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ALDERMEN TONIGHT

Important Health Ordinance Will be Presented.

A RADICAL CHANGE.

Ben Carter on the War Path for a Liquor License—Some Improvements in the Police Department Contemplated.

Tonight the regular monthly session of the board of Aldermen will be held at 7:30 in the Mayor's office. One of the most important matters which will engage the attention of the board will be in regard to the health department of the city. The committee will recommend a radical change in this department. An ordinance has been drawn up and will be presented which will place the cleaning of out-houses as a duty of the city health department thus taking it out of the hands of private individuals. It is said that this is done in all cities and is necessary to insure cleanliness and protect the health of the city.

This will be done by the city, under the supervision of the health officer, at the least possible cost. It is to be accomplished, for each out-house about 75 cents will be required yearly. This amount will be paid by the tenant, not by the landlord. It will probably be made payable in January each year.

Deputy Walters will be elected policeman. He has been serving as an extra officer, by appointment from the mayor since Christmas.

Liquor license will be granted to Mr. Denton for the Wayside Inn on Blount street.

Ben Carter will come before the board with a petition signed by 150 citizens of East Raleigh asking for liquor license for his place on East Hargett street. Ben says that he is a property owner and in great doubt to have license since the board has granted license to a tenant neighbor. The chairman of the police committee does not think that any ordinance will come up tonight aimed to prevent the saloons having restaurants attached from keeping open after 11 p. m.

It will not be done tonight but it is probable that some improvements will be made in the police department before many months. Raleigh has a smaller number of policemen than any other city its size and the police committee is considering recommending that the number be increased to twenty, also that a system of police telegraph be given throughout the city. It is said that if the number of policemen be increased from 14 to 20 this would be sufficient for the next ten years. As an argument for increasing the force a member of the police committee says that, since the electric lights have been placed through the city, any one can stand on South street and by watching the corner of Wilmington and Martin streets see just when the officer enters and leaves his beat.

GOOD NEWS.

S. A. L. Acquires Sixteen Acres of Land North of Raleigh.

The Seaboard Air Line has made a big purchase of land adjacent to its property, just north of the city. The amount of land purchased is fourteen acres. It was the property of the North Carolina Car company, and a good big sum of money was paid therefor.

An official of the Seaboard states that shops will be built on the site and that the acquisition of the property will result in their early construction, as the necessity for the establishment of the shops in this city becomes more apparent every day.

Two objects influenced David St. John in purchasing the property. Firstly the water supply with the present arrangement is inadequate. By transferring the water to the new property there will be no difficulty in supplying a sufficient quantity of water for engines and shops. The stream is stronger where it traverses the new property, being augmented by several tributaries. Last summer the rails road was seriously handicapped by the inadequate water supply, and for a long while engines were required to take on water at Apex and Milbrook.

Mr. W. W. Paris is handsomely repainting Mr. Sherwood Higga's house on Blount street.

RUSSELL AND MCKINLEY

The Governor of North Carolina Sees the President, but Gains Nothing.

One of the most unexpected things which has happened in political circles here for some time was Gov. Russell's departure for Washington Wednesday, presumably, to plan with President McKinley in behalf of the appointment of Glas Co. at some year for the eastern district. The Washington Star of yesterday contained the following, in part of which that paper is mistaken: "North Carolinians have also been flocking to the white house. Every thing is hushed with them, however, except over the district attorneyship of the eastern district. The President is said to be friendly to C. M. Bernard, who is the candidate of Representative Skinner. The president is anxious to do something for Mr. Skinner for the work he has done for Senator Pritchard in the last senatorial fight. Mr. Skinner is a populist, but supported and worked for Senator Pritchard. Mr. Skinner was at the white house today."

"Senator Pritchard and Governor Ross of North Carolina were also at the white house. They had a long talk with the president. Governor Russell is here on business and wanted to pay his respects. It is thought, however, that he is taking a hand in the fight over the district attorneyship. It is not known how he stands."

John C. Daney, the North Carolina colored man who made a fight for recorder of deeds of the district, is here. When Cheatham was appointed recorder of deeds Senator Pritchard promised to give Daney the position of collector of customs at Wilmington. The promise has been kept, and Daney's name will shortly go to the senate for that place.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees Held—Improvements Contemplated.

Messrs. N. B. Broughton, and G. Rosebath both returned yesterday from Durham where they attended a meeting of the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

The report of this committee to the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons which will be held in Oxford next Tuesday will be most encouraging.

