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N C RAILROAD.

The Directors Hold a Meeting in Charlotte.
The directors of the North Carolina railroad are in session in this city today. They met according to the call, at noon in the officers' rooms of the Merchants and Farmers Bank on East Trade street.

This is the first meeting held since August. The directors usually meet quarterly, and this meeting is held to consider the usual business of the road.

Among those who are in attendance are: Dr R M Norment, of Lumberton, president of the road; Judge A C Avery, of Morganton, counsel for the governor; Mr Philip Williams Averitt, of Raleigh, counsel for the governor; Col V S Lusk, of Asheville; Col Benehan, Cameron, of Stagville; J A Smith, of Bessemer City; Gen R F Hoke, of Raleigh; Hiram B Worth, of Burlington, assistant to the treasurer; Charles A Cook, of Warrenton; Hugh MacRae, of Wilmington, and John S Armstrong, of Wilmington.

A conference of an hour was held and the board adjourned for dinner. They will probably hold a session this afternoon and one tonight.

"There is no trouble between the state directors and the private directors now," said one of the private stockholders; "we had two different sets of State directors, each claiming precedence until July but all that matter has been settled now."
—Charlotte News.

The Merry-makers.

Seldom in the history of theatricals does one hear of anything new in a repertoire company but when the name of "The Merry-makers" is mentioned it is a guarantee that a novelty is in store for those who have the good fortune to be present at any of their performances. In organizing this company Mr Rhodes determined to place before the public a repertoire company of unusual merit, and that has done so can be seen by the very fine press notices that have been given the company since they have been on the road this season. This is strictly a comedy company and does not deal with the old worn out dramas under false names, as is often done by companies that tour this country.

If the citizens of Raleigh desire good, first-class comedy let them visit the "Merry-makers" at the Metropolitan Opera House next week.

Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents. Matinee Saturday.

A GOOD WORK.

Proposed Establishment of a National University.

The movement is now becoming widespread in favor of the founding of a National University to be called in memory of Geo. Washington. The women of the United States have taken up the idea and are vigorously agitating it. There will be a meeting of the State Committees in Washington, D. C., December 14 and 15 for the purpose of arranging methods of work. This proposed University is not intended to be, as some have supposed, a mere additional name on the roll of colleges and so-called universities, but if carried out will embody the idea of great post-graduate institution for training teachers and experts.

By so doing it would furnish good teachers to the whole country and inspire with its life-matters of educational thought throughout the land.

It is a movement which deserves to be encouraged. Mrs. J. R. Chamberlain of this city is chairman of the committee and will visit Washington shortly to promote the work of the institution. Such a good work in the hands of good women deserves to succeed and will succeed.

A Plague for Lexington

A Lexington gentleman who was in the city yesterday tells us that at his meeting there Thursday Evangelist W. P. Fife told his audience that he had a message from God to the people of Lexington, says the Salisbury World.

God had revealed to him, he said, that unless the people got on their knees and in sackcloth and ashes repented, a plague would come upon the city within the next ninety days.

Mr. Fife, we learn, is not so violent in denunciation as he once was.

Legal Holiday.

Tomorrow being a legal holiday Sunday hours will be observed at the Post Office, the general delivery and the carriers window will be open from 2:30 until 2:00 p. m.

A CHANCE FOR GROVES.

Supreme Court Gives Him a New Trial on the Judge's Charge.

The supreme court yesterday decided that John D Groves, who was convicted last spring of killing a negro Henry Wall at Forestville and sentenced to twenty years in the state prison, was entitled to a new trial. Chief Justice Faircloth rendered the decision and the opinion was concurred in by all the Justices. The case was argued by Mr J C L Harris who is Groves' attorney. The court gave the new trial because of the Judge's charge to the jury.

Groves was convicted on the testimony of a colored boy Lonnie Massenburg. The defendant's witnesses, Dr Powers and several other men whose word cannot be impeached, swore that Massenburg had said before the trial that he did not see the killing and knew nothing about it and furthermore that the night of the killing was very dark and it was impossible for a man to see forty yards, whereas Massenburg swore that it was not a dark night and that he saw the affair. The jury was not instructed about taking into account this rebuttal of Massenburg's testimony.

Groves has behaved remarkably well since this affair. He did not attempt to escape but remained at his home where the affair occurred. He comes of a very respectable family. One of his brothers is a minister in Moore county and another is a merchant in Abbeville, S C.

WARMER THURSDAY.

The Weather Bureau Predicts Fair Tonight and Thursday.

