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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Damage to Tobacco From the Frost.

RICHMOND, VA., October 7.—Special telegrams to the Dispatch report that the sudden and severe frost of Wednesday night was very general throughout the State, and did incalculable damage, particularly to the tobacco crop. The reports, which cover almost the entire tobacco section of the State, are very distressing, and show that at least one-half of the standing crop has been destroyed, and in some counties it is even worse. But little of the crop has been cut and housed. One farmer is reported as having lost 80,000 plants, while the joint loss of two others is estimated at what would fill sixty barns. The frost extended into North Carolina, the reports from which State also show damage to the crops.

Loss of Life on the Coast of North Carolina.

WASHINGTON, October 7.—The signal corps station at Hatteras, N. C., reports to the chief signal officer as follows: The three-masted schooner before reported ashore, Thomas J. Lancaster, Captain Hunter, of Philadelphia, bound to Savannah, Georgia, laden with ice, went ashore at 3 a. m. yesterday, four miles south of New Inlet. Thirteen persons were on board. Seven were lost. The captain and his three children were drowned, but his wife was saved. The second mate was saved, but had his thigh broken. The vessel will be a total loss.

Capt. Howgate's Case.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—In obedience to a writ of *habeas corpus*, issued on Wednesday last, Capt. H. W. Howgate was brought this morning before the Criminal Court, and on representations of counsel for accused, Judge Cox reduced the bail from \$40,000, which had been fixed by Commissioner Bundy, to \$10,000, the defendant's counsel, however, stating that it would be impossible for their client to secure that amount of bail. Judge Cox stated that he would take the matter under advisement, and determine the amount definitely this afternoon or to-morrow.

City of Merida Safe.

NEW ORLEANS, October 7.—The steamer City of Merida, Capt. McIntosh, from New York Sept. 24, for Havana and Vera Cruz, arrived at the latter port to-day.

Nomination.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., October 7.—The Democratic Convention of the Thirteenth District, composed of Orange and Sullivan counties, yesterday nominated for State Senator ex-State Treasurer, James MacKin.

General News.

President Arthur will be at Yorktown. Elizabeth City and Edenton Railroad will be completed by November 1st.

There is general complaint of scarcity of labor throughout Eastern Carolina.

Fletcher U. Harper, one of the Harper Brothers publishing house, is dead.

The Macon County Reporter notes the arrival of some Northern winter visitors.

October 27th will be Governor's day at Atlanta, and all State Executives are expected.

Frost in upper South Carolina Tuesday night; the late growth of cotton is killed.

Judge Moore, of Edenton, is of the North purchasing machinery for a mill to be erected at that place.

Reports from Southwest Carolina say that bacon, lard and other things were never so scarce as at present.

President Arthur will reside at the Soldier's Home in Washington until repairs at the White House are completed.

Macon County Reporter says: Rev. Dr. William H. Weaver, of the North Georgia Conference of M. E. Church South, after preaching at eleven o'clock, at Hiawasse Camp Ground, died in his

buggy while on his way home, about three o'clock, of heart disease.

Rev. J. H. Foy, formerly of this State, now of St. Louis, is said to have delivered the most brilliant eulogy on President Garfield listened to anywhere in the United States.

The President positively declines to hear any applicants for public office, and thinks that minor offices now vacant should be filled by the heads of the various departments.

The first Cabinet meeting of the new administration will be held next Tuesday, by which time it is expected all the members of the Cabinet will have returned to Washington.

Gatesville correspondent of Elizabeth City Economist writes:—The railroad work is progressing bravely. Soon we will hear the whistle of the iron horse as he approaches our little town. Cotton is coming in slowly. The crop is tolerably good throughout the county. Cotton pickers are scarce.

A Hyde correspondent says:—The rice crop, notwithstanding its injury by the drought, will be a paying crop. The rice birds a short time since made their appearance in great numbers in the rice fields, and at one time threatened to do more damage than the drought, but the farmers made war upon and dispersed them.

Edward L. Mann, of Middleton, Hyde county, informs the Economist that the corn crop of Hyde is fair, up to an average; the pea crop good, the cotton crop somewhat short; the rice crop short one-half; the oyster crop good; and that a "Fat Creek" oyster asks no odds of a "Lynn Haven" oyster neither as to size or flavor, nor delicacy, nor deliciousness.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—Attention is called to the following advertisements new in this issue:

J. B. Yates—Rates to Baltimore Oriole. Marshall Parks—Stockholders Meeting.

F. B. Lane—Restaurant and Oyster Saloon.

Personal.

Gen. Ransom returned to the city last night.

Wm. B. Duncan, Esq., of Beaufort, was at the Gaston House yesterday.

Rev. Fred. W. Eason returned last night from the Eastern Baptist Association at Magnolia.

Hon. J. W. Shackelford, member of Congress from the third district, is registered at the Gaston House.

Prof. C. D. Smith, of Macon county, at one time Assistant Geologist of North Carolina, is in attendance on the Atlanta Exposition.