During the year 1897 the receipts for the Orphanage amounted to \$21,000. There are 212 children now in the orphanage and accommodation will immediately be added for 50 more.

During the year four cottages were built for the girls, each of which accommodate thirty girls and this plan has proved so satisfactory that four cottages will now be built for the boys.

THE U. S. C. Dramatic Club.

The University Dramatic Club will be here next Friday night. They will present the celebrated comedy, "London Assurance," for the benefit of the libraries of the city schools.

During the holidays the University Dramatic Club gave this play in Tarboro, Wilson, Goldsboro and Wilmington. They made a big hit everywhere, and had large houses. Raleigh will turn out in full force to see them, for in addition to the attraction of the performances, everybody wants to help the children in their effort to establish a good library at each school.

COLDER AGAIN.

Gold and Fair Saturday is Feared by the Weather Bureau.

The forecast of the weather bureau for Saturday and Sunday is fair and cold, with a light frost on Saturday.

The storm yesterday over the Atlantic coast, passing right through the city at the east last night. A high pressure area now occupies the Ohio valley and south, with clear weather in the Mississippi valley.

A considerable depression has appeared again in the northwest, which is causing cloudy and warmer weather, with southerly winds west of the Mississippi.

Presbyterian Church.

Services preparatory to the communion will be held in the Presbyterian church this evening, commencing promptly at half past seven o'clock.

Maj. H. L. Grant, prospective Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate, is in Washington.

DURRANT EXECUTED EVENTS IN SOCIETY THE MARKETS TODAY

All Efforts to Save Him Proved Futile.

GAME TO THE VERY LAST

The Murderer of Blanche Lamont Executed This Morning—Prosecuting His Innocence—Execution Witnessed by His Father.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Cal., Jan. 7.—All is ready for Durrant's execution. His lawyers are in Washington making another desperate effort to save their client. The prisoner has given up hope. His father, who attended the execution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—(Special) Durrant will make his final appeal for his client before the Supreme court at noon. If the court does not issue an order within half hour Durrant will die on the scaffold.

Motion Denied.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The Supreme court unanimously declined the application for a writ of habeas corpus.

The Execution.

SAN QUENTIN, Jan. 7.—Durrant was executed at 10:35. His father was present but his mother, who wished to witness the execution, was not admitted. The murderer died without a sign of fear and bravely protested his innocence to the last.

His mother paid her last visit shortly after noon and remained until the procession started to the gallows. Father Logan accompanied Durrant to the gallows.

The Durrant trial was one of the most celebrated ever known in this country. He was convicted of the murder of Blanche Lamont. Her body was found in the church. Durrant was a prominent young Baptist in San Francisco. Many believe him innocent and every effort was made in his behalf.

Three Negroes Hanged.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 7.—Three negro desperadoes were hanged according to law at Lakeville, thirty miles above here. They were tried in court and convicted of murdering Lewis Ziegler, a pedler.

Another Hanging.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. GREENVILLE, Mass., Jan. 7.—John O'Neil was hanged here today for the murder of Mrs. Hattie Evelyn McCloud at Backus Mass., Jan. 8, 1896. About a hundred witnessed the execution.

Cyrus Hanged.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. ATLANTA, Jan. 7.—This Cyrus was hanged here today for the murder of Annie Johnson, with whom he had been living, on Monday her in company with another man. He then surrendered and passed the last days in despondency. He expressed sorrow for the act.

The Muller-Sisson Wallace coming. A long search would have to be made to find three more important entertainers in their line than Polly Miller, Oscar P. Sisson and Ecco Wallace. When you go to the performance at the Metropolitan Opera House, January 12, you will be surprised to find that the program is the same as last evening. It is a whole new show in itself. Mr. Sisson and Miss Wallace start the show by giving a musical comedy sketch in which he has the double act, the cleverness of Miss Wallace's charming voice and jolly Oscar Sisson's wholesome comedy work. Then comes Polly in his regular line of story telling, banjo "pickin'" and song singing and everybody knows what this means. You laugh one minute and scream the next, and then drop a tear, but before a tear strikes the floor another laugh is due. The third part is taken up by a character sketch billed as "Old Times Down South," and here is where Mr. Miller makes a decidedly new departure, and really gives us a true character study on the old plantation negro, color, dialect and all. There will be songs galore and dialogues full of wit and wisdom, a la old time negro, and Oscar Sisson and Ecco Wallace have parts to play that will fit like a glove. It is safe to say this clever combination is alone in the field.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 7.—It is reported that a large steamer, yet unidentified, has foundered with all hands, off Beaudou, in the Mediterranean.

