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Tomorrow's Weather.
For North Carolina—
Fair, warmer.

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A TEMPORARY REACTION

Attributed to the Fact That Congress Won't Adjourn.

THE ROTHSCHILD OFFER

The Big House Wants One Hundred Millions in United States Bonds—And There are Others!

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
New York, Dec. 23.—The stock market shows a general improvement, being advanced one to six points. Railroads in the interior are particularly strong. Industrial shares the rise, subsequently receding slightly. There is a bullish tendency, attributed to the fact that Congress decided not to adjourn for holidays without taking steps to aid the treasury.

A number of leading bankers request the members of the clearing house to pledge clearing house gold in case of issue of bonds which is looked for. It is stated today in the event of another issue of bonds, the Rothschild's agreed to take a hundred million worth in return for which they will ship gold to this country.

August Belmont, whose house represents the Rothschild, is out of the city. The financial situation is improved, both on this continent and in Europe. The clearing house came to the relief of Wall street by deciding the issue of certificates.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The stock market opened higher all around.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—There is a marked reaction in the stock market. It is believed the worst is over.

The Gould-Hall Company, brokers, has failed.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The afternoon newspapers comment editorially and at length upon the Venezuelan matter, but their remarks are on the financial rather than political views of the case. While there is no statement of expressions, the belief is the ground taken by the United States is untenable. The tone is altogether more pacific.

This afternoon there is less excitement on the stock exchange. The market is however unsettled, and there is a disposition to take a more hopeful view of Venezuela, but there are grave apprehensions regarding the financial outlook in the United States. Liverpool, Manchester and Glasgow showed distinct improvement.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 23.—Of twenty Yale professors who expressed themselves regarding Venezuela, all but two criticized it unfavorably. Of the two one thought the President went too far. In general the criticism of professors was very sharp.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Venezuelan Commission—Speaker Reed is Chief.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The President has selected the members of the commission authorized by the bill that passed both House and Senate unanimously, to ascertain the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guiana, but he will not make their names public until they have notified him of their willingness to serve.

Speaker Reed is now the Chief of the House survey. The chairman of every single committee of that body which is at all prominent is a man who will do just exactly what Reed tells him to do.

ALBANIANS SHOW FIGHT.
Big Battle Reported Between Them and the Turks.

A SLIGHT GAIN

Cotton Closes a Little Up, but Wheat is at Zero.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
New York, Dec. 23.—Liverpool opened 1-64 higher and advanced another 1-64. Later on the market became easier, closing barely steady 3-64 lower than Saturday. Very good spot business; sales, 15,000 bales, of which 14,000 bales American, 500 bales for export and speculation; middling, 41-32.

New York opened barely steady, irregular, 2 to 6 points up, lost the improvement and declined 5 points more. After noon the market rallied, closing steady at top 5 to 6 points higher than Saturday.

Sales, 258,000 bales. The improvement is due to a better political and financial outlook. The movement of the crop is ignored at present, owing to the excitement on the exchanges.

The receipts are small today—45,000 against 75,000 last year. Total on Saturday and today, 80,100 against 133,000 bales last year. Tomorrow we shall compare with 49,000 last year. (Note: Tomorrow last year was Christmas day.)

Options closed as follows:
December, 7.90 to 7.91; January, 7.90 to 7.91; February, 7.97 to 7.99; March, 8.04 to 8.05; April, 8.09 to 8.10; May, 8.13 to 8.14; June, 8.16 to 8.17; July, 8.19 to 8.20; August, 8.20 to 8.21; September, 7.98 to 8.00; October, 7.80 to 7.83; November, 7.78 to 7.80.