The weather forecast for Raleigh and vicinity is fair tonight and Thursday, with increasing cloudiness Thursday evening and warmer.

The high area and cold wave are now central over the middle and North Atlantic States, with the lowest temperatures at Boston and at Marquette, Mich.

Small amounts of precipitation occurred at Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Hatteras. The weather is now fair throughout the south and east.

A barometric depression, or storm, has appeared in the extreme northwest and is causing stormy weather with southerly winds and rising temperature throughout the west.

Hastreiter Coming Friday

One of the greatest contralto singers of the age will delight a Raleigh audience on Friday night the 26th inst. Madame Hastreiter has been with all the leading opera companies in Europe and for a number of seasons with such artists as Alboni, Jean and Edouard de Reszki, and others. She has created the greatest enthusiasm of any singer before the public in New York London, Berlin, Paris and the other musical centres.

She is supported by Sig. Eljardo, tenor, and the natural successor to de Reszki. He has also appeared with the big operas of Europe, Giacomo Quintano, the violin virtuoso, and Von Scarpa, the pianist. The people of Raleigh have a great treat in store in this attraction. It is seldom that such an attraction can be heard in as small a place as Raleigh, but this is only a filling in date. The box sheet is now open at King's drug store.

Highway Robbery.

Mr. R. L. Hopper, auctioneer at Farmers' Warehouse, was assaulted and robbed of \$27 by two negroes last night.

Mr. Hopper says he was on his way to the N. & W. depot about 9 o'clock, when a colored man asked him if he was afraid to be out alone. This was near Mr. D. H. King's office. Just before he reached the tobacco factory formerly occupied by Harvey & Rintels one negro grabbed him around the waist and another struck him on the head, knocking him down. After taking his money and pistol the negroes skipped.

Thankgivings.

We must render thanks to our host of patrons for their liberal patronage during the past year, which has enabled us to do the largest business we have ever done. Hoping you may enjoy the good things of this world today, and may your happiness continue through many more years. Many thanks to you one and all. Yours sincerely, W. E. Jones, 206 Fayetteville St.

The First Presbyterian church colored of Mebane was incorporated today.

THORN ON TRIAL.

The Court Room was Again Crowded Today.

MRS NACK IS NERVOUS

She Spends Much Time Weeping and was Not Able to Go on the Stand Today Against her Lover.

LONG ISLAND CITY, Nov. 21.—The Thorn trial opened promptly at nine thirty this morning. The court room was still crowded. The Bath rubbers continued their stories of the identification of the parts of the body.

During the night Mrs. Nack had a fit of hysterical weeping and was unable to control herself. A supreme effort was made to get her in a condition of mind to take the witness chair, but she will not be able to testify against Thorn today. Thorn's sister and her husband were present at the trial today. Thorn is still pale and nervous.

THE POST OUTFIT.

The New Morning Paper Will be Fully Equipped.

The equipment of the new morning paper, The Morning Post, is fast being installed. The outfit will be one of the best ever brought into the State.

Contracts sent here by the manufacturers of the Mergenthaler machines were signed today by Greek O Andrews, President of the company which will publish "The Morning Post" and by W P Whitaker, Secretary of the company, and the machines will be delivered here by January 1st. In the meantime the publication of the paper will begin at once and will appear on Dec. 1st.

The offices of "The Morning Post" in the Pullen building are being carpeted and fitted up and furnished and the paper will have the handsomest office in the State.

The outfit, which is already in hand, to publish "The Morning Post," will make it a model of typographic beauty, and the appearance will be the same as when the Mergenthaler machines are placed in position, the only difference being in the mechanical advantage of the latter to the work in the office. When "The Morning Post" makes its appearance on December 1st it will be among the handsomest morning newspapers ever published in the South. The news service will be complete and the mechanical and typographical appearance will be perfect.

MR. WATSON RETIRES.

He Accepts a Position with the Odell Hardware Company of Greensboro.

Mr. Joe Watson will move to Greensboro. This announcement will cause universal regret throughout the city. For many years Mr. Watson has held a responsible position with the Julius Lewis Hardware company. He is thoroughly familiar with the hardware business and knows every detail of the trade. He has lived in Raleigh nearly all his life and the people of this city recognize his worth and his strong character. It would be difficult to find a young man who stands higher in the esteem of the good people of Raleigh. He is assistant superintendent of First Baptist Sunday school and one of the most prominent and aggressive workers in that church. Mr. Watson has accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Odell Hardware company of Greensboro and intends to make that city his home after December 1st. While Raleigh deeply regrets to lose Mr. Watson at the same time she congratulates Greensboro and the progressive firm which has employed him.

