

WILMINGTON, N. C. FRIDAY, January 8, 1902. In writing to change your address...

TROUBLED REPUBLICANS.

In his message to Congress President Harrison discoursed quite seriously on the subject of gerrymandering.

In some of those States the Republican majority was so small as to leave it doubtful whether it had a majority at all.

The State of New York is on a fair, square election a Democratic State, by a majority ranging all the way from 10,000 to 50,000.

Now that they have been beaten, and the highest court of the State has declared that the Democrats have a majority in the State Senate.

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This is a little game of bluff which will not work if it should be attempted, for the Democrats have a majority of two without depending upon the casting vote of the presiding officer.

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FOREIGN IMMIGRATION.

Of the half million of foreign immigrants who arrive in this country but a very small percentage find their way South.

There are several reasons, and good ones, why the West attracts these people, and gets them in such large numbers, and why the South, even if she made a systematic effort, could not get them.

They are told that the negroes, of whom they know nothing, are savage cannibals, and eat all the children who happen to leave home unprotected.

Then, again, the system of transportation to the West is perfect. The emigrants can buy passage tickets in their native towns which will land them and their families in Minnesota, the Dakotas, Idaho, Utah, or anywhere else in the far West that they desire to go to.

These lands are all good grain and grass lands, and most of them prairie where all the settler has to do is plow and plant, no clearing to be done and consequently but little expense incurred before a crop is harvested.

There are large sections out there where these people own all the land and there are no other settlers to be found. They preserve their manners, customs and their language.

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MINOR MENTION.

The New York Sun, in a brief article on the Presidential contest this year, calls attention to the fact that forty-four States will participate in it.

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Representative Wm. C. Oates, of Alabama, has introduced a bill in Congress authorizing national banks to loan money on real estate security.

It is with sorrow weep in our hearts that we learn of the death of our highly esteemed Vice President and fellow citizen, Maj. J. D. Love.

Bulgaria flatly refuses to restore the expelled Mr. Chadouine, or to comply with the demands of France in the premises, and politely but firmly intimates that France has no grievance against Bulgaria.

The rice market. The dealers in rice say not much change in prices may be expected before February. The supply on hand, despite the fact that the crop is considered somewhat short, is much larger than it was last year at this time.

The Atlantic Coast Line. In order to accommodate the Richmond and Wilmington travel, arrangements have been made to put on a sleeper between said points on trains Nos. 13 and 68.

The New Postal Cards. Several of the new postal cards now being issued by the government have been received here. They are 6 1/2 inches long by 3 1/2 inches wide, and are nearly half as large again as the old cards, which were 3 1/2 by 2 1/2 inches.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE GRIP.

Major Thad. D. Love, one of Wilmington's most respected and esteemed citizens.

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Capt. Walsh Shot at by a Half-Drunken Passenger.

Friday afternoon last Capt. George Welsh, Conductor on the Carolina Central Railroad, was shot at and barely escaped unharmed.

A man named John Rushing, from Waco, Texas, boarded the train at Rockingham with a ticket to Wadesboro. He didn't get off the train at Wadesboro and Capt. Welsh asked him where he was going.

A few minutes afterwards as the train was about to start, Rushing, the ejected passenger, drew a pistol and fired at Capt. Welsh as he stood in the door of the car; but fortunately the bullet missed its mark.

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CRIMINAL COURT.

January Term of the Criminal Court, His Honor Justice Meares presiding, convened yesterday.

Col. B. R. Moore, the Solicitor, was too unwell to attend, in his absence Col. A. M. Waddell and Mr. A. J. Marshall represented the State.

The grand jury for the term was impaneled as follows: Jas. W. Collins, foreman; I. H. Greenwald, W. G. McRae, A. K. Heath, Miles F. Costin, Geo. W. Carter, E. T. Draper, Benj. Scott, Jno. D. Woody, John A. Barnes, Wm. P. Iyer, N. D. Casteen, O. P. Cazaux, John Dyer, H. Gerdt.

The grand jury returned true bills against Robt. Chadwick; assault and battery with a deadly weapon; Wm. Sheppard, larceny; Julia Murray, colored, assault with a deadly weapon. These cases were set for this morning.

The case of the State against Teachy, colored, forcible trespass. Submitted and judgment suspended in payment of costs.

The case against Pharoah, colored, assault and battery. Defendant submitted; judgment suspended.

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WASHINGTON NEWS.

Speaker Crisp too sick to be present when the House convened—McMillin the probable choice for Speaker pro tem.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—It is definitely settled that Speaker Crisp will not call the House to order to-morrow, when it reconvenes after the customary Christmas recess.

The Speaker continues to improve in health, but his recovery is very slow and has not yet progressed far enough to make it safe for him to leave his room.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Carthage Blade: Died at her home, at Ole's Mill on Wednesday night last of his grippe, Mrs. Cole, wife of Robert Cole, aged 85.

Oxford Day: Owen Davis, large prize winner at Henderson caught at 3 o'clock Monday and was destroyed with its contents—a heavy stock of tobacco. The fire department prevented the spread of the flames.

Salisbury Herald: Mr. J. F. McLean, traveling salesman for the Thompson Tobacco Works, reports the receipt of a discovery of a rich asbestos mine in Watauga county, on Rich mountain.

Winston Sentinel: It is semi-officially stated that the effort to organize a company to manufacture American cigarettes in opposition to the American Tobacco Company has been crowned with success.

Stanley News: Died on last Thursday night, near Silver, Ferdinand Foreman, of paralysis. Mr. Foreman is a well known citizen of Stanley, and was about 60 years of age.

King's Mountain News: Mr. C. R. Falls, who left our town rather abruptly on Wednesday afternoon, is now known by our citizens.

Charlotte Chronicle: News was received here Sunday of the death, at his home in Gaston county, of Wm. T. Shipp, a brother-in-law of Mrs. J. B. Rankin and Col. J. Johnson.

Raleigh Chronicle: Mr. Omega Foster said yesterday that the compress had this season handled 33,000 bales of cotton, or about 30,000 bales less than that of last year.

Oxford Day: Sunday morning Bill Marable, a young colored man under twenty years of age, was arrested on a charge of larceny.

RAILROAD NOTES.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 31.—Runners of a deal by which the Louisville and Nashville railroad will absorb the South Carolina road are again here.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Regular Meeting of Board of Commissioners—Reports of Officers—Jury Drawn for the Superior Court.

U. S. SUPREME COURT.

Decision Concerning the South Carolina Railway Commission.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—A law of the State of South Carolina provides that the expenses of the State Railway Commission shall be borne by railroads doing business in the State.

SALOON KEEPERS.

Liability for Damages in Certain Cases Under the Laws of Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4.—The Supreme Court to-day decided that a saloon keeper is liable for damages in the case of injuries received resulting from the sale of liquor to an intoxicated person.

ALDERMEN GO WET.

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ANDREW JACKSON.

The Ladies' Hermitage Association Ask Observance of the Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans.

NASHVILLE, TENN., January 5.—The following explains itself: The Ladies' Hermitage Association, whose mission is to save from ruin and decay the honor of Andrew Jackson.

EX-GOV. SCALES.

At the Point of Death at His Home in Greensboro.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 5.—A special column of Greensboro, N. C., says that the condition of Ex-Gov. Scales is quite critical, and his death may be expected almost any hour.

TOURIST TRAVEL.

Reports Indicate It Will Be Very Heavy This Season.

The Charleston News and Courier of Monday says: Mr. T. M. Emerson, who is one of the busiest and most persistent traffic managers in the country, is hard at work making arrangements for the comfortable and rapid moving of the winter tourists, who are now beginning to come South.