Haberdashers & Co.'s Cotton Letter. Special to the Press-Visitor.
New York, Dec. 23. Stimulated by the demand from Liverpool through arbitrage brokers, our market opened steady at an improvement which could not be maintained when met with the continued liquidation of long holdings. The market to the extent that the Liverpool short interest has covered, is weaker, but there exists no disposition to anticipate a further decline. Notwithstanding the general movement of the crop, it is heavily believed that the movement will fall off shortly after the turn of the year and will bring about an advance in prices. This advance must be based upon actual trade buying, as the energies of the past week will tend to prevent any speculative movement for a permanent advance. It is evident that until national finances are placed upon the basis of the stablest nation of the world, we are liable at any time to have these convulsions under demand of payment of gold for our demand notes, and merchants throughout the country are the unfortunate losers by each one of these convulsions. Our trade expects a rally in Liverpool tomorrow and rather better local market through the absence of any pressure from any source.

HUBBARD BROS. & Co. Measures for Relief.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The committee on ways and means in session today will decide upon a financial measure in accordance with the President's suggestion for relief of the treasury. It is believed a measure will be proposed to provide duty on wool with a proportionate increase on manufactured wool amounting to twenty-two millions annually. Also a horizontal increase of twenty per cent.

Gas Explosion Fatal.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23.—An explosion of gas in Shenoberg's mill this morning fatally burned one, seriously eight. The men were working at the bottom of a blast furnace.

Taylor Wins Her Fight.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
New York, Dec. 23.—The striking tailors are winning their struggle. Only thirteen hundred men are idle. Others are being taken back on agreements which their employers sought to violate.

Insanity Dodge Works Beautifully.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
NEWBRUNN, N. Y., Dec. 23.—David Hansigan, the slayer of his sister's betrayer, Solomon Mann, who was adjudged insane, was released from the asylum today.

Spanish Troops Gain a Point.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.
MADRID, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Colon confirms the report that the Spanish troops have routed 4,000 insurgents on the Calmens river, and that a hundred rebels were killed.

A Duke is Dead.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.
LONDON, Dec. 23.—George Goldolphin Osborne, the ninth Duke of Leeds, is dead.

HILEMAN'S HIGH HAND

The Populist Svengali Would Work Wonders.

MR. JULIAN WAS PAID.

The Treasurer Ruled Him Out For Double Office-Holding and Took Him Back Into the Fold.

There was right much plotting at the recent meeting of the Joint Legislative Committee appointed by the last Legislature to examine the State Treasurer's books. Mr. Worth's books were found to be in excellent condition, but the Populist members of the committee wanted to find more. They almost wanted to resolve themselves into a judiciary.

The Stewart Brothers, whose names are not unknown in North Carolina current history, and the same who have the State Printing done, notified their Populist brethren to keep a sharp and acute vigilance for the entry of any bills in State books for printing work done through any other than the Winston agency.

Ambrosial Hileman, he of the false prophets, was chief among the watchmen. Hileman's Svengali eyes were always on the lookout and their vigilance was duly rewarded. Mr. Hileman found several items in favor of a Raleigh firm which he deemed were not given out in accordance with the law. It was the intention of these high muck-a-mucks to ignore the items above mentioned as well as others under the head of "contingencies," but Ambrosial, the great, and his allies were induced to pass them over until the final report is made next year to the Legislature.

The committee was not without its ups and downs. After adjournment had been taken, Mr. Julian presented his expense bill to Treasurer Worth.

This gentleman, who carefully guards the coffers of the Treasury, declined to cash the gentleman's bill until he had consulted the Attorney General on the subject. Mr. Worth refused Mr. Julian the amount asked for, on the ground that he held two offices and was an illegal member of the committee. Mr. Julian holds the position of Deputy Collector.

Mr. Osborne sustained Mr. Worth. But he did more. He stated that if Mr. Worth raised the question, the work of the entire week would be null and void and the Governor would have to appoint his successor. Mr. Worth immediately decided that he would not raise the question, for there was the ashes in his fire place of hundreds of thousands of dollars in coupons, which could not be re-counted.

While Mr. Julian is still a member of the committee, when the next annual meeting in '98 occurs, objection will likely be raised and his successor appointed.

Mr. Cleveland's Scorecrow.

Interpreted in plain English, the President's message of yesterday asks Congress to forego its holiday recess in order to rescue the finances of the country from a situation which his own folly has rendered acute.

