

The Messenger.

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New Advertisements.

For Sale—Special.
Snap Beans—Special.
Attention—B. F. Hall.
Carolina Beach—J. W. Harper.
Baptist Special—D. C. Whitted.
The Atlas Hotel—T. J. Ferguson.
Hanover Land Company—Special.
Opera House—Edison's Projectoscope Sale of Land for Partition—E. A. Johnson.

Weather Forecasts.

(Reported by C. M. Strong, Local Forecaster.)

U. S. Weather Bureau Office,
May 5.

The barometer continues low off the middle Atlantic coast, with partly cloudy weather and local showers reported north of the Carolinas to New York during the past 12 hours. The barometer has continued above the normal over the interior, with highest over the Ohio valley and the lakes, with fair warmer weather reported under it. Another storm area is developing from the northwest, while a high area overlies the central Rocky mountain slope. It is cooler over the country south of Kansas with showers occurring during the day. The warm wave covers the country from the Tennessee valley northwest to over Minnesota with maximum temperatures above 80 degrees noted at all reporting stations. The weather continues cool along the east coast owing to the stationary condition of the low area. It promises to be much warmer Thursday and Friday with fair weather prevailing over this locality.

LOCAL FORECASTS.

To 12 o'clock (mdt) Thursday—Showers in the early morning; warmer; northerly winds, becoming variable.

FOR THE STATE.

Washington forecasts to 12 o'clock (mdt) Thursday—Fair except showers near the coast in the early morning; warmer; northerly winds becoming variable.

TEMPERATURE.

1896—3 a. m., 69 degrees; 8 p. m., 70 degrees; highest, 78 degrees; lowest, 62 degrees.

1897—3 a. m., 56 degrees; 8 p. m., 60 degrees; highest, 68 degrees; lowest, 51 degrees.

Miniature Almanac—Sun rises 5:03 a. m.; sun sets, 6:51 p. m.; high water at Southport, 11:10 p. m.; high water at Wilmington, 12:57 a. m.
Moon's Phases—New moon, 1st, 3:38 p. m.; first quarter, 9th, 4:28 p. m.; full moon, 16th, 5:46 a. m.; last quarter, 23rd, 4:16 a. m.; new moon, 31st, 7:17 a. m.; apogee, 2nd, 2:02, and 29th, 5:07; perigee, 30th, 2:01.

PITTY LOCALS.

The Hanover Land and Improvement Company is called to meet today at 10 a. m.

The steamer Wilmington will make two trips to Carolina Beach today. See advertisement.

The ladies who have agreed to take part in the reception at the Y. M. C. A. are requested to be promptly on hand at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The shipment of strawberries over the Wilmington and Weldon railroad yesterday to northern markets were about 11,000 crates. The prospect's good for today's shipment.

There will be a special rehearsal of the Second Regiment band tonight at 8 o'clock. The band has been notified that its new uniforms, twenty-two in number, will be here in time for the 10th of May.

The Southern Baptist convention's missionary boards, foreign and home, will report \$12,000 debt this year instead of \$31,000 last year. This shows excellent business management. They have paid all expenses and \$18,000 of the old debt.

Mr. T. J. Ferguson, proprietor of the Ocean View hotel, on Wrightsville Beach, opens his hotel to guests and can accommodate a large number of ladies and gentlemen during the sitting of the Southern Baptist convention. See advertisement.

Jack Simmons, colored, was given a hearing before Justice R. H. Bunting yesterday, charged with stealing three pistols, one pen knife and a watch from Peter Evans, colored. After hearing the testimony Squire Bunting bound him over to court in default of \$100 bonds.

There was a game of ball yesterday between the first and the second teams of the Young Crusaders. The score resulted in favor of the second team, being 10 to 1. Battery For first team, Joe Smith pitch and Willie Smith catch; battery for second team, Davis pitch and Myers, catch.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Mary Allen, of Philadelphia, Pa., is visiting her son, Mr. C. B. Allen on Sixth street.