The Morning Post's Editor.

Hon R M Furman, who will fill the editorial chair of the Morning Post, arrived in the city this morning and is at the Yarboro Mr. Furman received a warm welcome on all sides from his many friends here to whom it was a pleasure to shake his hand once more. All arrangements for the publication of "The Morning Post" are going ahead as rapidly as possible.

Charles Broadway Rouse has had 2,000 copies of Rev. J. B. Averitt's address at the laying of the corner stone of the Winchester monument printed in neat pamphlet form.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Specials From Durham and Wake Forest for This Debate.

Tomorrow night the intercollegiate debate between Trinity and Wake Forest colleges will be held in the Academy of Music beginning promptly at eight o'clock. The query will be:

"Ought the system of water works, lighting and street cars to be operated by the city for its people or by private individuals?"

The Trinity debaters have the affirmative, the debaters being Messrs Needham, North and Stewart.

The Wake Forest debaters, Messrs Utley, Johnson and Cannady, will contend that the water works, etc. ought to be operated by private individuals.

The debaters will each speak 12 minutes in their first speeches, and each will have a rejoinder of seven minutes.

The Raleigh orchestra will furnish the music. The presidents and many of the members of the faculty and most of the students of both institutions are expected to be present.

The promoters of this debate hope to organize an inter-collegiate league and have frequent debates. It is hoped that the people of Raleigh will turn out in full force. There is no charge for admission and the public is cordially invited.

A special from Durham and one from Wake Forest will arrive tomorrow afternoon.

THE COMING OF HOPPER.

Business Agent McKinney to be Here Monday Next.



Dr. Wolf Hopper's "El-Capitan," the new comic opera by John Phillip Sousa and Charles Klein which for the past week has been the centre of attention and interest in Philadelphia musical and theatrical circles, will be given its premier presentation in this city on Thursday evening, December 9th at the Academy of Music and doubtless every seat as well as every inch of available standing room will be occupied, and the desire to see and to hear this latest success is a very great one. The night promises to be a memorable one and the vast audience will doubtless be highly entertained for "El-Capitan's" libretto is brimful of bright and witty lines, the music inspiring and melodious and the performance lively and full of go, as only Hopper and his colleagues can make it.

The production is said to be the most gorgeous and lavishly beautiful one, and as backgrounds for the great cast of principals and grand chorus of fifty voices three magnificent stage pictures which are highly picturesque have been furnished.

The costumes by Dazian are said to be the most tasteful and appropriate ever seen in comic opera.

Mr J W McKinney, the assistant manager of Hopper, will be here Monday to complete all arrangements for the appearance of the great comedian here. The box sheet will be put on December 1st at King's.

Mebane-Holt Nuptials.

Today at high noon the elegant residence of Mr L Banks Holt at Graham was the scene of a marriage in which two of the most popular and accomplished young people of the State were the principals. Miss Cora Holt and Mr J K Mebane were pronounced husband and wife. The ceremony was witnessed by many of the most prominent society leaders of the state all of whom united in their hearty congratulations to the happy couple. Miss Holt has hosts of friends and ardent admirers throughout North Carolina and Mr Mebane is one of the state's leading young business men. The Press-Visitor joins with Mr and Mrs Mebane's friends in extending sincere congratulations.

SWINDLERS ESCAPES.

Henderson Authorities Strangely Let the Bude Thief Depart.

Yesterday the Press-Visitor printed a story about a well-dressed young man giving his name as Walters, who borrowed a bicycle at the hotel in Henderson, rode it to Raleigh and pawned the wheel to Mr. Jacobs for \$10. As stated in that account he was arrested at Neuse and carried to Henderson. Late last evening Chief Norwood received a telegram from Henderson saying that Walters had been released. The chief then telegraphed the authorities at Henderson to hold him and an officer would be sent to bring him to Raleigh to stand trial for obtaining money under false pretences. Officer Mullen went to Henderson on the vestibule after the fellow this morning.

Mr. Robert Dunn of Neuse was in the city today and tells about the fellow's arrest there. It seems that after Walters pawned the wheel Saturday evening he began to treat himself liberally to the firey beverage and instead of taking the train for Greensboro Sunday night he boarded the north bound S. A. L. vestibule. When he found that he was going back to Henderson he had the conductor to put him off at Neuse where he intended to wait for the afternoon mail. Deputy Raikes saw the fellow and suspected that he was the bicycle thief. When he attempted to arrest him Walters ran and a lively chase followed. He was finally captured and handcuffed, however.