There was something like a panic in Wall street yesterday. It was caused by heavy sales of American securities abroad. Those sales were the direct result of the President's threat of war with England over a boundary dispute between British Guiana and Venezuela, with which we have properly nothing whatever to do.

These sales of our securities call for still larger gold shipments and the still more dangerous depletion of the gold reserve.

So the President, who has made Christmas gloomy by his folly, asks Congress to forget that it is Christmas and come to his relief.

A DARING ROBBERY.

Masked Burglars Rob the Agent of the Southern Express Company.

A daring and bold robbery was committed at Roseboro, Cumberland county, a little station on the C. F. and Y. V. Railroad, 40 miles from Wilmington early Saturday morning. The agent of the Southern Express Company was given a package of money on the night previous containing \$950 in money which was directed to the Durham Fertilizer Company. The agent carried the money to his home and deposited the amount in his safe.

At 1 o'clock Saturday morning agent Greer and his wife were awakened by knocks at the back door. In reply to a question by agent Greer, some one outside stated that they wanted to send a telegram. Greer told the person to place the message under the door and he would send it next day. The next thing Mr. Greer heard was the crashing in at the door, and he was covered by revolvers in the hands of two masked men. The burglars demanded his money or his life and the agent gave up the former.

Mr. W. J. Crosswell, the superintendent of the Express company, was in Raleigh Saturday and was notified of the robbery by wire. He left here immediately for the scene of the robbery. The matter was kept quiet by the officials who were here. Detectives will likely be put on the case at once.

A LEAGUE CAN BE HAD.

Why Not Get \$1,000 in Stock Subscribed and Hold a General Meeting.

Speaking of the proposed organization of a State League, the Charlotte Observer says: "A gentleman well posted on the game said yesterday: There are several good ball towns in the State, and Charlotte, Wilmington, Raleigh, Winston and Danville, Va., can be numbered among the best, and with one other good town a six club circuit can be formed, which, with a small salary limit and good management, should pull through the season."

"Many of the cities have had no teams for several seasons and there is no doubt in the world that the people are baseball hungry and will support the teams of their respective cities.

"The above seems to be the general opinion of the baseball enthusiasts of the city and all they need is some one to take the initiative step."

A League can be organized if good business men would get behind the move. Persons who know say that 100 subscriptions of \$10 in each city would place the organization on a good footing. With proper salary and players limitations, the League could be made a great success.

If each of the above named cities, as well as other cities or towns desiring admittance in the League, will get \$1,000 in stock insured as above stated and appoint a representative for a general meeting at some central point, we may have a baseball league next summer to break the monotony.

Interest in rips and talent is plentiful.

LOGUE AS A REPUBLICAN.

Shaffer Laughs at the Idea—Jim Young as Private Secretary.

"How is old man Russell getting on?" queried a reporter of J. C. L. Harris this morning.

"That gentleman, as could have been expected, stated that it looked like Russell was the man for the next Governor.

FOR A COLD BLOODED CRIME.

Two Hundred Dollars Reward For Murderer Jim Payne.

Governor Carr today offered a reward of two hundred dollars for the arrest of Jim Payne, of Madison county, who is charged with the murder of Mrs. Taylor Anderson.

The crime as reported to the Governor was a most cold-blooded one. It seems that on December the ninth Payne went to the little mountain home of Mrs. Anderson. She was sick in bed and Payne was at home, with the exception of several little children.

There had been trouble between Payne and the Andersons, the latter having been forbidden the house. The reason for this was that he was an undisciplined son of the Anderson's daughter.

Mrs. Anderson asked and then ordered Payne to leave the house, but he refused and cursed her violently. Then it was that the mountain spirit asserted itself and she rose from her bed and struck the intruder, flourishing a revolver, with a fresh blow.

Payne left the house, but the tragedy was only to be postponed. A minute or so later Mrs. Anderson went out to see if Payne had gone. Those who heard the report of the pistol, found the woman's dead body in front of her door; in the back was wound caused by a pistol ball, and so close had the weapon been placed that the powder had burst the dress.

