

NEW BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

The Co-operative Building and Loan Association Organized Yesterday—Board of Directors Elected

A large and enthusiastic meeting of subscribers of stock to the Co-operative Building and Loan Association was held on yesterday evening at the real estate office of J. G. Wright & Son, on Princess street, and an organization of the association was perfected.

Major William A. Johnson, on motion, was called to the chair and Mr. T. H. Wright was requested to act as secretary.

George L. Peschau, Esq., stated that the object of the organization was to perfect some kind of an organization and suggested that a board of directors be elected with power to draft a constitution and by-laws and report to a subsequent meeting.

On motion of Colonel Walker Taylor, the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee with power to select eleven directors and report them to the meeting for approval.

The directors then met and elected the following officers: President—Colonel Walker Taylor. Vice President—Major W. A. Johnson. Attorney—George L. Peschau.

Secretary and Treasurer—T. H. Wright. The association will begin business the first Saturday in April.

Subscription to stock can be obtained at the office of the secretary or by applying to any one of the directors.

When a man is suffering with an aching head, a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach distending food, he will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late.

The Forestry Experts We noted in The Messenger yesterday the arrival here from New Bern of Professor J. A. Holmes, state geologist.

Yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, Mr. James H. Chadburn, Jr., president of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.

After the visitors had gone through the Champion Compress and witnessed the operations, Captain E. D. Williams took them on his steamer, the Marion, and gave them an enjoyable trip down and up the river.

They expressed themselves as much interested and impressed with what they saw.

Hart's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Croscote and the Hypophosphites, if faithfully used, is a specific in the treatment of weak lungs, Consumption, Bronchitis, etc.

Contents of Third Page Raleigh letter.—Proceedings in Congress.—Future of the south.—Relief for the murdered postmaster's family.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

Judge J. N. Henderson III. Fitch, on Va., March 3.—Judge John Newton Henderson, the last treasurer of the Southern Confederacy, is critically ill at his residence near Staunton, Augusta county.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious. ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

A SCHOONER WRECKED.

NINE OF THE THIRTEEN PERSONS ON BOARD DROWNED.

Including Two Women and Five Children, the Disaster of the Schooner 'Speedwell' is Described.

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The Nichols family is said to have been well-to-do. All had been staying for a month or two at a small hotel kept by Captain Collier at Marco, and they were on their way home.

Soon after being brought into port Captain Collier and his wife, accompanied by the yacht Bucar, accompanied by a diver, to try to recover the bodies.

AN OLD WAR RELIC. A Loaded Shell Dug Up in Raleigh—More Money From the Peabody Fund for Our School.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., March 3.—The southern convention of the Christian church is called to meet in Raleigh April 26th. It is biennial.

The superintendent of public instruction has received another check for \$850 of the Peabody school money. Of this \$850 goes to the Greensboro school, \$100 to the Normal at Winston and \$100 to High Point.

South Carolina is not included among the eight states which are ordered to send federal prisoners to the Raleigh penitentiary.

While a laborer was digging near the eastern entrance to the capitol square this afternoon he dug up a 6-pound shell, loaded.

You need Cod Liver Oil, you say but think you can't take it? Try 'Mercuri'—a perfected 'Wine of Cod Liver Oil.' You can get all the virtues of the oil without the disagreeable effects of the fish.

Chances of Losing the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway. (Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., March 3.—The statement can now be made that if at its next meeting the railway commission decides to revoke its order reducing railway fares, Governor Russell can make the loss of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway to the South.

Evidence for the Defense Closed. Willkesbarre, Pa., March 3.—The defense in the Martin trial put its last witness on the stand today. Tomorrow District Attorney Martin will introduce six or eight witnesses in rebuttal.

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Storm Warning Message. The following message was received at this office for the information of the public: Washington, D. C., March 3. Observer, Wilmington, N. C.: Change to northeast storm signal 1:30 p. m. Conditions are more threatening on the North Atlantic coast. Northeast gales will occur off the coast from Hatteras southward tonight. Storm center remains near Tampa, Fla.

