are interested in literature. There will be a short musical programme.

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