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ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

There is great activity now in some of the Northern States in projecting city and suburban electric railways. In the State of Ohio it has almost reached the proportions of a craze...

ABSD REPORTS.

The newspaper reporter in Washington is paid to furnish news and some of them are so anxious to win a reputation as live, wide-awake hustlers, that if they can't find any news they make it, or out of a very little make a great deal.

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THE WEEKLY STAR.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 1893.

from the smaller to the larger towns or commercial centers. Take two cities, for instance, forty or fifty miles apart. Companies will be organized with ample capital to buy large bodies of land between them, lay out fine highways, with inviting walks and drives, lighted by electricity, and with double track electric roads, giving the people who live along the line quick transit throughout the day and part of the night, in and out, to and from, either of the connected points.

Mr. Cleveland, although a very able man and a man of much physical and mental robustness, could, if he would, run all these Departments in addition to his own. If he could there would be no need of a Cabinet, and he might dispense with the services of the gentlemen who compose it.

The latest report is that Senator Gorman has had a break with the President and that he is "black-listed" in all the Departments, which means that if Senator Gorman wants anything he can't get it, and that his endorsement would be worse than no endorsement at all.

The Chicago Inter Ocean, Rep., seems to be very much disturbed because the President is reported to have told some one that "he had information that led him to believe that the force of clerks in the Pension Office could be reduced by about 400 or 500 to the benefit of the Government, not only in economy, but in the more rapid disposition of the work."

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THE NEW COURT HOUSE.

The new court house, erected by the county of New Hanover, corner of Third and Princess streets will be thrown open for the inspection of the public to-morrow and Tuesday, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. It is well worth a visit.

The building throughout will be lighted by gas and electricity, and in cold weather warmed by hot water pipes. The ventilation throughout is perfect. A large brick cistern, built on the latest improved plan, will furnish an ample supply of water for all the rooms and offices.

The court room, on the second floor, covers the whole front of the building. It is furnished with benches for spectators. The floor is covered with matting. The bar is enclosed with railing and furnished with chairs and tables for members; the jury box, the stand for witnesses, and the clerk's desk are conveniently placed and furnished.

The New Bern Journal gives the following interesting information: The New Bern, Wilmington & Onslow railroad intends to have connection and daily communication between New Bern and Wilmington from next Monday onward.

The Weather Bureau office here is keeping the tractors in this section well informed as to the weather. The observer in charge has made arrangements to post his daily weather map and forecasts at each station on the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. between Wilmington and Fayetteville.

A dispatch from Asheville, N. C., says, "Mr. Howell Cobb, proprietor of the Swannanoa Hotel here, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Cobb some time ago bought the new hotel at Hendersonville, which was only about half completed, and has been put to heavy expense in finishing and equipping it, and it is thought this is the most serious case of money ever where combined to bring about his failure."

Mr. Howell Cobb was proprietor of the Purcell House in Wilmington some years ago. He is a native of Georgia and is now residing in Asheville, N. C.

The Star received last night, with compliments of Mr. Scott Stanford, an article from the garden of Mrs. B. F. Grady, of Walling, in variety, beauty and fragrance they would charm the most exacting connoisseur, and were convincing proof of the rare taste of Mrs. Grady in floriculture.

TURPENTINE TANKS.

A New Scheme in Savannah-The Tank System-One to be Erected to Hold 12,000 Barrels. Savannah, which now claims the proud distinction of being the leading naval stores market of the world, has taken an important step which it is thought will exercise a great influence in controlling the price of spirits turpentine.

The tank system for storing spirits turpentine is now an assured thing for Savannah, and the first tank will be erected before the opening of the coming season. The gentlemen who have the matter in hand have progressed so far with the plans that they have begun to seek a location for the plant and secure estimates for the construction of tank.

The Cape Fear River, N. C., is one of the most interesting in the world. It is a beautiful body of water, and is the largest in the South. The river is navigable for 100 miles, and is the largest in the South. The river is navigable for 100 miles, and is the largest in the South.

