

The Messenger.

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New Advertisements.

Wanted—Special. Hamme The Hatter. Situation Wanted—Special. New Schedule—Clyde Line. Oceanic Hotel—R. A. Jenkins. Footwear—Peterson & Rulfs. Within Reach—C. H. Abbott. Fifty Dollars Reward—Special. Dress Goods—Johnson & Fore. Important Notice—H. L. Fennell. Fresh Suggestions—D. C. Whitted. A Day in Rome—Professor Harrington.

Weather Forecasts.

(Reported by C. M. Strong, Local Forecaster.) U. S. Weather Bureau Office, May 6.

The barometer continues low off the Middle Atlantic coast, and is also low over the Dakotas. A ridge of high pressure covers the country from Florida, northwest to over the Upper Lakes with highest over Florida, Kentucky and upper Michigan. Light showers fell during the day over eastern North Carolina, along the lakes, and over the southwest; fair weather prevailed over all other states. The warm wave extends from Florida northwest to the Dakotas, with maximum temperatures reaching 80 degrees or above under it during the day. It is colder over the Upper Lakes and New England, and cooler over the southwest under the rain area. Fair, warmer weather is indicated for Friday, followed by increasing cloudiness Saturday over this locality.

LOCAL FORECASTS.

To 12 o'clock (mdt) Friday—Warmer; northerly winds, becoming variable. FOR THE STATE. Washington forecasts to 12 o'clock (mdt) Friday—Warmer; northerly winds, becoming variable.

TEMPERATURE.

1896—8 a. m., 68 degrees; 8 p. m., 68 degrees; highest, 82 degrees; lowest, 62 degrees.

1897—8 a. m., 58 degrees; 8 p. m., 74 degrees; highest, 79 degrees; lowest, 49 degrees.

Miniature Almanac—Sun rises 5:02 a. m.; sun sets, 6:51 p. m.; high water at Southport, 12 m.; high water at Wilmington, 1:47 a. m. Moon's Phases—New moon, 1st, 3:23 p. m.; first quarter, 9th, 4:28 p. m.; full moon, 16th, 8:46 a. m.; last quarter, 23rd, 4:26 a. m.; new moon, 31st, 7:17 a. m.; apogee, 2nd, 2:03, and 29th, 5:07; perigee, 16th, 2:01.

PITHY LOCALS.

The shipment of strawberries over the Wilmington and Weldon railroad yesterday to northern market amounted to about 7,000 crates.

The Messenger returns thanks for an invitation to the first annual banquet of Granite City Lodge, K. of P., at Golston Inn, Elberton, Ga., next Thursday evening.

We are informed that last night a white woman brutally knocked down another at Fourth and Church streets, in the presence of a policeman who failed to arrest the assaulting party.

After considering the petition for the release of Wm. McAllister, colored, from the workhouse, Judge Sutton has decided to let him serve his sentence out. He is the man who so severely cut Ed Guion, colored.

The Young Crusaders and the Red Roses, juvenile base ball teams, crossed bats yesterday at the Crusaders' Athletic grounds. The Crusaders won by a score of 12 to 6. Battery for the winners, Gordon, Potts and Stevenson; for the Red Roses, Farriss and Bell.

At the regular meeting of Jefferson Lodge No. 61, Knights of Pythias held Wednesday evening, Colonel W. J. Woodward was elected grand representative for the term of two years. This is the third time he has been honored with this position by his lodge. The Grand Lodge meets in Charlotte next month.

Captain D. H. Russell, formerly of our city, but now the champion truck planter of Swansboro, sent to Mr. S. H. Terry yesterday a specially fine lot of vegetables. Among them was a mammoth cabbage that weighed 32 pounds, an onion that weighed 2 3/4 pounds, and a beet that weighed 2 pounds and nine ounces. Who can beat that?

The Messenger returns thanks for an invitation to the banquet which the chamber of commerce of Wilmington will give at the Nashville exposition on "Wilmington Day," which is May 20th. The affair will last from 10 a. m. till 3 p. m. The invitations are being sent out along with a short, but readable sketch of the city of Wilmington.