A. M. Farnell and M. Farnell, of Onslow, were in the city yesterday. They are anxious for our Jones and Onslow Railroad.

Mr. W. F. Rountree is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Rountree, who is in New York with Mrs. Elijah Ellis, Mrs. Chas. Slover and Miss Emma Katie Jones, which states that they had a rough time on the Bay steamer Tuesday night, that the wind blew a gale, and passengers aboard were all badly frightened and generally sea sick. The party arrived in New York and all are well.

ENCOURAGING THE MIDLAND.—Onslow greets Mr. Best through the Kinston Journal with some encouraging words.

BEAUFORT VESSEL ASHORE.—The schooner Charles, of Beaufort, Captain J. E. Ireland, went ashore at Hatteras. Crew rescued by life saving station.

VANCE'S LETTER TO THE PEOPLE.—We have left over a few supplements containing Gov. Vance's letter to the people of North Carolina, which we will give to any of our patrons on application.

Dress Goods Lower.—Dress Goods are lower this season than for many years. Black Cashmere, all wool, from 40c to \$1.00. A beautiful line of Versales cloth for mourning, at A. M. Baker's.

POSTAL CHANGE.—The post office named Jericho, Lenoir county, has been changed to "Seven Springs," V. N. Sewel, postmaster.

AN OUTRAGED PEOPLE.—The people of Jones and Onslow are deeply and justly outraged at the conduct of the State and Penitentiary officials in refusing to the Quaker Bridge Road the convicts allotted to that work by two previous Legislatures.

LIEUT. ROATH IN COMMAND.—In the absence of Captain Simmons, First Lieutenant Roath is in command of the Revenue Steamer Stevens, and has rendered the New Berne valuable and cheerful assistance.

FISH.—The fresh fish shipping season is now fairly open, and the prospects are that New Berne will this winter do the largest fish business within her history.

STEAMER TO ONSLOW.—During his present trip to the Northern and Eastern cities, President Best will purchase and order down the Midland steamer that is to ply between Morehead City and Swansboro.

NEW BOILER.—Mr. Bair has ordered another boiler for the canning establishment. The one in use last season was a new and large one, but was not capable of doing the work. The new boiler will arrive next week.

ANOTHER STEAMER.—We learn that Capt. Roberts, agent of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, has asked for another steamer. Neither of the steam lines are equal to the demands upon them from this port.

OYSTERS.—Oysters are coming in fine this season, and already large shipments are being made to the interior towns of North and South Carolina and Georgia. The New Berne oyster has greatly improved of late years, and is beginning to acquire a reputation not second to the famed Norfolk oyster.

THE NEW BERNEAN.—We are requested to state that the New Bernean will greet its patrons on Saturday, the 15th, and be published continuously thereafter. In consequence of the death of the senior editor and proprietor, Mr. Carpenter, there was no issue of the paper this week.

TO THE RELIEF OF THE NEW BERNE.—The Revenue Cutter Stevens, accompanied by the schooners Lucretia, Theresa and May S., went down to the relief of the steamer New Berne, aground on Walker's Shoal at the mouth of Broad Creek, and will lighten and pull her off.

BUSINESS UP THE TRENT.—A Pollockville correspondent writes:—"Cotton is coming in now and we all have something to do. The steamer Contentnea takes a cargo of it to New Berne twice a week and in return brings a load of dry goods, groceries, &c., for our merchants. Business is getting better and most every one wears a smile in place of a frown."

LANE'S RESTAURANT AND OYSTER SALOON.—We invite attention to the advertisement of Mr. F. B. Lane announcing his Restaurant and Oyster Saloon. He is in constant receipt of the finest oysters to be had anywhere, and offers to his patrons the best fare and attention. He had in stock a large quantity of the famed Fat Creek oysters last night.

COLORING BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—The Colored Baptist Association, now in session at James City, convened on Wednesday with eighty ministers present, two hundred and fifty lay delegates, and from three to four hundred auditors and visitors from the vicinity and abroad. The association holds until Sunday afternoon, and on that day there will be excursion trains from Goldsboro and Morehead City, and a large crowd is expected.

Round trip fare from Goldsboro \$1, from Morehead 75 cents; La Grange 75 cents; Falling Creek 60 cents; Kinston, Dover and Core Creek, 50 c. nts.

DIRECT TRADE.—Wilmington loaded her first steamer for Europe since the war, on Thursday, the Barnesmore, with a cargo consisting of 3,458 bales of cotton, valued at \$178,775; 673 casks of spirits turpentine, valued at \$16,550, and 550 barrels of rosin, valued at \$1,250. Total valuation of cargo, \$196,575.

THE MIDLAND EXTENSION.—The work from Goldsboro is progressing finely, the only drawback being the want of laborers. A thousand are advertised for, and good wages offered, but the requirements of the cotton picking are so pressing that the labor is not to be had. In another month the Midland people can have two thousand if they want them, and doubtless they will.

BUSINESS OVER THE MIDLAND.—The East bound freight train over the Midland Road came in yesterday with twenty-one car loads of cotton.

About a thousand bales of cotton are now awaiting shipment at the warehouse and the warehouse is crowded with cotton and other products. Some two thousand bushels of corn is on the pier, awaiting shipment up the road, and two hundred tons of coal for the interior.

