

Tomorrow's Weather. For North Carolina—Fair, accompanied by local showers, slightly colder.

Tomorrow's Weather. Raleigh and vicinity—Fair, slightly colder in the morning.

ORTE'S CRAFTY POLICY

Situation Unchanged—Puzzling Guardianship Question.

"SICING" THE POWERS ON

Seems to be the Single Policy of the Palace Party—Report of Ultimatum Disbelieved.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

CONSTANTINOPLE, via Bulgaria, Dec. 5.—There is little or no change in the political situation today. The extra guardianship problem is still discussed and the Sultan's action remains uncontradicted from any source.

Diplomats admit that this is another example of the unequalled craftiness of the Turks, and a further illustration of the cunning of Eastern statesmen.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The daily Telegraph's report of an ultimatum jointly presented to the Porte by the powers, is discredited.

Three Fatalities in a Wreck.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NORTH YORK JUNCTION, W. Va., Dec. 5.—A collision occurred between two freight trains near Banks last night.

Great for Shippers.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—After maintaining rates for six months, the east-bound roads from Chicago, are again cutting and slashing with old time vigor.

The Winter Close Down.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

BUFFALO, Dec. 5.—Navigation at this port practically closes today; the canal is closed; hundreds of boats are tied up; coal shipments are almost all over and few more vessels will clear from here except those expecting to lay up elsewhere for the winter.

Guests Flew for Life.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

KILBUCK, Mich., Dec. 5.—Fire at Allegan last night destroyed the Chaffee house, a large hotel, and many guests had a narrow escape.

Won't Believe His Confession.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The police discredit the story of convict Stone, at Ft. Wayne, to the effect that he is connected with the Prunty murder.

The Raft Spread.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 5.—Spreading rails wrecked a Savannah, Florida & Western train from Atlanta fifteen miles north of here.

Foundered in Mid-Ocean.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

HAMBURG, Dec. 5.—Captain Patterson of the British steamer Madoc, for Port Royal, S. C., telegraphs from Corunna Spain that the Madoc foundered in mid-ocean.

DOWN EIGHT POINTS.

Cotton Declines Again and Closes Weak at New York.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, Dec. 5.—Liverpool opened 8-64 up firm. Afterwards the market became quiet and closed barely steady at yesterday's rates.

New York opened 3 to 4 points lower, lost 4 more points, improved again, but closed finally 8 points below last night, steady at the decline.

Manchester spinners are buying liberally. Continental spinners are equally in the market.

Options closed as follows: December, 8.05 to 8.06; January, 8.05 to 8.06; February, 8.10 to 8.11; March, 8.15 to 8.17; April, 8.21 to 8.23; May, 8.25 to 8.26; June, 8.29 to 8.30; July, 8.30 to 8.33; August, 8.31 to 8.33; September, 18.95 to 8.10; October, 18.95, 7.91 to 8.93.

Hubbard Bros. & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

Special to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Liverpool opened with a firm spot market. Sales, 19,000 bales; middling, 4 9-16, last year 5 5-8.

Our market opened with sales of March at 8.25 to 8.26, declined to 8.18 and ruled at 8.30 at 1 o'clock.

The buyers of yesterday have been the best sellers today, and this statement embraces the conditions of the market during the morning.

There is a slight increase over last week, but the feature in the crop movement has been the receipts at Bombay, which are 46,000 bales larger than last year.

HUBBARD BROS. & CO.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Grain quotations closed today as follows:

Wheat—December, 66 7-8; May, 61.

Corn—December, 26 1-2; May, 29.

THE SILVER GUN.

The First Bomb Came In the Senate Today.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Senator Chandler introduced in the Senate a bill for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of fifteen and a half to one.

Congress Will Take no Action.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Although there was talk before Congress met that Southern Republicans might endeavor to influence Congressional action concerning the new state constitutions of Mississippi and South Carolina, claiming that they were designed to disfranchise the negroes, there seems little likelihood of effective steps being taken.

THE STRIKE CONTINUES.

A Disagreement in the Terms Proposed with the Iron League.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The iron league refused to recognize the labor organization settlement of the housemiths' strike today, resulting in a continuation of the strike with renewed energy.

Chief Justice Fuller Improving.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Chief Justice Fuller's condition has improved today.

PETITION FOR PARDON

Caldwell Thinks J. A. White Deserves Freedom.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

EXECUTIVE NOTES.—A Special Term of Court for Person—\$200 Reward Offered for Murderer Newland.

Ed. Jones, Esq., of Caldwell county, was here today with a petition asking a pardon or commutation to a short sentence in jail for James A. White, an old Confederate veteran, who is serving a five-year's sentence in the penitentiary for manslaughter.