County Commissioner W. F. Alexander, whose place is on Middle Sound, is bringing to town some of the finest strawberries ever produced in this section. They are very large and firm, and are so choice that when ordinary strawberries were selling at 11 cents per quart in Boston a few days ago his berries fetched 18 cents. They are known as Barton's early and were propagated by Dr. O. W. Blackmail.

For the accommodation of the delegates and visitors to the Southern Baptist convention, the Seaboard Air Line will run special trains between Wilmington and Hamlet, May 10th to 14th inclusive. Special trains leave Wilmington at 5:00 a. m., arriving Hamlet at 7:55 a. m., and making through connections. Special trains leave Hamlet 7:13 p. m., arriving Wilmington at 10:05 p. m.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance Last Night—The Contracts for the City Lighting Approved.

Pursuant to adjournment at its regular meeting held May 4th, the board of audit and finance met at the call of the chairman at 8:30 o'clock last night. Those present were Chairman W. H. Chadbourne and Messrs H. A. DeCover, C. W. Yates and J. H. Webber.

The bids of the Wilmington Gas Light Company to furnish gas for street lamps at \$2 for each lamp per month, and gas for alley lamps at \$2.50 each per month, and gas for the city hall at \$1.50 per m. feet, and to furnish electric lights for the three markets at \$28.50 per month, all of which bids were previously accepted by the board of aldermen, were approved.

The following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That the bid of the Wilmington Street Railway Company for lighting the streets of the city of Wilmington at the price of seven dollars (\$7) per month for each of the seventy-three arc lights, burning on the moon-light schedule, and amounting to the sum of six thousand one hundred and thirty-two dollars (\$6,132) per annum, which said bid was accepted on the 24th day of April 1897, by the board of aldermen of the city of Wilmington as being the lowest bid for such lighting, be and the same is hereby fully approved, ratified and confirmed, the said lighting to begin on the 1st day of June, 1897, and to continue under the contract until the 31st day of May, 1898, inclusive."

The Wilmington Street Railway Company tendered its bond, for the faithful performance of the above contract, in the sum of \$5,000. The bond is signed by Mr. H. A. Whiting, president of the Street Railway Company, and Mr. Thomas A. McIntyre, of New York. The bond was approved. The board adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

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.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. W. Ross Davie, of Wadesboro, is here.

Misses Carrie and Ula Bishop, of New Bern, are visiting our city.

Mr. Geo. W. Griffin, of New Bern, came over to the city last night.

Mr. John McDowell, Jr., of Elizabethtown, spent yesterday in the city.

Mrs. D. W. Powell, of Whiteville, is the guest of Mr. John W. Monroe.

Mr. Harry P. Shaw, of Charlotte, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

Mr. Sam. C. Smith, of Raleigh, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

Mr. R. D. Caldwell, of Lumberton, called on our wholesale houses yesterday.

Mr. J. M. Anderson, of New Bern, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

Messrs. W. H. Townsend and J. T. Foy, of Scotts Hill, were on our streets yesterday.

Mrs. T. S. Franklin and Miss Liddell, of Charlotte, were guests of the Orton yesterday.

Messrs. H. C. Dockery and T. S. Wright, of Rockingham, came down to the city yesterday.

Miss Lila Ward, of Pollocksville, N. C., is visiting the Misses Shepard on South Fourth street.

Messrs. Archibald and Ivey Allen, of Thomasville, N. C., arrived at the Bonitz House last night.

Messrs. J. B. Schulken, R. L. True-love and J. E. Bright, of Whiteville, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. Albert Patterson, of New Bern, who is now traveling in the interest of Messrs. Young, Creighton & Diggs, of Baltimore, is at The Orton.

Among the visitors to our city, and among the pleasantest callers at The Messenger office, is Mr. F. J. Paxton, correspondent of Atlanta's famous evening daily, The Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Prevatt, of Lumberton, N. C. are visiting the city and guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Collins.