Observer, Wilmington, N. C.: Northeast storm signals ordered at 10:45 p. m. at Norfolk. There is a storm of considerable energy near Jacksonville, probably moving northeast and likely to cause dangerous gales on the middle Atlantic coast on Friday and high winds on the northeast New England coast Friday night. Northeast gales now prevail on the north Atlantic coast. Distribute information tonight.

Why allow yourself to be slowly tortured at the signs of disease? Chills and Fever will undermine, and eventually break down the strongest constitution. 'Fever-Cure' (Sweet Chilli Tonic with Iron) is more effective than Quinine, and being combined with Iron is an excellent tonic and nerve stimulant. It is pleasant to take, and is sold under positive guarantee to cure every case of fever. Accept no substitute. The 'Just as Good' kind of 'Fever-Cure' is sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin, and H. L. Pentreath.

CLAIM SETTLED.

The City Pays a Forfeit of \$100 to Messrs. Thompson and Storey, Artesian Well Contractors—Departed Yesterday.

The city has paid Messrs. Ricard & Bryan, attorneys for Messrs. Thompson and Storey, Artesian Well Contractors—Departed Yesterday.

Messrs. Thompson and Storey was the firm which the Clarendon Waterworks Company contracted for the drilling of an artesian well at their station at Hilton, and the drilling of which well was abandoned about two weeks ago.

It will be remembered that about the same time the Clarendon Waterworks Company bargained for the drilling of the artesian well, Mayor Wright and Aldermen Keith and Twining, a special committee from the board of aldermen, Messrs. Ricard & Bryan, a special committee from the board of aldermen, Messrs. Ricard & Bryan, a special committee from the board of aldermen, Messrs. Ricard & Bryan.

Messrs. Thompson and Storey shipped the machinery to this city and placed it at the locality designated for the drilling of the well, and afterwards it was decided by the city not to have a well drilled.

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A Novel and Enjoyable Occasion. Last night was a decidedly disagreeable night (as every body in Wilmington are aware of) and, of course, people much preferred to, and a large majority did, 'hug' the fire. However, those who 'braved the very inclement weather in order to be present at the entertainment given by the Oxford League of Fifth Street M. E. church at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Booker, on Second street, between Nun and Church streets, were fully repaid for the venture, and spent a most enjoyable evening.

The parlors of the residence were very prettily decorated, and it was in them that the guests assembled. During the early part of the evening a programme of music and recitations was rendered, and closed with Lilliputian exhibit, Master Geo. Brown and little Miss Sadie Booker taking part and highly amused the audience by singing comic songs and reciting humorous pieces. The programme embraced several enjoyable instrumental and vocal selections by Miss Olie Penny, a delightful vocal duet by Mrs. Beulah Penny and Miss Olie Penny, and a piano solo and a witty recitation by Miss Mildred Hunt.

The latter part of the evening was spent in partaking of refreshments, delectably served.

In charge of the ice cream department were Mrs. J. J. LeGwin, Mrs. F. R. Riley and Miss Sue Daniels, while Mrs. Charles Davis and Mrs. Carrie Gardner presided over the salad department.

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STILL WAITING FOR NEWS.

NOTHING DEFINITE AS TO THE WRECK OF THE MAINE.

The Government Making War Preparations While the Court isAwaiting Orders From Washington—The Old Monitors to Be Tested—Little Work Done on the Wreck—Vital Denunciation of Our Policy.

Washington, March 3.—Secretary Long said today at the close of his day at the navy department that no word had been received from the court of inquiry and that no orders had been given as to the movements of the court.

The court fully authorized to shape its own movements. The original orders to the court were issued by Admiral Sigsbee as commander of the fleet to which the Maine belonged and it has the technical status of an admiral's court, reporting directly to him, both as to its movements and as to its final report on the cause of the disaster.

The understanding here is that the court has not concluded its work, but will return to Havana to take testimony which has been delayed by the difficulties in the way of the divers. The Admiral Sigsbee expected, this move back to Havana was shown by a dispatch from him a few days ago, suggesting that arrangements be made for the vessel by the navy department.

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