The case presented by the petition is a pathetic and strong one; it is dollars to doughnuts that a pardon will be granted. The signers include every business man in Caldwell county, every member of the Board of County Commissioners and every county officer; it is a noteworthy fact, too, that many negroes signed the petition, as it was a negro whom White was convicted of killing.

The case is a strange one. White, who was an officer of the law, went with another officer named Beall to arrest the negro, who was well known as a desperate character.

He was in a dark room and he immediately resisted arrest, saying: "I have got you two damned men where I want you." Then commenced, in the dark, a battle of life and death.

The negro was a powerful man, more than a match for both officers, and had a grudge against both. He knocked old man White down and then grappled with Beall. Dazed from the blow, White railed up to hear Beall yelling murder, and in his excitement fired at the dim form of the negro. The latter fell dead.

The next morning Beall said that it was he who killed the man; and on the trial a doctor was prepared to testify that from White's position in the room, he could not possibly have shot the negro where he did.

It is strange how a conviction was secured. But eight months ago he was brought to the penitentiary, where he is aging rapidly. Superintendent Leaser has him at light work. The governor being absent, Mr. Jones could not see him, so only left the petition. He says he will get the recommendation of the Solicitor, ex-Judge Allen and Superintendent Leaser.

Special Term of Court.

Governor Carr today ordered a special term of court for Person county to convene on the 6th of next January. Judge Henry H. Sarneck, by request of the commissioners and the bar, will hold the court.

Reward for a Murderer.

Governor Carr today offered a reward of \$200 for the capture of Sam R. Newland, of Caldwell county, who recently killed W. F. Steelman, in cold blood it is alleged. Newland was drunk when he did the shooting.

Funerat of the Late Jno. H. Royster.

The remains of the late John H. Royster arrived in the city last night on the Atlanta Special. Mr. J. C. L. Harris went as far as Monroe to meet the grief-stricken mother and wife of the deceased.

Today at 3 o'clock the funeral exercises were held over all that was mortal of the late Mr. Royster, whose age and death is told elsewhere.

Remain Appointed Again.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—The President has sent to the Senate the names of Hanson, of North Carolina, Minister to Mexico, and Allen Thomas, of Florida, Minister to Venezuela.

Attention Knights and Ladies of Honor.

Fullen Lodge, No. 1916, Knights and Ladies of Honor, will meet in their hall at 7:30 o'clock tonight. Initiation of new members and election of officers.

E. S. CREEK, Pr.

M. T. RAY, Sec.

EDITOR AYER NOT A GOOD FOP.

This is the Conclusion of Two Moonshine Victors with whom he would Not Drink.

This office was visited today by two of the remarkable specimens of moonshine victors that swarm the streets around the postoffice and in Federal Court. They had drifted away from the civilized scenes of judge and jury and, conquered by their own proclivities, went out to see the sights.

Being the sights, they came first to the Press-Visitor office. But the Democratic look of things here didn't please. "Where is Marlon Butler?" said the spokesman, lumbering towards the Caucasian office.

After some little talk the bottles came out—big medicinal-looking flasks with contents clear as spring water. The two victors pulled away and smacked their lips. Then the bottles were extended to Editor Ayer. He refused the drink. Both shiners looked dumfounded.

"It's good liquor, by —," said one, "Blankety blank if I don't believe you're a blankety blank stuck up blankety blank proud Democrat. Mark my name off the list. Corn liker's good 'nough for me!" and two highly indignant "shiners" walked gloomily away.

RAPID PROGRESS.

The Criminal Docket on Federal Court Gone Over One Time.

Federal Court goes merrily on with new arrivals of moonshiners on every train. The criminal docket was exhausted at 1 p. m. today, though all the cases have not been tried by a big number. Many of them were passed over on account of numerous delays.

The following lawyers were admitted to practice in the United States Court. Bart M. Gatling, H. A. Gilliam, Perrin Busbee, W. B. Snow and A. A. Hicks.

The testimony in the different cases was as interesting as ever. Witnesses in most of the cases claim to be at odds with defendants, and they never know anything. From their testimony it would be judged that they were more stupid and unobservant than the average animal stills situated in 200 yards of their places of abode, they never knew where they were in existence.

The following were found guilty this morning on the charge of retailing: Dook Clarke, John W. Harris, Silas Woody and Jonathan Walker, David Dann, Ed Holland, R. K. Norris, Silas Woody, Argus Norris, Ben Cameron and Neil McLean were acquitted.

Justice Roberts, who has had much experience in Court matters is assisting Clerk Riddick. The case against the young man Murphy who is charged with intercepting U. S. Mail came up this morning. The Government was not ready and the case was continued until next Court.