Mr. Arthur Kafer, of New Bern, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Florence, S. C., where he will open a lunch cafe.

Mr. John T. Cullen, of Raleigh, one of the most active christian workers in the country, is here to attend the convention.

The Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., and bride, have arrived in the city, and are domiciled at the residence of Dr. Bernheim's son-in-law, Mr. H. D. Bernheim, on Princess street, between Seventh and Seventh streets.

CHARMING ENTERTAINMENT

Mrs. Cotton Reads Her Original Poem on the Roanoke Settlement and the Legend of Virginia Dare to a Delightful Audience—Other Splendid Features.

One of the most delightful and interesting entertainments ever given in Wilmington was that at Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall last evening. One of our city's most cultivated and refined audiences was there to enjoy it. It was also a large audience and all exceedingly appreciated the programme.

The Hon. A. M. Waddell acted as director of the programme and it opened with two vocal selections by Miss Radcliffe, of New Bern, who sang a song, "Sans Toi," from the opera Carmen. As an encore she sang "Good Bye Sweet Day." Miss Radcliffe is a soprano of rare accomplishments, and possesses a voice of splendid timbre and wonderful compass. Her singing was greatly enjoyed, and the applause she received was very hearty. Mrs. A. M. Waddell accompanied her on the piano. Colonel Waddell next introduced Mrs. R. R. Cotton, of Falkland, N. C., who had been invited to read a poem of which she is the author. In his introductory remarks he spoke of the neglect of properly perpetuating historical occurrences in North Carolina, and commended the spirit of Mrs. Cotton in her effort to perpetuate in verse the history and traditions of the first English colony in America, that established on Roanoke Island, N. C., by Sir Walter Raleigh. He outlined the subject as treated in Mrs. Cotton's poem and introduced that cultured North Carolina lady to the audience.

Mrs. Cotton was received with a flattering demonstration of applause, and occupied an hour in reading her poem. When she concluded there was a hearty burst of applause, and the gifted lady was congratulated upon all sides. She has a clear and excellent voice and the elocutionary effect with which she repeated the verse from memory was very charming. She wrote the poem about two years ago and this was the first time it had ever been read in public. The first part of the poem is an interesting and felicitous resume of the history of the first English settlement on Roanoke Island and of the birth, disappearance and death of Virginia Dare, the first white child born in America. A great part of the poem is an exquisite and fanciful versification of the Indian legend about the transforming of Virginia Dare into a white dove, the romance of her two Indian lovers, which resulted in the magic transformation, and her ultimate death at the hands of one of her lovers who slew the white dove with a silver arrow, to prevent the other and more favored lover from shooting her and bringing her to life again by means of an enchanted bow and arrow. Many passages of the poem are particularly beautiful, and the audience very highly appreciated the production.

After Mrs. Cotton had concluded, Miss Osborne, of New Haven, entertained the audience with her marvelous whistling gifts. She received appreciative applause and was encored time and again. There was also some enjoyable music by a quartette composed of Mr. E. H. Munson, piano, Mr. James E. Willson, cornet, Mr. W. A. Martin, flute, and Mr. Frank St. John, violin. The ladies served delicious strawberry cream and cake, after which the enjoyable occasion came to a close.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.

Willie White, colored, alias Gillian Heart, arrested for the robbery of Postoffice, Express Office and Railroad Warehouse at Brinkley Station, Columbus County.

Yesterday about 11:15 o'clock on Water street, between Mulberry and Chestnut, Deputy Sheriff J. P. Flynn and Policeman Jim Murry arrested Willie White, colored, alias Gillian Heart, charged with the robbery of the postoffice, Southern Express Company's office and the railroad warehouse at Brinkley station, Columbus county, April 28th last. The property stolen from the postoffice, so far as ascertained, consisted of a lot of letter heads and religious tracts. Finding that he had no use for the latter, he strewed them around outside the office.