Payne is a young man scarcely twenty-one years old and has an exceedingly bad reputation. He has relatives in good circumstances and in the mountains they are hiding him away.

His victim was a woman fifty years old, the mother of a large family.

"ANNULMENT" PROCEEDINGS.

Judge Schenck and Charles Price, Esq., Argue Before Attorney Osborne.

To the city today came Judge Schenck, of Greensboro. It was a Southern train that brought him here; and it was a green slip of a two silver dollar ticket that made it possible for this brilliant haranguer to wake and make quiver with a voice of bold power the quiet rooms of the Supreme Court building.

For there it was that Judge Schenck started his argument to show Attorney General Osborne that there was proper and sufficient grounds for him to allow his name to be used in proceedings to declare the lease of the North Carolina Hall road invalid and unconstitutional.

But when the fury of the storm of words was spent, Hon. Charles Price, of Salisbury, arose. There was less noise, as much logic in his argument as that of Judge Schenck. And the cool, dispassionate atmosphere of the Supreme Court sittings has made Mr. Osborne's cool head and steady mind impervious to impressions brought on by noisy oration.

Ex-Justice Armistead Barwell, H. C. Jones, Esq., and James Manning, attorney for the North Carolina Railroad, also appeared with counsel for the Southern.

The proceedings were strictly of a preliminary character. Judge Schenck, going into the fight against the Southern's lease, had, under the Code, to obtain the consent of Attorney General Osborne to lend the name of his name, as State's attorney, for the action to be brought. To this necessary preliminary step the Southern Railway very wisely objected; so that was the cause of so much wordy conflict this morning.

In a matter of such importance Mr. Osborne reserved his opinion.

So the matter stands that the Southern, having come square up to its pugnacon adversary, in this preliminary bout, has the chance of bringing the matter to a sudden end right in the beginning of the conflict.

HOT SHOT FROM ST. JOHN

S. A. L. Withdraws From the Southern Fr't Ass'n.

R. R. WAR MAY RESULT.

Arbitration Board Unsatisfactory—Determination Evincing to Force Upon Minority Lines.

The Seaboard Air Line is first in and then out of the Southern States Freight Association. The Vice-President is peculiarly popular, and allows no one to trample his corns.

He throws a hot broadside into the enemies camp by giving notice that the S. A. L. will withdraw from the organization, in 60 days, this being the required time.

Mr. St. John addressed a lengthy communication to commissioner Bates in stating his reasons for withdrawing. Among other things Mr. St. John says: "The meeting called to complete the uncompleted contract for the organization of the Southern States Freight Association, easily demonstrates that its complete organization is likely not to be effected for some time to come, if at all, unless it be in accordance with the views of certain interests represented; who seem determined to force upon lines, whose votes most naturally under present conditions be in the minority, their own views and have been objectionable to the lines comprising the minority vote in such organization."

The election of these arbitrators, provided for under the contract has never been carried out, though there was urgent demand for them.

Recently a committee of five was appointed to nominate arbitrators for the association. The undersigned was a member of that committee. The other four representatives, notwithstanding the fact that it was known that the old arbitrators were objectionable not only to our system, but also to other interests represented in the meeting, insisted upon the nomination of the old board, to which we protested, and, when asked personally in the committee room if he had no other names which they could suggest for arbitrators, they frankly stated that they had not, thus compelling a majority and a minority report. The result of the vote could not, of course, have been unanimous as required.

Another committee was appointed with the same result and the determination seemed to be to force upon certain lines, who must always be in the minority, conditions not acceptable.

Mr. St. John concluded by stating that in view of this action and the evident intention of certain representatives not to deal fairly with interests with which they are not allied, the S. A. L. will withdraw. Thanks are extended the other officers.

It is said that the withdrawal means a new warfare against the Southern which will result in rate cutting.

Guessing About the Commission.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—A member of the Cabinet says that one of the most prominent men mentioned as likely to come out of the Venezuelan boundary commission have been considered by the President. It is strongly intimated that some distinguished army engineer, probably General Casey, will be one. The appointments are expected daily, but may be withheld until the end of the week.