A New Style of Tickets.

A new style of tickets went into use on the Seaboard Air Line December 1st. The new style is called a simplex ticket, and is of rag paper. The shape is an exact square, 5x5 inches. All the old-style card and book tickets have been sent to Ports mouth to be burned. There are 1,000,000 of them, representing an average price per thousand of 45 cents, \$4,500.

Board of Agriculture.

The Board of Agriculture met yesterday and last evening. The members of the Board visited the A. & M. Colon on an inspection tour. All of the members are present except Dr. W. B. Capheart.

The early morning hours, with the gloom of low-hanging grey clouds, had a snowy look. The flakes drifted down lazily, as though gathering strength for a future attack. The break-up of the clouds was indeed a pleasant one.

MARYLAND, MY MARYLAND

The Baltimore Delegation is Speeding Southward.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

And Many Distinguished Baltimoreans—First Division Passed Early—Naval Reserves and Militia Late.

The Maryland delegation to the Atlanta Exposition, composed of civilians and militia are passing through Raleigh today. It is the largest delegation which has yet come from a Northern city to the Exposition and the fact speaks volumes for the industrial and energetic city of Baltimore, for the reason that such a large volume of representative men will be present.

Aside from this, Raleigh people take a lively interest in the passing delegation, who are temporary guests, because the Fifth Maryland Regiment, which honored our city by its presence at our exposition, is accompanying it, and also from the fact that Mr. Ike Emerson, so well known here, is commander of the Naval Reserves and is also with the delegation.

It is one of the largest delegations from a city north of Richmond that has visited the South since Sherman's army came through and this fact also lends additional interest to the occasion.

There are ten sections, and each section is composed of handsome Pullmans filled with pleasure-seeking Baltimoreans. The first section arrived in Raleigh at 6 o'clock and there was only a few at the depot to welcome the strangers to the city, on account of the early hour.

The first section which came shortly after the vestibule, was followed by four other sections, each composed of handsome Pullman vestibule cars. The trains stopped at Johnson street station about ten minutes. Train crews were changed and new engines were attached to the trains. The sections followed every thirty minutes. The militia, which comes by way of Norfolk in four special trains was delayed at the other end of the line. They were expected to reach here at 2 p. m. It will be 5 o'clock before the first train reaches here.

The first section from Norfolk will consist of ten coaches and will carry the 4th regiment, numbering 400 men. The second and third sections of the coaches each will carry the 5th regiment, 600 strong.

Fourth Section—Baggage car, gondola and two coaches: Maryland Naval Reserves, with four field pieces, baggage car and two coaches, Veterans Fire Association, with ancient fire engine and hose reel and Pullman sleeper, to be occupied by Col. J. E. Emerson and staff, commanding Naval Reserves; also Vice-President St. John's private car, which will be occupied by Brigadier-General Brown, commanding the Fourth and Fifth, Regiments.

The citizens came in special trains by all rail routes via Richmond and the Atlantic Coast Line. The militia came by the Bay Line on special steamers to Portsmouth. At Portsmouth they took special trains.

The coaches in most of the sections were decorated with streamers bearing the words, "Maryland delegation to Atlanta." The delegates wore handsome celluloid badges. On the front was the representation of the Maryland flag with the words: "Maryland and Atlanta." On the reverse side were inscriptions relative to the Exposition.

Among the distinguished men in the party were Governor Brown, who travelled in the private car of the president of the B. & O. Railroad. With him was Major-General Douglas, Adjutant-General of Maryland, and members of the Governor's staff. Mayor Hooper, ex-Mayor LaBrore, Rev. Dr. Maltbie, Richard Harcourt and other guests who occupied a private car. Governor-elect Lowndes and Cardinal Gibbons, who intended going, were unable to leave Baltimore.

Headquarters for the Maryland delegation and for Governor Brown and staff have been secured at the Hotel Aragon.

The party of civilians expect to reach Atlanta about 5 p. m. The troops will not reach there until early Friday morning—"Maryland Day." They will be given some rest and will then prepare for the part which they are to play in the day's exercises. They will be given Saturday on which to visit and see the exposition, and early Sunday morning will leave Atlanta for home.

The military have with them five of Maryland's best bands, including the famous Fifth Regiment Band and Drum Corps.

A TRAGIC END.

Mr. John H. Royster was not Crushed by the Cars.