After Heart had been arrested and placed in jail, he was identified by Deputy United States Marshal Parish, who was at the jail on other business, as one of the parties who robbed the postoffice at Maxton, a short while ago. He was committed to jail by United States Commissioner R. H. Bunting in default of \$500 bond, for his appearance before him for examination, May 11th, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the charge of robbing the postoffice at Maxton.

There are also several other charges against the prisoner, one being the stealing of a cow, in Brunswick county.

For robbing the express office and railroad warehouse at Brinkley, Heart will have to be carried to Brunswick county for examination.

Gone to California.

Captain J. M. Walker, one of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley's most clever and popular conductors, has been elected a delegate to the twenty-sixth session of the Grand Division of Railway Conductors which meets in Los Angeles, Cal., May 11th. General Manager J. W. Fry, of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad has shown his high appreciation of Captain Walker's services by granting him a month's leave of absence. He left yesterday for Los Angeles.

The Messenger's kind wishes go with Captain Walker and hopes him a safe and pleasant trip to the far west. It shows Captain Walker's high standing among the railroad conductor class.

CITY POLITICS.

The Old Board of Aldermen Held a Meeting Yesterday and Elected Ex-Mayor Fishblate as Alderman Maude's Successor—Contracts Made by the Dr. Wrights Board Invalid.

A meeting of the old board of aldermen, which was recently declared by Judge McIver's decision to be the lawful board of aldermen of this city, held a meeting yesterday afternoon, Mayor W. N. Harriss presiding.

Among other business transacted, the board unanimously elected ex-Mayor S. H. Fishblate as alderman from the Third ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman John Maude.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: "Whereas, The superior court of New Hanover county has declared the law under which Dr. S. P. Wright and his board of aldermen hold the city offices, unconstitutional and void, and that this board are of right, entitled to said offices, and, whereas, by a recent statute an appeal to the supreme court does not vacate the judgment of a lower court, but such judgment stands until reversed, and

Whereas, This board has been advised by counsel that there is very grave doubt whether Dr. S. P. Wright and his board of aldermen are even de facto officers and entitled to administer the affairs of the city government, therefore, be it

Resolved, That all persons are hereby notified that contracts made with or payments made to Dr. S. P. Wright and the officers elected by his board of aldermen are invalid and made at the risk of the persons so contracting or paying.

In conversation with members of the board last evening we were advised that they could not, in justice to all concerned, elect the candidate of the party who now is a party to a suit against the board, and that as Mr. Fishblate was the candidate who received the next highest vote at the democratic primary in the Third ward, the board thought that he was justly entitled to the office.

The Opera House Last Night.

The famous Edison Projectoscope Company began their second engagement in our city at the opera house last night, before an appreciative and enthusiastic audience. The pictures shown by this company were especially clear and very entertaining. Among them were shown the Chicago and Buffalo express, a train composed of five Wagner vestibuled coaches and baggage cars. The train can be seen in the distance approaching the station, and when it runs into the station the passengers are seen alighting.

Another excellent subject was the butterfly dance by Anabelle, the celebrated dancer. "The Sound Money Parade" in New York city last October is truthfully reproduced. "The Swimming School," with boys in bathing and the celebrated "Battery A, Light Artillery, U. S. A.," as they were seen on Pennsylvania avenue and also in Washington during the inauguration of

The Graphophone, another of Edison's inventions, produces selections from the celebrated bands and orchestras of the country. The performance as a whole is both interesting and instructive. One picture is really worth the price of admission. Two performances will be given daily at the opera house during the sitting of the Southern Baptist convention. Ladies and children's matinees at 3 p. m., and a night performance at 8:15 p. m. Prices 10 and 20 cents.

To prevent the hardening of the subcutaneous tissues of the scalp and the obliteration of the hair follicles, which cause baldness, use Hall's Hair Renewer.

Progressive Builders and Contractors.

