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TWO CENTS

CITY NOTICES

Gentlemen's Underwear.—Gents Undershirts in all wool and merino in best styles, at A. M. Baker's.

Cloaks and Ulsters.—Fine Cloaks of latest style. A beautiful line of beaver and fur cloth for Cloak and Ulsters, at A. M. Baker's.

The Agency for Wanamaker & Brown's Clothing, now established at J. F. Ives'. An examination of samples invited. A sure fit guaranteed.

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 or mourning, at A. M. Baker's.

J. F. Ives has now on exhibition samples of Cloths from the Popular Clothiers, Wanamaker & Brown. The public are invited to examine. A sure fit guaranteed.

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.

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.

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.

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

SPICIAL NOTICES.
TRY Our Butter, it can't be beat. Alex. Miller.
BEST Brands Family Flour, at Alex. Miller's.
GROCERIES. High in quality but low in prices, at Alex. Miller's.
CHOICE Groceries and Farmer's Supplies. We warrant all goods as represented. Alex. Miller.
EXAMINE New Crockery, China, Glass-ware, Wood and Willow Ware Goods shown with pleasure. Alex. Miller.

C. E. SLOVER,
GROCCER,
CRAVEN AND POLLOCK STREETS,
NEW BERNE.

HAVING JUST RECEIVED THE following named goods which he offers, cheap for cash:—

MINCE MEAT.
RAISINS
CURRANTS, CITRON.
BUCKWHEAT.
PICKLES.
JELLY.
FRESH CANNED BEEF.
FRESH CANNED GOODS.
CHOICEST BUTTER.
FRESH ROASTED COFFEE,
(Ground to Order.)

Small Hams.
SUGAR CURED SHOULDERS.
Tea of Finest Quality.
Dried Beef Clipped to Order.
FULTON MARKET CORNED BEEF.
FRESH SPICES, Whole and Ground.
MACARONI.
CHEESE.
CODFISH.
IRISH POTATOES.
FINEST SYRUP.
English Island Molasses.
SUGAR, All Kinds.
KEROSENE OIL.
WOOD AND WILLOW WARE.
CROCKERY.
Cigars and Tobacco.
POWDER,
SHOT
AND
CAPS

Railroad Matters.

The State's stock in the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Road is 5,500 shares.

A narrow gauge railway of 22 miles has just been completed from Danville, Va., to a place called Cascade.

A special to the Galveston News from Dallas says the track of the Chicago, Texas and Mexican Railroad was completed to Cedar Hill Wednesday.

Fifty years ago not a single locomotive engine had been built in this country. The number now in use is 16,445, all made in America, valued at \$16,450,000.

E. F. Martin, the colored man who has undertaken to finish the long neglected Wilmington Coast Railway has been successful in all of his arrangements and the services of 50 hands have been secured.

After a survey of the Bristol and North Carolina Railroad now being made by Capt. Dwight is finished, and if successful, there will be three possible routes opened for the building of this road. One of them contemplates crossing the Blue Ridge at Cook's Gap and two at Watauga Gap, near Blowing Rock.

The New York Chamber of Commerce has received a report from the special committee on Railroad Transportation, in reference to the workings of the Georgia Railroad Commission. The report stated that in two years it had done away with unjust discrimination both as regarded localities and individuals. It was resolved to print and distribute the report.

Notes North Carolinian.

Wilson business men have subscribed \$50,000 to a cotton factory. Good enough.

Wilmington is the only Southern port except New Orleans that shows an increase of cotton receipts over last year.

The Newton Enterprise is informed that the track of the N. G. R. R. is laid nearly two miles that side of Lincolnton.

A large steam saw mill is to be erected by Capt. A. J. Critchen of Watauga, at Cook's Gap on the line of the proposed Imboden Railroad.

Lenoir seems to be booming as a cotton market. This is attributed to the Patterson factory that consumes all the cotton brought to that place.

Mr. John W. Houck, a large manufacturer of shingles at Perkinsville, has rafted this season nearly one million shingles down Wilson's creek and John's river to the ford of the river on the Morganton road, where they are hauled to that place three miles distant.

Caldwell has two big cotton factories, one wool factory, six cotton gins that we know of and probably more, two extensive shingle factories, a large spoke and handle factory, and many merchant flouring mills, besides other growing industries, which are daily enlarging their capacities for work.

General News.

The canvass of Mr. Riddleberger for the Virginia Senatorship is very active.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, to be Secretary of State, is the only Cabinet nomination expected for some weeks to come.

The London Daily Telegraph says:— "The general voice demands that Guiteau shall pay the full penalty of his crime."