To Prepare a Bill.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The Ways and Means Committee of the House discussed a plan having Congress to remain in session. It authorized the chairman to notify the House that a bill will be brought before the House by Thursday to relieve the treasury. The Republican members of the committee went into a conference immediately and may be obliged to work Christmas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The House, after the report of Dingley, adjourned until tomorrow.

POLICEMAN KILLS STRIKER.

DEATH OF DR. J. E. DUNN.

The Venerable Physician Passed Away Yesterday Morning.

Dr. James B. Dunn is dead. Death came peacefully yesterday morning and carried this well known and highly respected citizen away. Dr. Dunn had been ill for some months and his demise was not unexpected.

He was possibly the oldest physician in the county, certainly the oldest practitioner in Raleigh. Here he was known and loved, for his medical science and careful treatment has prolonged many lives. Dr. Dunn was a generous and kind hearted gentleman.

In cases of that dread disease, typhoid fever, Dr. Dunn was most successful in his treatment. It was rarely ever that he lost a case. His success with treating fever has been attributed to his careful nursing and attention to patients.

Dr. Dunn was born 74 years ago in Wake Forest township. He married early in life, Miss Bridges, who now survives. Dr. Dunn had practiced medicine in Raleigh about 40 years. The funeral services occur this afternoon from the First Baptist Church.

Same Voices in the Uproar.
[From the New York Evening Post.]
The past cannot be obliterated, but the future can be made secure if Congress will withdraw the country from the untenable position in which Mr. Cleveland has placed it. Up to this time, we shame to say, not one man of either party in either branch of Congress has had the courage to speak the truth and call the President's action by the name it deserves. No such calamity as this has happened to us since the civil war, and when we turn to the Republican party, which alone can save us from the consequences of this criminal proceeding, we find them all, in the House, except Mr. Boutwell, of Maine (the last one we should have looked to for a display of common sense) not excepting Speaker Reed, tumbling over each other in haste and eagerness to inscribe themselves as Mr. Cleveland's henchmen. In the Senate a few words of caution in a timorous tone were uttered by Mr. Hawley and Mr. Sherman, but it fell to the lot of a Populist Senator from Nebraska to prevent the movement in the Senate from becoming as precipitate and disgusting as it was in the House. Now have we been let loose in the walks of trade and industry. We are beginning to learn what war means to business interests by feeling the chill of its penumbra. It is not too late to save us from a worse panic than that of 1893 or 1873, but our only hope lies in Congress. Mr. Cleveland as a pilot has gone overboard.

[From the Boston Herald.]
We are not among those who believe in peace at any price, but if we are to enter upon a great foreign war—and this is what is now proposed—we wish to have the people of this country do so with their eyes open, with a full knowledge of the cause of the quarrel and with a clear comprehension of the risks and losses which such a contest will inevitably bring in its train. We have no hesitation in saying that if the plain construction of the Monroe doctrine was violated—as it was in the French in 1895—it would be better for the United States to declare war and fight the matter out than submit to such an evil. But when the issue involved is a new construction of that doctrine, having little if any bearing upon its original intent, to enter into war upon such an issue would be an act of senseless folly. And yet this is in effect what the President proposes, and in doing this he is seemingly supported by the great majority of the members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives and by much the larger part of our newspapers, without regard to their political affiliations. The proper course for Congress to take is to refuse to authorize the President to appoint this commission. This is a distasteful proceeding, but it is the shortest road out of a bad business.

For the Kings Daughters.

Mr. E. B. Thompson has consented to give another entertainment tonight for the benefit of the King's daughters. The Lord of Sunshine and Flowers will be the subject.

Judge Schenck certainly made himself heard by Attorney General Osborne this morning. The words of his speech, but not the earnest as the dictation of his Caucasian distributer, were plainly heard by a deaf reporter in the Agricultural Department. But the snap snap of sharp and repeated steps at "monopolies" sounded sadly out of place on what should have been the glad, sweet still of Christmas air.