Officer Mullen returned this afternoon and he didn't have the swindler. Henderson authorities informed him on his arrival that the prisoner was locked in a room in boarding house. But when the door to the room where the thief was confined was opened he was not to be found. The conduct of the Henderson authorities is not understood here and is being severely criticised.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movements in New York and Liverpool Markets.

By private wire to J. A. Duncan.

MONTHS.	OPEN-ING.	HIGH-LOW.	EST.	CLOS-ING.
January	5 72	5 75	5 67	5 68
February	5 76	5 76	5 72	5 73
March	5 82	5 83	5 77	5 77
April	5 88	5 89	5 75	5 82
May	5 94	5 94	5 87	5 87
June	5 98	5 99	5 92	5 92
July	5 93	6 03	5 97	5 96
August	6 07	6 07	6 00	6 00
Sept'mbr	6 07	6 07	6 01	6 00
October	6 05	6 05	6 05	6 05
November	6 05	6 05	6 04	6 03
December	5 96	5 98	5 82	5 83

Tone market steady; sales 109,300.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

November	3.13	3.13
November-December	3.11	3.11
December-January	3.10	3.10
January-February	3.10	3.10
February-March	3.10	3.11
March-April	3.10	3.11
April-May	3.12	3.12
May-June	3.13	3.14
Middles 3-1-4 sales 19,000; receipts 39,000; American 9,900; exports 500		
Tone quiet.		

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Lard—Dec. 4.07; Jan. 4.20.
Pork—Dec. 7.20; Jan. 8.12.
Clear Rib Sides—Dec. 4.75; Jan. 4.15.
Wheat—Dec. 96; May 91.
Corn—Dec. 26; May 29.
Oats—Dec. 20; May 24.

New York Stock Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange:

Sugar	130 1/2
American Tobacco	80 1/2
Chicago Gas	91 1/2
Manhattan	100
Louisville and Nashville	54 1/2
Western Union	86 1/2
Jersey Central	93 1/2
Burlington and Quincy	93 1/2
Omaha	76 1/2
Rock Island	86 1/2
St. Paul	92
B. & O.	122
Chesapeake & Ohio	21 1/2
Missouri Pacific	28 1/2
New York Central	105 1/2
Southern Preferred	29 1/2
Union Pacific	23
Wabash Preferred	17
Chicago & North Western	120 1/2
U. S. Leather Preferred	61 1/2

Mr H W Miller was in Salisbury yesterday attending the meeting of the directors of the Yadkin Railroad.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Put Honor of the News Pictorial on Paper—Points and People Pertinacious Picked and Pithed for the Print.

The city market will be closed tomorrow from 10:30 until 1 o'clock.

The sheriff's office will be closed from 11 o'clock a.m. until four p.m. tomorrow.

Attention is called to the change of advertisement of Mr I Losenthal to this issue.

Raleigh will have a good representation at the big football game at Richmond tomorrow. Quite a crowd left this afternoon to see the game.

Jim Young has succeeded in raising the money to send George Jones back to Greensboro. The purse was made up and George returned to the city of flowers, a happy man.

Prof S. C. Cross from Grand Rapids, Michigan arrived today and will teach penmanship and other branches in the Raleigh Business University. At the World's Fair he was classed among the fifty best penmen in the world. The university is fortunate in securing his services.

This afternoon at four o'clock the marriage of Mr. William M. Jones of Spartanburg, S. C., and Mrs. Dora F. Hearlt was solemnized in the Presbyterian church in Durham. A number of friends and relatives of the contracting parties were present to witness the ceremony.

Manager Hilda of the Park Hotel has prepared to serve an elegant dinner at the Park Hotel tomorrow as the menu published in our advertising columns today will show. Arrangement has been made to serve three hundred dinners and it is expected that there will be that many guests.

Messrs. G. S. Tucker & Co. will observe Thanksgiving tomorrow by closing their furniture store, in order to give thanks for the prosperous year through which they have just passed. They also wish to thank their friends and customers for their liberal patronage in the past.

Liverpool Inquiry. Attorney General Walsersays "The revenue act of 1897 subjects all legacies and inheritances to taxation, whether in the direct line or collaterally. This tax on succession applies to all property, which may be or is bequeathed or devised or attempted to be transmitted by one person or persons to another person or persons."

Sheriff Jones is going to give his jail boarders a fine Thanksgiving dinner. Turkey, baked potatoes, fruits, nuts, apples, raisins, bread and cake will be served in abundance. In addition he will give to each a plug of tobacco and a bag of smoking tobacco to gladden their hearts. Religious services will be held in the morning.