At Trenton the Constitutional Commission have adopted a number of amendments to the New Jersey State Constitution.

The annual report of the Attorney General recommends an increase in the number of Justices of the Supreme Court.

Interviews with prominent naval officers show that our navy is in no position to cope with even a third rate Power like Chili.

The affairs of the Pacific National

Bank, Boston, are at last in a satisfactory way of being adjusted. The time for reorganization has been extended till the 15th inst.

The first session of the Forty-seventh Congress opened Monday. J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio, the republican caucus nominee, was elected speaker by a vote of 148 to 129 for Samuel J. Randall, the democratic candidate, and 8 for Nicholas Ford, the greenback candidate. The republican nominees for other offices of the House were also elected.

Highway Robbery.

[Postal to News.]

LAGRANGE, Dec. 6.—Mr. Foy, a sewing machine agent, of Goldsboro, when on a dark piece of road six miles from here was halted and set upon by three negroes, armed with guns, who took from him \$39 in money, papers, buggy blanket and whip.

The fishing party from this place to Newport returned with 150 pounds of chubs, and all had a glorious time.

Personal.

Dr. W. H. Barker, of Carteret, is in the city.

Mr. J. A. Hanrahan, of Pitt, is at the Gaston House.

Mr. P. A. Koonce, of Carteret, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Charles Whitty, of Pollockville, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Franklin Foy, a prominent farmer of Jones, was in town yesterday.

Mr. J. P. Caddagan, Assistant Treasurer Midland Road, returned yesterday.

Mr. A. G. Barrus, of Pollockville, Agent Trent River Transportation Company, was in town yesterday.

Mr. John Pearce, of Jones, ex-sheriff, and one of the most successful farmers and extensive gingers of the county, was in the city yesterday.

LARGEST COTTON receipts of the season yesterday—five hundred bales.

THERE WAS a perfect jam and rush on the cotton exchange yesterday.

Two more new box cars have been turned out from the Midland Shops.

Two schooners of coal, for parties in Raleigh, have discharged at the railway dock this week.

THE PRESSURE of business on the Midland still requires the running of an extra freight train.

SCHOONER JAS. M. WATSON, of Philadelphia, is daily looked for with coal for Harris in Raleigh.

REPAIRS are still going on in the Midland shop building, and the property put in good order and condition.

THE RECEIPTS of the Midland Road for the past month were \$15,000 or \$6,000 more than for November, 1880.

TWO HUNDRED bales of Lenoir cotton in one lot were received by Mr. Matt. Manly yesterday from up the railroad.

MEETING OF COTTON EXCHANGE.—The Cotton and Grain Exchange held a regular monthly meeting last night.

CORN, COTTON AND RICE.—Corn, cotton and rice are now arriving in large quantities by the small river and sound craft from below.

THE NEWLY rebuilt Midland engine, Lewis Coleman, is valued at ten thousand dollars, and could not be replaced for that sum.

HOLLISTER BRIMMAGE, who was run over by a hand car weighing over one thousand pounds, injuring his neck and crushing his chest, is out of danger and improving very rapidly.

TO SAIL.—The schooner Addie Henry, Capt. Dudley, sails for Philadelphia today, with lumber for R. T. Cherry, of Vanceboro.

MR. BEST tells the Boston people that but for the want of adequate terminal transportation facilities at New Berne, he could have doubled the business of the Midland Road this season.

THE LOUIS COLEMAN.—The large freight engine formerly known as "Blue Bird" has been thoroughly repaired and fitted up, and is expected to make her first trip this week. She is the largest engine on the road, and owing to her extreme weight, has not been in use for a number of years. She is named in honor of Mr. Louis Coleman, of Boston one of the largest stockholders and first originators of the Midland scheme.

SCARCITY OF LABOR.—We heard one of our prominent business men say a few days ago, that never in his life had he seen labor so scarce in New Berne. All classes of workmen are hard to get. The carpenters are all busily engaged in erecting buildings and making other improvements in wood work around town, and the machine shops also make a complaint to the effect that proper assistance cannot be secured for love nor money.

THE KINSTON COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE. This institution under the direction of Dr. Richard H. Lewis is a credit to a place of far more city like pretensions than Kinston. There are in attendance during the present session, between one hundred and forty and one hundred and fifty pupils of both sexes. Nearly every county in the State east of the W. & W. Railroad is represented, and all branches from the primary to the highest collegiate course are taught. The strictest discipline is observed, and to Dr. Lewis and his efficient corps of assistants, great credit is due for the high standard which the institute has attained to since its establishment. The musical department is one of the best in the State, being ably presided over in the person of Mrs. Dr. Davis, whose annual concerts during Commencement week thoroughly attest her proficiency in musical culture. We would like to speak further in regard to this excellent school, but for the lack of space we are prohibited from doing so.

