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OUTLINES.

The jury in the case of Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, charged with the murder of former Senator Brown, was unable to agree after five hours deliberations and was locked up for the night.

Both branches of the Sixtieth Congress assembled in Washington and after organizing, adjourned out of respect to members who had died during the recess—Benjamin J. Lightfoot of Americus, Ga., will die as the result of an assault on him by Marion Sims with a billiard cue—in the hearing of the case of the United States against the American Tobacco Co., at New York, Vice President Hill stated that any jobber could get their goods direct except in New York City.

Tommy Burns of America wins title of heavyweight champion of the World by knocking out Gunner Moir in the tenth round at London.

Forty-seven miners were probably killed by the explosion Sunday night in the Naomi mine at Fayette City, Pa.

Trial of Harry K. Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will commence January 6th.—New York markets: money on call firm, ruling rate 12 per cent; closed at 4 per cent; Flour steady with a slightly better demand, wheat, spot easy; corn, spot firm; rosin steady, turpentine quiet at 45; all grades of refined sugar were reduced 5 cents a hundred; cotton, spot steady, middling uplands 11.80, middling gulf 12.05.

Confidence, credit and currency—the three C's that control the financial world.

Here's to the new Congress—more backbone and less jawbone, please. No objection to the funnybone.

The demand for total aridness in Florida is so strong that the Governor now wants to drain the Everglades.

Raleigh will vote on Prohibition December 26th. What's the use? The boys will all "swear off" January 1st.

The Bradley trial has added absolutely nothing to the reputation of the Western people who elected Brown a Senator.

When Congress met yesterday Rhode Island was represented by only one Senator, but there is no telling whether he represents a little state or a big trust.

Once he was an honored teamster in his home town, but now Mr. D. C. Von has become general manager of a great railroad in the West. How have the mighty fallen.

In a recent fire in New York sixty dogs, valued at \$60,000 were destroyed. Never-the-less there are now about six million at large and their total worth is about thirty cents.

Will some scientist inform us when, where and how the term "blind tiger" originated? We see where the "blind" comes in, but what's the "tiger" got to do with it?

Ten-dollar gold pieces will be accepted at this office in payment of subscriptions. Never mind the mpto. The trouble with us is "we trust" our subscribers too long.

We have nothing to add to what our paragraphic contemporaries have said about the announcement of a scientist that "Mars is drying up" except that prohibition seems to be roosting high.

Mr. T. W. Clawson has retired from the editorial staff of The Morning Star and is succeeded by Mr. A. H. Gilmore, who for six years past has been doing newspaper work in Virginia.

The Evening Dispatch has been enlarged from a six-page to an eight-page paper. With a more comprehensive telegraph service and an increase in reading matter it presents a most creditable appearance.

A correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger writes: "Will some one kindly tell us what boys can do at night? We don't know how it is in Philadelphia, but what boys can do at night down this way is 'a plenty'."

With Dad Roosevelt throwing coins at "heads and tails" he has no kick coming when his favorite son, Kismet, is picked up in some back street for shooting craps. However, being of Royal blood he will probably commence by taking a few rounds at cotton futures and wind up at a poker table.

Here are three Democrats either of whom could carry his own State if nominated for President: George Gray, of Delaware; John A. Johnson, of Minnesota; William J. Gaynor, of New York. Could Mr. Bryan carry Nebraska? Could he carry New York? And have the Democrats any hope of success without the electoral vote of New York?

COUNTY'S NEW YEAR IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

Regular Monthly Meeting of Board of Commissioners Held Yesterday.

REORGANIZATION FOR TERM

Chairman McEachern Re-Elected and Bonds of Officers Renewed—Many Taxation Matters. Monthly Reports.

Yesterday marked the beginning of the new fiscal year of the county and the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners was largely taken up with reorganization for the new term, the approval of renewals of bonds of all county officers and the hearing of the usual annual reports.

All members of the Board were present, viz: Chairman McEachern and Messrs. Wm. F. Robertson, M. W. Divine, H. L. Vollers and W. F. Alexander. Before the reorganization of the Board the annual reports of the Chairman, County Treasurer Green and Clerk of the Superior Court were submitted and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Board then reorganized by the unanimous re-election of Chairman D. McEachern at the same salary as heretofore, viz: \$100 per month, Commissioner Robertson being in the chair. Chairman McEachern thanked the Board for the confidence reposed in him and pledged his best efforts in the interest of the county.