MEETING OF CANAL STOCKHOLDERS.—President Parks gives notice elsewhere of the annual meeting of Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Stockholders, which occurs on the 27th instant.

The Company will at the meeting probably take important and definite action relative to the re-opening and enlargement of the Harlowe Creek Canal, and for the further improvement of the Albemarle and Chesapeake. This great work has been of incalculable advantage to Eastern Carolina, and constituting an important link in the system of our inland navigation, is of great local interest to our people and the commerce of New Berne.

Commodore Parks was a chief promoter and original projector of the canal, and we trust he will be able to soon realize his highest conception of the great work to which he has devoted all the years of his life. We hope to see him in New Berne soon.

Arrivals at the Hotels.

GASTON HOUSE—S. R. STREET. OCTOBER 7, 1881.

W. B. Duncan, Beaufort, N. C.; Joel Kinsey, Craven; D. R. Midyett, Hyde county; G. W. Brown, Hyde county; Hon. J. W. Shackelford, Onslow county; A. F. Farnell, Onslow county; Micajah Farnell, Onslow county; R. C. Cleve, Vanceboro, N. C.

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TRIMMINGS.—Plaids and Stripes in Silk and Worsted for Trimmings, also beautiful Fringe in Silk and Chenille beaded in Steel, Jet and Irredescent. A large assortment of Tassels and Cord. Brass, Steel and Metal Buttons of latest styles, at A. M. Baker's.

CITY NOTICES.

Jewelry.—A beautiful and elegant assortment of Jewelry just purchased in New York, at Bell's, the jeweler. Any article ever sold that is not as was represented can be returned and the money will be refunded.

Oyster Saloon.—David Speight, Market Dock, next to the Farmer's Home, desires to inform the public that he has opened his Oyster Saloon, and is now prepared to serve the very best and freshest oysters at all hours and in every style. Attentive, polite and skilled waiters. General meals at all hours.

New Store and New Goods.—J. Frontis Ives has opened his new stock of fall and winter goods in the elegant new Duffy building on Pollock street, and invites the public to an inspection of his large, varied and elegant stock of dry goods, ladies' goods, shawls, cloaks, faces and ladies' fancy goods. Also a full line of furnishing goods, hats, caps, boots, shoes and every article in the line of general merchandise adapted to the dry goods trade of this city and section. Ladies' and gentlemen's fine shoes a specialty. Prices and goods guaranteed to suit customers.

Ladies Furnishing and Dress Goods.—A beautiful line of Children's Hose in oil colors. Madam Foy's and Thompson's Corsets. A full line of flannels, and an elegant line of Dress Goods, and Ladies and Children's Undervests, at A. M. Baker's.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

LANE'S RESTAURANT.

Middle st., bet. Pollock and Broad, F. B. LANE, Proprietor.

OYSTERS AT ALL HOURS.

THE BEST OYSTERS TO BE HAD in our market and from other points always on hand and served in all the best styles.

GOD COOKS, Expert openers, and the most attentive and polite waiters. Give him a call.

Midland North Carolina Railway

RATES TO BALTIMORE ORIOLE!

GOLDSBORO TO BALTIMORE & return via Bay or York River Lines.....\$13 00
Via all rail and Washington..... 14 20
New Berne to Goldsboro and return, two cents per mile..... 2 40
J. B. YATES, G. M.
oc8 Midland N. C. Railway Co.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

OFFICE OF THE ALBEMARLE & CHESAPEAKE CANAL CO., Norfolk, Va., Oct. 1. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Company will be held at their office, in the city of Norfolk, on Thursday, October 27, at 12 o'clock m. MARSHALL PARKS, President. oct 8 td

WANTED.

A GOOD COOK HIGHLY RECOMMENDED to get permanent employment with good wages by applying at once at office of WATSON & STREET.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

LEINSTER DUFFY

Dealer in DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, TOBACCO, SNUFF, CIGARS, etc.

At Cheap John's Corner, Middle and So. Fr. Sts. aug 18-8m NEW BERNE.

ALEX. MILLER.

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in CHOICE GROCERIES AND FARMERS' SUPPLIES.

The best quality of Groceries guaranteed at the lowest cash prices.

GILT-EDGE BUTTER

constantly kept on Ice During the Summer Months. Highest Cash Prices paid for all kinds of Country Produce.

Stables Free.

81 and 83 Broad st., New Berne, N. C. aug 31-8m.

C. R. ROBBINS,

PRACTICAL BOOT & SHOEMAKER Craven st., nearly opposite Custom House, New Berne,

Having moved back to his old stand, desires the continued favor of his patrons and the public. Uses the best stock, and guarantees good and comfortably fitting work. Special attention given to ladies' shoes. Repairing neatly done. [sep24]

DON'T READ THIS.—EMANUEL FISHER, Vegetable Store, Broad street (next door east of J. J. Tolson), wholesale and retail dealer in Cabbage, Onions, Irish and Sweet Potatoes, Eggs, Chickens, Lemons, Oranges, Candies of all kinds, Canned Fruit of every description, and all kinds of Notions. Call and see me before purchasing elsewhere. All orders promptly attended to.