RESUMPTION.—After a silence of three days, caused by the unusual delay of about a week in the receipt of Baltimore freight, the Commercial News resumes with a supply of white paper on hand sufficient for its uses until the prospective enlargement and other important changes in the paper.

Heretofore conducted by single individual effort, the paper is about to pass into the hands and under the control of a joint stock company of commercial men, who, by co-operative effort and capital, will be able to make it what the business of the place and the wants of the population, town and county demand it should be.

The scheme has sufficiently matured to be spoken of in this public manner, and only a few shares of the necessary stock remain to be taken. In this connection it is not improper to represent to all the business men of New Berne that they are equally interested in the establishment and support of a live daily paper in their midst.

We have elsewhere pointed out the disadvantage we are placed at with reference to other places in the State, and geographically situated as we are, no permanent life or prosperity can exist, or business be long conducted advantageously or safely, without a morning paper giving the telegraphic news of the day before.

The President's message will be two days old before we have any intimation of its contents, and so of any great financial event or business occurrence in the country. A panic like that of 1873, or fire of Chicago in 1871, might be going on and raging for from twenty-four to forty-eight hours before we should hear of it in New Berne.

To say, therefore, that a people so circumstanced have no business safety is the mere utterance of a fact apparent to every ordinary mind. And the young, live, progressive business men of New Berne appreciating the situation have made a move in the matter of a daily paper that should be seconded by every one in the city, whether large or small.

THE Norfolk Virginian of the 30th ult., says:—The schooner yacht Carrie starts to-day to the North Carolina sounds with a party of gentlemen from the North on board, bound upon a shooting expedition.

THE Goldsboro Messenger thus comments on our rendition of the history of brig "Julia," recently removed from Major Dennison's dock:—There must be a mistake in this item. Our townsman, Capt. Stephen D. Phillips, who then lived in New Berne, and whose memory is generally very good, tells us that the "Julia" was lost in the Delaware mud flats below Philadelphia, and that the vessel at New Berne supposed to be the "Julia," is none other than the brig Henry, which Capt. Phillips says never left New Berne dock.

THE HARLOWE CREEK CANAL.—President Parks and Mr. Courtright, of Pennsylvania, a capitalist and constructor of this branch of internal improvements, being one of the principal parties in interest of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal, made a thorough inspection of the Harlowe Creek work, finding the condition, in many respects, more advantageous than they had anticipated.

The dredging machinery, the force and necessary appliances, were ordered from Norfolk the early part of last week, and were to have been in position for commencing operations by Saturday last, but unfavorable weather on the Sound had delayed their arrival.

All necessary arrangements were, however, made for the beginning of the work, and we expect to hear that the work has actually begun this week. Messrs. Parks and Courtright left for the North but will return in a few days.

NON-INTERCOMMUNICATION.—In respect to mail facilities we are the worst off of any people in the world considering the surroundings.

We are absolutely twenty four hours from Goldsboro in the matter of general information and the passing events of the day, and forty-eight hours from the National Capital.

Congress convened on Monday, and the first intimation of the result, in New Berne, was had on Wednesday, forty-eight hours later. So it is with regard to all events; we can get no news here until the second day after it transpires. Without the telegraphic dispatches, we are compelled to print Monday's news on Thursday. Just think of it. The citizens of a commercial city, situated only sixty miles from the line of the great through fast mails, reading in their local paper of Thursday the news of the day of Monday—three days behind—Wilmington, Charlotte, Raleigh, Goldsboro and all points on the main lines of railway, for the latter all have benefit of the morning papers a few hours after they are issued, while the Wilmington and Raleigh papers are over twenty-four hours old when they reach us.

KINSTON MACHINE WORKS.—While in Kinston last week a representative of the News paid a visit to the machine shops of Messrs. Miller & Canday, under the management of Messrs. W. H. Hardin and E. S. Laughinghouse, and found them working day and night to keep space with their constantly increasing orders. A large number of workmen were employed, among them Mr. Edward Lewis and Mr. Sam'l Howell, both of this city.

Among the numerous orders upon which they are at present engaged is a large fifty-five horse power engine which is being overhauled for Mr. Jacob Parrott's saw mill, in Kinston. We learn that this engine was taken from the Confederate steamer "Neuse," which was sunk during the late war in Neuse river near Kinston. The engine is of English built and a mate to the one which is now being fitted up for Mr. Stimson's saw mill, in this city.

The works are now being enlarged and fitted up with new and improved machinery. When completed it will rival any similar establishment in the State.

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