THE PYTHIAN HOSTS

District Meeting Here Last Night in Every Way A Complete Success.

THE VISITORS ENTERTAINED

Oyster Roast on the Sound With Dinner at Cafe—Address by Hon. Geo. C. Cabell, of Virginia. Other Features.

The meeting of the thirteen lodges of the First District, Knights of Pythias, Domain of North Carolina, in this city last evening, was a delightful success in every particular and was perhaps more largely attended than any previous district meeting in the history of the order in this section of Eastern Carolina. There were fully a hundred delegates from the nine lodges outside of Wilmington with several distinguished Pythians from this and other States, notably Grand Chancellor W. C. Crist, of Winston-Salem, and Supreme Representative George C. Cabell, of Virginia, the speaker of the evening.

The visitors began to arrive yesterday morning and by the time the afternoon trains were in the delegation from outside the city numbered fully a hundred. Hon. George C. Cabell arrived from Raleigh where on Sunday he delivered the annual address at the Elks' Memorial Service, and is the guest of Supreme Master of Exchequer T. D. Meares, of this city. Grand Chancellor W. C. Crist arrived from his home at Winston and was the guest of State Deputy Grand Chancellor J. D. Nutt. At 7 o'clock the visitors were taken on one of the large suburban cars of the Consolidated Company for a jaunt to the Sound and beach where those who desired were served with an old-fashioned oyster roast. The party reached the city on the return about 6 o'clock and were served an elegant dinner at the Wilmington Cafe, Second and Princess streets, covers having been laid for more than a hundred. The tables were very attractively decorated with pink and white chrysanthemums, while the walls and ledges were appropriately draped with bamboo, smilax, etc., making the luncheon altogether one of the most elaborate ever served at a down town cafe. An elegant menu tempted the palate of the large number of visiting as well as a large number of Wilmington Knights, and immediately after the dining, the party repaired to Castle Hall, third floor of the Murchison National Bank building where the district meeting proper was called to order shortly after 8 o'clock by the chancellor commander of Stonewall Lodge No. 1.

ELKS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

Exercises Sunday Were Largely Attended and Beautiful in Their Character—Fine Address by District Deputy.

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Oyster Roast on the Sound With Dinner at Cafe—Address by Hon. Geo. C. Cabell, of Virginia. Other Features.

It was the verdict of quite everyone who assembled in the Academy of Music Sabbath afternoon at 3:30 o'clock that the annual memorial exercises by the Wilmington Lodge of Elks this year were the prettiest and most impressive yet held in this city. The attendance was not unaccountably large but all joined most reverently in the spirit of the hour and the memories of those who have gone beyond were most fittingly honored.

The decorations and stage settings were by Rehder, the florist, and added much to the success of the services, plants and flowers having been used in profusion and a large electric wreath at the front of the stage having been an especial feature of the exercises in calling the roll of the honored dead. These departed ones were Messrs. F. W. Foster, R. L. Gates, R. E. Zachary, E. P. Bailey, John H. Gore, Edgar J. Bear, Felix H. Klutz, Leonard P. Aaron, John M. Wright, Leo Loeb and I. M. Bear.

The music was by a special choir composed of Mrs. James S. Longfellow, Mrs. James D. Smith, Mr. Brooke French, Mr. H. K. Holden, with Mrs. W. C. Munds accompanist. The Academy Orchestra delightfully rendered the instrumental selections. The invocation by the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., chaplain of the lodge, in which all stood and joined in the Lord's Prayer followed by a few remarks by Dr. Carmichael was one of the prettiest and most impressive portions of the ceremony.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Regular Monthly Meeting Held Last Night at The City Hall.

NO ACTION ON WATER WORKS

City Merely Renewed Its Offer of \$140,000 for Fifteen Days—Many Routine and Unimportant Matters.

The Board met shortly after 8 o'clock, all members being in attendance. The minutes of previous meetings were read and approved. The Mayor stated that before proceeding with the regular order of business, General Manager Skelding, of the Consolidated Company, if no objection, would be heard on a special matter. Mr. Skelding's communication was read and he explained what was wanted, viz: Permission to make a new cross over on Front, 50 feet south of Red Cross street and a siding on Castle, near Surry street. The matter was referred to the Streets and Wharves Committee with power to act.