Mr Wm La Blanche, of Chicago, pictorial sign and fresco painter, artistic interior decorator and landscape artist, is in the city and will remain some time. Mr La Blanche is capable of very fine work in his line and will be pleased to show samples of his work to those interested. He will call at residences and places of business if desired. A message will reach him over 'phone 153B.

The following graceful acknowledgment comes from the Statesville Landmark: The evidence that we are to have another year accumulates. Uncle Levi Branson, who publishes directories, almanacs, etc., and preaches the gospel where opportunity offers, sends us a copy of Branson's Almanac for 1898. As Mr. Branson is a preacher we make no doubt that the weather forecasts in this almanac are strictly reliable.

Justice H. H. Roberts has disposed of several cases which come before his honor. There were three cases against Florence Spikes, colored, and she was found not guilty in two of these and in the third she was fined one dollar and costs for assault and battery. David Holland was fined one dollar and cost for trespass. Josephene Mc-

Gregory had the cost put on her in one of the cases against Florence Spikes and she was sent to the work house for failure to pay the same.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held at the First Baptist Church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Daniel, alternate for Rev. J. L. Foster, who was appointed but could not serve. There will be a collection, to be divided among the orphanages at Thomasville, Barlow Springs and Oxford.

The Secretary of State decides, as acting insurance commissioner, that a Washington, D. C. firm cannot write an insurance policy on the life of a man in North Carolina, that it is unlawful to solicit such "overboard" insurance. Yet if agents living outside of the State thus violate the law, there appears to be no way of getting at them.

Representative Chapin of Harnett is in the city. He said that he knew nothing about the report that he was to be district attorney. At the same time he didn't say that Harkis was not willing. He says that he has not applied for the place.

The Twin City Furniture company was today incorporated by the Secretary of State. The capital stock is \$10,000 and the incorporators are T. E. Wrenn and S. E. Weeden of High Point and E. H. Finstead of Winston.

Personals.

Mr. J. B. Munson is in Charlotte.

Mrs. T. J. Simmons, nee Miss Leslie Southgate, is visiting in Durham, her former home.

Mrs. D. Addison Coble, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of her uncle, Mr. C. B. Edwards.

Judge Avery has returned from Charlotte.

Eugene Worth Bagley has been detached from the Maine and ordered to the Winslow.

Mrs. Cora Marsh is visiting at the home of Mr. J. B. Fortune on Halifax street.

Miss Hattie Johnson of Asbury is in the city visiting Miss Mary Strother on West Davis street.

Mr. Thos. J. Pence left for Richmond this afternoon to spend Thanksgiving.

Mr. Guy Barnes went to Kittrells today.

Capt. Chas. A. Cook, of Warrenton, was here today on his return from Charlotte, where he attended a meeting of directors of the N. C. Railway.

Mr. Murray Allen of Trinity is at home spending Thanksgiving.

Yadkin Railroad.

The Board of Directors of the Yadkin Railroad met yesterday morning in regular annual session in Salisbury.

The election of officers, took place with the following result: President, Col. A. B. Andrews; Vice President, Theo. F. Klutz; Secretary, H. W. Miller. The Yadkin is said to be one of the most profitable branch lines the Southern now controls.

SCHOOL EXERCISES.

The Pupils in the Public Schools Remained the Today.

Today special Thanksgiving exercises were held in all the public schools of the city, both white and colored. Appropriate songs were sung by the children and at each school an offering was made for the poor and needy. This offering consisted of provisions and clothing. The clothing will be kept and given out at different times during the winter as the necessities arise.

Talks were made at the several schools. Rev. J. L. Foster spoke to the boys at the Centennial school and they were deeply interested in his remarks.

Rev. Dr. M. M. Marshall made a beautiful little talk to the children of the Murphy school, his subject being "Flower," the f for faith, f for love, o for obedience, w for worship, e for earnestness and r for repentance. Mrs. James McKimmon also delighted the children with a solo.

A Lady Bird Hunter.

Postmaster Wilson, T. M. Benton, Robert Right and N. W. Bishop and wife of New York, went up to Donna today for a bird hunt. Mrs. Bishop enjoys the sport immensely. She was out with her husband yesterday. She wears a hunters' costume, uses her husband's gun and is said to be a pretty good shot. The postmaster carried his turkey-caller along. If he sees no wild turkeys he will test his caller on some tame ones.—Winston Sentinel.