We had the pleasure yesterday to meet Mr. D. Getaz, senior member of the firm of Messrs D. Getaz & Co., architects and builders. Mr. Getaz is well known among some of our people, having these last few years, together with Mr. D. Hanna, a resident of our city, built many handsome residences and blocks, among others the handsome residences of Messrs. C. W. Worth, Robert R. Bellamy, the extension to the Wilmington cotton mills etc. His firm furnished the plans for and is building the new summer hotel on Wrightsville Beach. They have just secured from the United States architect at Washington, the contract for the new marine hospital in this city, and also the reconstruction of the business house of Mr. S. Behrends recently destroyed by fire. Mr. D. Getaz is stopping for the present at The Orton hotel. Mr. D. Hanna, superintendent and representative of the firm, is residing on Church street. Both these gentlemen are progressive and understand fully the business, being easy to approach and agreeable to deal with.

The Religious Press Here.

The Messenger had a very pleasant call last evening from Mr. J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, at Raleigh. Mr. Bailey is one of the smartest editors in the state, and well might his denomination be proud of him.

Rev. A. J. S. Thomas, of the Baptist Courier, arrived last evening, and the Messenger was pleased to greet him. Dr. A. E. Dickinson and Rev. R. H. Pitt, of the Religious Herald, Richmond, are in the city.

The Messenger extends cordial greetings to its friends of the press and tenders to them any courtesy in its power. Make The Messenger office your headquarters, gentlemen.

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ARRIVALS.

Miss Marie L. Holtzman, a charming lady of Washington, D. C., is in the city.
Mrs. W. Judson Brown, of Baltimore, came last evening.
Miss Fannie E. Heck, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.
Ex-Governor W. J. Northern, of Georgia.
Hon. G. W. Shell, of Laurens, S. C.
Mr. J. H. Carter, of Jackson, Ga.
Rev. W. P. Spillman, of Raleigh.
Rev. J. E. White, secretary of the Baptist state convention, has arrived.
Rev. A. C. Wilkins, of Baltimore.
Mr. M. D. Broughton, of Raleigh.
Dr. W. F. Whittsett, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and who is recognized as the best authority in church history of this country and Europe, is a guest at The Orton.

Rev. E. S. Alderman, of Russellville, Ky., is visiting his brother, Mr. W. H. Alderman. Mr. Alderman is a native of Wilmington.
Dr. J. S. Felix, of Asheville.
Miss Annie W. Armstrong, of Baltimore, secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, is at The Orton.
Rev. W. E. Robinson, of Baltimore.
Professor Forbes, Stetson University, Florida.
Rev. Dr. T. H. Jones, of Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Dobbs, of Indiana.
Rev. C. B. Hatcher, of Norfolk, Va.
Rev. E. E. Dudley, of Norfolk, Va.
Dr. O. F. Gregory, of Baltimore.
Rev. W. J. E. Cox, of Baltimore.
Rev. George F. Williams, of Richmond.

Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, editor of the Baptist Courier, South Carolina.
Rev. M. S. Wood, of Staunton, Va.
Rev. H. W. Tribble, of Charlottesville, Va.
Dr. Charles H. Ryland, of Richmond.
Dr. R. H. Pitt, of Richmond.
Dr. George Cooper, of Richmond.
Dr. Charles E. Taylor, president of Wake Forest college.
Dr. C. S. Blackwell, of Raleigh.
Rev. M. B. Adams, of Norfolk, Va.
Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Richmond, Va.
Dr. C. H. Jones, of Louisville, Ky.
Rev. Howard Jones, of Louisville, Ky.
Dr. O. F. Filippo, of Philadelphia, Pa.
Dr. C. C. Meadows, of Washington, D. C.
Dr. T. T. Eaton, of Louisville, Ky., who is pastor of the largest Baptist church in the south, is at The Orton.
Dr. W. B. Crumpton, of Georgetown, who is president of the Georgetown college, arrived last evening.

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FOR RENT—Dwellings, Stores, Offices and Halls. For Sale—Dwellings, Stores, Vacant Lots; Cash or time payments. Cash advanced on improved city property. Apply to D. O'CONNOR, Real Estate Agent, Wilmington N. C. my 20 it

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