Mrs. J. M. Forshee, with her charming little daughter Pattie, left Wednesday to visit relatives in Philadelphia and her daughter, Mrs. Henry J. Clark, of Oswego, N. Y.

Rev. Dr. J. C. Hiden, of Richmond, Va., former pastor of the First Baptist church, arrived last evening and is the guest of Capt. Jno. F. Divine, The First Baptist church was built under his administration.

Mr. R. A. Meares, of Winsboro, S. C., formerly of Wilmington, is here with his little daughters, Misses Kate, Harriett and Gertrude. They are stopping with Mr. Meares' grandfather, Dr. A. J. DeRosset. Mr. Meares is one of the representatives of Fairfield county in the South Carolina house of representatives.

No Uprising on the Isle of Pines. Havana, May 6.—Colonel Berriz, military commander on the Isle of Pines, a penal settlement south of Cuba, denies that an uprising has taken place there and that twenty-five Cuban prisoners escaped.

Nor is there any truth, according to the Spanish authorities, in the story that an engagement took place last Saturday at las Cruces, Santa Clara, between a Spanish force of 1,000 and a large body of insurgents under General Gomez.

The celebrated "Battery A. Light Artillery, U. S. A.," will be shown at the opera house.

Origin of a Hymn.

A pathetic and yet charming story is told of the origin of the well known hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." It was written by Rev. John Fawcett, an English Baptist, who died in 1817, having spent nearly sixty years in the ministry. In 1772, after a few years spent in pastoral work, he was called to London to succeed the Rev. Dr. Gill. His farewell sermon had been preached near Mothgate, in Yorkshire, six or seven wagons stood loaded with his furniture and books, and all was ready for departure. But his loving people were heart broken; men, women and children gathered and clung about him and his family with sad and tearful faces. Finally, overwhelmed with the sorrow of those they were leaving, Dr. Fawcett and his wife sat down on one of the packing cases and gave way to grief.

"Oh, John, I cannot bear this; I know not how to go." "Nor I, either," returned her husband, "and we will not go. The wagons shall be unloaded and everything put in its old place." His people were filled with intense joy and gratitude at this determination. Dr. Fawcett at once sent a letter to London explaining the case and then resolutely returned to his work on a salary less than \$200 a year. This hymn was written to commemorate the event.

When Mr. Coffing, a missionary at Aintab, in Armenia, set out in 1860 to explore the Taurus mountains he was to penetrate an entirely new and dangerous field. This fact was fully realized by the inhabitants of Aintab, and they gathered to the number of 1,500 at the roadside and bade farewell to the missionary and his family in the Armenian words of the hymn, written nearly a century before by the devoted Yorkshire preacher.

Warren's Prices on Candies. Huyler's mixed, 60c per pound; Lowney's mixed chocolate, 35c per pound; Vanilla Cream Chocolates, extra nice, 14c per pound. We are sole agents for above goods. Guaranteed fresh.

A Receiver Asked For. Chicago, May 6.—A bill has been filed in the superior court for a receiver for the Globe Safety Deposit Company which was a part of the defunct Globe Savings bank. The complainants are New Hampshire banks. The officers of the Globe Deposit Company are identical with those of the Globe Savings bank. The company, when it was organized, issued \$30,000 worth of bonds secured by a trust deed on its property. The vaults have been closed.

"Fifth Avenue, New York." will be shown to all who go to the opera house today and tonight. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents. New pictures each performance.

The Brooklyn Accepted. Washington, May 6.—The secretary of the navy has finally accepted the cruiser Brooklyn upon the favorable report of the board which conducted her recent sea trial.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

\$50 REWARD WILL BE PAID FOR EVIDENCE that will locate the man who turned loose our logs on night of May 4th, 1897, and who stole 80 feet of 1 1/2 inch rope from us. CAPE FEAR LUMBER CO. my 7 3c

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO TAKE ORDERS for fast selling articles. Apply at No. 408 Chestnut street, between 12 and 2 o'clock, with references. Good salary to right man. my 7 1c

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