Mr. Charles N. Evans, cashier of the Southern National Bank, was present and by permission of the Board asked for a share of the city's banking business, either in the way of deposits or loans. He referred to the Southern's ability to handle the business and upon motion, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

The call of standing committees was next in order and Chairman Bolles reported for that on finance. Tax erroneously paid by F. T. Mills to the amount of \$80 on sales tables, was refunded on recommendation of the committee. In regard to lease of the encampment grounds on the Sound, the committee was advised that any lease or sale of the property would be illegal and it was ordered that Mr. Pembroke Jones, who desired to lease the grounds, be so informed.

COLONIAL CHANGES HANDS.

Messrs. VanDuzen Brothers Lessees With Mr. Boyett Manager.

On yesterday—Messrs. VanDuzen Brothers, proprietors of the Crystal Palace on Second Street, took over under lease the Colonial Inn, Third and Market streets, and will conduct the same in the future with Mr. J. A. Boyett, formerly with the Seashore Hotel, as manager. The hotel is brand new and will be improved and made a first-class hostelry in every respect. Mr. Boyett is now proprietor of the Wilmington Cafe, in the Garrell Building, but will continue this business also. He is a man of wide experience and during the past Summer had charge of one of the leading resort hotels in Western North Carolina. The Colonial promises to do well under the new management.

HIS LEG BROKEN

Clerk at McEachern's Feed Store Injured by Falling Hay.

Young Mr. Walter C. Davis, a clerk at the feed store of John S. McEachern Sons, on Market street, suffered a painful fracture of the leg just below the knee as the result of a bale of hay falling on him at the store yesterday afternoon. A colored man at work at the pile of hay was also slightly hurt. Young Mr. Davis was removed to the home of his father, Mr. James Davis, No. 209 North Seventh street, where Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy gave him the needed attention. He will be laid up several weeks in consequence of his injury.

Wilmington Welcomes Him.

Wilmington is pleased to welcome as a resident and practitioner, Dr. J. G. Murphy, of Kenansville, specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He has recently completed the full course of study and practice in Baltimore and has opened offices in the Southern Building. Before taking the specialty Dr. Murphy was a leading physician of Duplin county, located at Kenansville. He graduated at the University in 1898, took two years in medicine there and was then elected professor of Physics at the University of Louisville where he completed his medical education, receiving the degree of M. D. He is well equipped for the practice of his specialty in medicine and Wilmington is pleased to have him here.

THE THEATORIUM

New Management of Popular Market Street Amusement Place.

Mr. George S. Brantley, of Charleston, S. C., with considerable experience in the amusement line in his home city, has taken charge as manager of The Theatorium, on Market street, and will make many improvements at this popular motion picture show. It will be thoroughly overhauled and renovated and brought up to the high standard of the enterprises with which Mr. Brantley has conducted elsewhere. Mr. Don. H. Gestefeld, a baritone soloist of splendid voice, has been engaged for the illustrated songs that will be an attractive feature of each performance. He was late with the Henry W. Savage opera company and comes direct to Wilmington from New York. The theatre will be open from 2 in the afternoon till at night.

Married Yesterday Evening.

Yesterday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Rackley, No. 6 Delgado, Miss Helen Rackley and Mr. John A. Rivenbark were happily married in the presence of a goodly company of friends who had gathered to witness the pretty ceremony. Rev. A. J. Bordeaux officiated and after the service the bride and groom received the happiest felicitations of their many friends assembled. Both are popular young people in this city and will make their home at 412 South Fourth street where they will receive their friends.

and Supreme Representative J. L. Scott, Jr.

It was regretted that these other prominent Pythians could not be present.

A stenographic report of the proceedings was made by Mr. Herbert Hill Ford, of this city, for the official organ in this State, the Carolina Pythian, of Charlotte.

After the close of the meeting the visiting Pythians were entertained at a theater party at the Crystal Palace, near Second and Princess streets, where a special performance was given. The visitors return to their homes today. The lodges represented were the four in Wilmington, Clarkton, Chadbourne, Whiteville, Southport, Council, Loyal, Wallace, Elizabethtown and Rose Hill. It was resolved to hold the next district meeting at Wallace.

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