

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Record extends the greetings of the season to all its readers and wishes them, each and all, a "Happy New Year"!

A NEW RAILROAD.

A railroad is projected from Wilson via Fayetteville to Florence, S. C. It is thought that this road will certainly be built.

RIOT AT PLYMOUTH.

The people of North Carolina, both black and white, are so law-abiding, and it so rarely happens that an officer of the law is resisted that every body was much surprised to hear that a riot had occurred in one of our towns during the Christmas holidays.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

We publish in this issue a most interesting communication from our very zealous county superintendent of public instruction in regard to our public schools, to which we invite the careful consideration of our readers.

WONDERFUL WALKING.

In a pedestrian contest that took place last week in New York the winner, a man named Fitzgerald, made the unprecedented distance of five hundred and eighty-two miles in six days!

EMIGRATION EXTRAORDINARY.

During the past year there has been an unprecedented exodus from the old world, the number of emigrants arriving in the United States being larger than during any preceding year.

THE EXPOSITION CLOSED.

On last Saturday the International Cotton Exposition at Atlanta was formally closed with appropriate ceremonies. Gov. Colquitt delivered the closing address and giving the signal for stopping all the machinery.

The crowd that visited the Exposition was unusually representative in its character. The legislatures of three States, went in a body to the Exposition.

Good Railroad Work.

Mr. W. A. Hearne has recently gone over the road bed of the Midland from Goldsboro to Smithfield, and thus writes to the News & Observer what he thinks of the work:

Our Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2, 1882

The grumbling, loud and deep, over Speaker Keifer's Committee, which has been going on ever since they were announced, has not yet abated, and the more the subject is discussed and examined the more and greater are the causes found to exist for this universal disapproval.

Within twelve months from the ratification the road is to be completed and equipped in good running order from Raccoon, near the North Carolina line, by way of Shoe Heel and Fayetteville to Greensboro. Within two years it is to be built and equipped in like manner from Greensboro to Mt. Airy, passing by Bruce's X Roads, Walnut Cove and Germantown.

To illustrate the unparalleled participation of the present organization let us take the Committee on Education, one which passes upon questions of the highest privilege—the right of a Member to his seat.

A failure to begin work in thirty days, or to complete the different parts of the road according to this agreement, subjects the purchaser to a penalty of \$2,500 per month as long as the default continues, which, however, the Governor can remit in his discretion, and if not remitted the penalties are a lien on the stock which shall be sold to satisfy the same.

It appears therefore that the first thing to be done is for Dr. Canedo to get the signatures of his associates, the next the acceptance of the contract by the railroad company. These have to be done within forty days. Then within sixty days the money is to be paid and within thirty more the work is to begin.

General News.

A Los Angeles dispatch states that Mrs. Cruz, living at Florence, Los Angeles county, Cal., gave birth, last Friday, to six perfectly formed female children.

Joe Taylor, the present head of the Mormon church, has built a magnificent palace, and the furnishing alone, it is said, will cost from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

The late Siro Delmonico sometimes smoked as many as one hundred cigars a day. His physician had told him that unless he should stop smoking he must look out for sudden death.

John E. Owsley, a Chicago millionaire, died a few days ago. When Chicago was a small town he settled there and bought twenty acres for a farm. The twenty acres are now in the heart of the city.

Postmaster General James states that a country postmaster wrote a day or two ago, saying: "A man's wife dropped a letter in this office addressed to another man. The husband suspects something wrong. Shall I deliver the letter to him?"

There are some people in New Haven who have strange appetites. One young lady, who learned the habit of boarding school, eats three double handfuls of charcoal every day.

The oldest officer in Queen Victoria's Royal Marines has just passed away in the person of Lieutenant Robert Smithwick, whose death is announced at Tisbury, Chesire.

The admission of colored children to the Fishing-I. I. High School still excites the residents of that village. On Tuesday a largely attended meeting was held at the Town Hall.

Color Prejudice.

From New York Herald. The admission of colored children to the Fishing-I. I. High School still excites the residents of that village.

Mrs. Partington says.

Don't take any of the quack nostrums, as they are regimental to the human system; but put your trust in Hop Bitters, which will cure general indigestion, costive habits and all other ailments.

GOOD COFFEE.

Everybody wants it, but very few get it, because most people do not know how to select coffee, or if it is spoiled in the roasting or making.

A Terrible Catastrophe.

A Cleveland dispatch reports that during a Knights of Pythias festival at Shanesville, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, Saturday evening the floor gave way, precipitating over two hundred to the floor below.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

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