Messrs. Royal and Borden are too busy to write advertisements, but they wish to say that the handsome Christmas presents to be found any where are to be had at their store. Call and make your selection.

The street cars will be run 'till 10 o'clock, midnight tomorrow night, for the benefit of Christmas. An appropriate and satisfactory arrangement.

Chicago Grain Market.
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Grain quotations closed today as follows:
Wheat—December, 54 7-8; May, 55 1-8.
Corn—December, 25 1-4; May, 25.

The Supreme Court, having finished the cases set for its consideration, adjourned at three o'clock this afternoon. The court will meet no more till the spring term.

NEWS GATHERED IN A DAY

Condensed and Put in a Readable Form.

FACTS AND GOSSIP.

Interestingly Told as Picked Up on the Streets and Various Points About Town.
Rev. Dr. Brooks, of Oxford, was in the city this morning.

The Grand Lodge of Masons meets here January 15th. Railroads are offering reduced rates.

The Capital Club will give a Dinner and a New Year's german on Thursday and on Wednesday evening week.

Three members of the United States Artillery came on the train today en route to Washington. They had been to Atlanta.

Miss Mary Johnson, who has been spending her third term at the New England Conservatory of Music, at Boston, is home for Christmas.

The "frog in your throat" pond in the drugstore window of Mr. W. E. King attracts great attention and causes much favorable comment.

Mr. Potter, formerly Superintendent of the Raleigh Electric Light System, spent yesterday in the city and his many friends were glad to see him.

The way in which new subscribers are bringing and sending in their names to the Press-Visitor these days makes it very evident that this is the paper the people want.

Miss Mary A. Turner, who during the fall has been attending Miss Carter's school, near Baltimore, returned home yesterday morning for the holidays.

Mr. E. S. Moore, of Selma, a well known citizen of Johnson county and a brother-in-law of the Superintendent of Public Instruction J. O. Scarborough, has moved to South Carolina, where he will locate.

Editor Bailey of the Biblical Recorder gets out an issue this week as usual. This is the first instance in the history of the Recorder, which is now 60 years old, that an issue has appeared Christmas week.

The boy who hasn't the price of a tin horn is so scarce in fact as to be lonely in his misery. Christmas is demoralizing to nerves, or those troublesome pieces of humanity would walk away completely with him of sober mind.

Mr. Harry Howell, a brother of Superintendent Logan Howell, and himself principal of Washington's public schools, is expected here today or so to attend the meeting, during the holidays, of school superintendents.

At Edenton Street Methodist Church yesterday morning Rev. Merritt, professor of Latin at Trinity, preached for Rev. Mr. Cole. Dr. E. A. Yates fills the pulpit next Sunday—after him Rev. Mr. Norman—the first Sunday in the new year.

Rev. Joseph Tyler, the veteran missionary of forty years' service in Africa died in Asheville, Friday of heart failure. Rev. Mr. Tyler spent some time in Raleigh last winter and delivered his lectures here, entitled "Forty Years Among the Zulus."

Mr. R. L. Fremont, who is here, in sporting a handsome sovereign's coat which was sent him by his home. There is a trick about this case which will be revealed on close inspection, and Mr. Fremont says they are designed especially for the "new woman."

"Another shoe thief you've let in jail," said Mayor Ruff this morning. The gentleman of color is named Timothy Williams. There seems to be a run of shoe thieving. The Mayor and magistrate's courts have been "log" in this respect for several days.

Master James Royal, a son of Prof. W. B. Royal, of Wake Forest College was dangerously injured last week, while playing on the football grounds at the college with some other children, a good post fall striking him on the head. His condition is extremely critical.

Mr. Ferris Babcock lost a highly prized dog some days ago but he did not feel uneasy about him as he was right in the Press-Visitor office and put in an advertisement for him. He has informed us that the dog has been found all right and says that he will go on record that the Press-Visitor can not be surprised in being kept a lost dog or anything else.

This paper did Anthony's unconditional injunction forbidding the publication of an issue containing the name of any man who had been convicted of a crime.

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