The particulars of the killing of the late John H. Royster were given in the Atlanta constitution as follows: After waiting some time for the train to pass, Royster lost patience, and seeing a man go safely under the car directly across the plank crossing, he attempted to follow, thinking that the train would remain stationary for some time. He stooped and got well under the car when the engine started forward and rolled the car wheels toward their victim. A large number of people were in the vicinity waiting to pass when the train moved asay and several saw Royster's danger on attempt to go under the train.

When the train moved off several shouted to Royster to look out, but he failed to get from under the car in time. The people began shouting and waving to the engineer, and hearing the noise, he quickly reversed steam and brought the train to a standstill, but not until the wheels of the freight car had struck Royster and pinioned him to the tracks. The wheel ran against his back and snapped his spinal column, bruising him only slightly. The body was quickly pulled from under the car and removed.

The freight car was found to be off the track, but whether the contact with the body derailed it is not known. There were many conflicting rumors as to the accident, but an eyewitness and one of the watchmen at the crossing claim that Royster was at fault, stating that he crawled under the car without thinking of the danger.

NEWS GATHERED IN A DAY

Condensed and Put in a Readable Form.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

FACTS AND GOSSIP.

Interestingly Told as Picked up on the Streets and Various Points About Town.

'Maryland, My Maryland!' Subscribers to the telephone will please add to their list Mr. T. T. Hay, No. 185.

Work on house on Fayetteville street adjoining the Fraps building is being pushed. The interior was recently gutted by fire.

Lonnie Wishart, son of Mr. J. J. Wishart, received a painful kick in the month the other day from the extreme end of a mule.

The Treasurer says there are twenty-six National Banks in the State, and they do not average over one thousand dollar deposits.

Mr. J. C. Fearborough has completed the late Dr. Durham's report on Baptist State Missions. He left for Greensboro this evening with proof sheets.

Mr. J. C. Marcom will on next Saturday at 12 m. sell at public auction the store fixtures of the late B. F. Chestnut, consisting of an iron safe, show cases, scales, etc., at the store formerly occupied by the deceased.

Two Federal Court witnesses paraded the streets with drunken noisiness last night and were arrested. This morning they came up penitently before Mayor Ross and were fined three dollars each, and costs.

Mr. W. B. Clements, late passenger agent for the Seaboard Air Line, in New York, has been appointed general passenger agent for the same road in Atlanta. His territory will extend into South Carolina and Alabama. He left last night for his new field of duty.

The Board of Agriculture was meeting again this morning. Most of the business, however, had been concluded and the work went on in that quiet, chaty sort of manner that comes with a good breakfast, a comfortable chair and a good cigar. The board adjourns at noon.

Mr. J. M. Meekins, of Wake Forest College, has been elected speaker for the commencement exercises by the faculty. Mr. Meekins is a speaker of decided oratorical power and has promise of becoming quite an orator. Last year Mr. Meekins won the medal in the inter-collegiate debate at Morehead, carrying off the honors.

The bond issue, which the people of the city will have to meet on January 14th is attracting little attention so far. The negro leaders are exerting their influence against the measure and it would seem that its chance of becoming a law is doubtful.

Another large congregation was present at the Mission service at the Cathedral Church of the Good Shepherd church last evening, conducted by Rev. Dr. Bradley. The text was, "Repent ye; for the Kingdom of the Lord is at hand." He spoke with great earnestness and power, and held the undivided attention of his hearers to the end. There are four services held daily. The first is at 7:30 a. m.; the second 10 a. m., the third 4 p. m., and the fourth, at 8 p. m.

Two negroes who revel in the pug-nacious name of Murphy came before the Mayor today. The charge was shooting of craps and as both are over the age allowed by the Supreme Court for indulgence in this pastime, Mayor Russ sent both to jail. "Come sbebe; come leben!" will echo no more from the Murphy ballwalk. It does seem hard, however, that two brothers should be so punished, seeing that all funds, won or lost, stay in the family.

The revival services, which have been in progress at the Central Methodist Church for the last two weeks closed last evening. During the meeting there have been between seventy-five and eighty-five conversions. Bay Tuttle said today that the best thing about the revival was the fact that many of the converts were already church members—persons who had "back-slid." Some twenty-five of the students at the blind institution were among the converts.

L. O. O. F.

Regular Communication of Seaton Gales Lodge, No. 64, L. O. O. F., at 7:00 o'clock sharp. Work in the initiatory degree. Candidates entitled to this degree will present themselves without fail at 8:10 o'clock.

Members earnestly requested to attend as other matters of great importance will have to be attended to. A cordial invitation to all Odd Fellows.

FRANK E. EMORY, N. G. THOM, Sec.

ATTENTION DEGREE STAFF!!

Every member required to be on hand at 8 o'clock p. m. sharp. By order of T. R. PUNNELL, Captain.