Referring to the statement in the News that the receipts at the Charlotte post-office for the quarter ending March 31st were \$6,897.19, and for the year ending the same date were \$29,938.88, it is in order to give the following concerning the Wilmington post-office:

The expenses of the Charlotte post-office for the year were \$17,843.84. So, it will be seen, that while the receipts of the Wilmington office for the year were \$9,112.16 in excess of those of Charlotte, the expenses were \$8,731.68 less.

On Thursday morning of last week, Mrs. Burkhardt, Thomas, and Mr. Thomas Evans, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage, arrived from Wilmington, and with Dr. W. G. Curtis and Mayor Westcott, of Southport, took a trip up the river to look at the quarantine hospital, for which an appropriation of \$80,000 was made by the last General Assembly.

The following is a list of the names of the gentlemen mentioned above, after careful consideration, decided that the best and most practical spot at which to locate the hospital would be at a point above Deep Water Point, on the east side of the channel, to the west of Dan's Rock.

The following dispatch to Capt. G. G. Lynch from Mr. T. M. Emerson was received at 1 o'clock Monday and it is published by Capt. Lynch's request, and will be appreciated by every person in Florence. It was more especially by those who were so unfortunate in losing their property.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Maxton Union and Scottish Chief: More guano has been purchased by the firmers of this section this spring than ever before in one year. This means custom at 6 cents and hard times next year.

—Concord Standard: Thirty-three thousand of the forty thousand dollar stock in the proposed cotton factory for China Grove, has been subscribed. Mr. Patterson thinks there will be no trouble about securing the remainder.

—Raleigh Visitor: The following is a description of John Allen Johnston the attempted murderer of Deputy Marshall U. Church. Age 37, light complexion, 6 ft 7 in high, weight about 150 pounds, brown hair, light brown mustache, on his left arm is tattooed his initials and a woman's leg.

—Chatham Record: Mr. Hilliard Rogers, who lives near the Wake and Chatham line, has a vinegar barrel that is said to have been used for 100 years. He is now 87 years old, and his father whidied many years ago when nearly 100 years old told him that this barrel had been used by his father several years before he was born. The barrel still will be used in good condition, for keeping vinegar.

—Rocky Mount Argonaut: On Monday police arrested three Germans on a telegram from the Sheriff of Johnston county, on suspicion of cracking a safe in Hood's general merchandise store at Smithfield, from which \$890 and a good watch were stolen. Sheriff Fuller came up on Tuesday, but concluded that there was not much chance to convict, so they were released.

—Sanford Express: Since Mr. L. A. Weedon built his shuttle block factory here he has cut about one thousand cords of wood. He has paid on an average \$6.00 per cord for it, and he has made \$6,000. This handsome sum of money went into the pockets of the poor, dejected and honest farmers of this section, and has been of untold benefit to them. Mr. Weedon has several hands employed and is cutting the timber very fast.

—Wayne-Duplin Review: Dubb Oates, colored, aged 93 years, who works upon Mr. J. B. McCallen's place, a mile and a half from town, is able to chop an acre of cotton in a week. He has never been ill in his life. He has had a very old cow, a span of horses, and a mule, and he is able to do all the work on the farm. He is a very old man, and his hair is white. He is a very old man, and his hair is white.

—Charlotte News: Charlotte has been put in quick railroad communication with Charleston by a new connection with the Carolina Central. A passenger can leave Charlotte at 10:00 a. m., through the Carolina Central, and reach Charleston at 10:08 p. m. The Carolina Central trains now connect with the Charleston, Sumter & Northern trains at Hamlet, N. C. The iron bridge across First Broad river, on the Three C's road, was completed yesterday, and the train crossed for the first time today. To-morrow the work will be commenced on the Second Broad river iron bridge and pushed rapidly to a finish.

WILMINGTON SYMPATHIZES. Editor Wilmington Times: Sir—We heartily sympathize with your City in the terrible visitation. We suppose the work of rebuilding will begin at once. Truly, Yours, W. B. WORTH. Wilmington, N. C., April 4, 1893.