Receptions Given During the Week.

1397 GAILY WELCOMED

The First Week of the New Year Marked by Some of the Most Brilliant Receptions in the History of Raleigh Society.

The past week has been marked by the many social events. On Monday evening the Red Cross gave a dinner complimentary to several visitors a large ladies.

On Tuesday afternoon between the hours of 4 and 7, Mrs. E. T. Boykin received her friends to meet Mrs. John Yorkie, of Concord. Sixty lights threw their mellow hue over the handsome home which was magnificently decorated for the occasion.

Mrs. Boykin and Mrs. Yorkie were assisted in receiving by Misses Andrews, Annie Bashee, M. Fulgum, of Goldsboro, Nannie Jones, Patsy Mordecai, while Mrs. Julia Timberlake ushered the guests into the dining room where the most tempting menu, consisting of salads and delicacies, was served.

Those in the dining room were Mesdames Miss Bagley, Cook and Misses K. Badger, Boykin. Each guest received a beautiful souvenir of the occasion, a copy of Gibson's cupid, drawn by Miss Fulgum, of Goldsboro.

From 4 until 7 on Thursday afternoon Mrs. William Bryan Grimes entertained her friends in honor of Mrs. William Holt Williamson. In spite of the inclemency of the weather or the social elite of Raleigh was there. Mrs. Grimes received her friends, attired in a white organza with white violet trimmings, while Mrs. Williamson was beautiful in a creation of pink silk and satin. Those who received in the front parlor with the hostess were Mesdames Omega Foster Spencer, of Richmond, Charles Baskerville, of Chapel Hill, and Misses Minnie Tucker, Laura Hoke, Katherine Haywood and Katherine Badger, ushered the guests into the dining room from the parlor. Mrs. Minnie Bagley served coffee, the punchbowl was presided over by Mrs. Charles Bashee and Mrs. Frank Cameron poured chocolate.

Those who served the delicious dainties were Mesdames Sidney Graham, Ed Bashee, Thos. Keman, Ed Haywood, Misses Janet Badger and Marie Hay. The decorations of the dining room were red carnations and red ribbons and myriads of candles of the same rich color cast a soft glow of beauty.

One of the most brilliant events of the season was the elegant reception given by Mrs. Pace on Thursday evening to present to society her daughter Miss Mattie.

The charming debutante never looked prettier than last evening, when she received her guests attired in a rose colored elton with street trimmings, while she carried a huge bouquet of pink roses.

Mrs. Pace and Miss Pace were assisted in receiving in the front parlor by Misses E. K. Bashee, Lyda B. Bashee, Edna Bashee and Mr. Harry Bashee, while in the hall were Misses Sarah Hawk, Jane Andrews and Annie Tucker.

In the back parlor, those receiving were Misses Mrs. Bushnell, Miss Frances Hoke and Adelaide Snow. Soft strains of music were heard from some hidden bowler while the guests passed into the dining room where they were charmingly served by Misses Theodore Marshall, Gay and Marguerite Crow, Mammie Norris and Mrs. Grimes Cowper.

The decorations in the dining room were pink carnations and pink ribbons and lights, while garlands of snailax were festooned in graceful wreaths from the gas lights to the corners of the table.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Henry K. Boyer will be nominated, probably today, to succeed Horner Kretz, resigned, as superintendent of the Panama-Pacific mail.

We regret to note that Miss Rosa Ashe is extremely ill.

THE STOCK QUOTATIONS

Reports as Received From Over the Wires

THE STOCK QUOTATIONS

The Buying Impulse felt with Force in the Stock Market—Wheat Benefited by the Cold Wave Scare—Cotton Steady.

New York, Jan. 7.—The true temper of the general investment and speculative interest pertains to some extent indicated by the relative character of the business done when stocks are under the hammer and when they are moving upwards. The reaction which began a week ago was largely brought about by professional efforts for if any important liquidation had been provoked transactions at the exchange would have increased instead of gradually diminishing. Wednesday's turn for better stimulated increasing dealings and the buoyancy of yesterday's stock market was accompanied by transactions larger than at any time since autumn. The announcement of the purchase of the control of N. Y. S. & W. Railway, with ultimate intention of transferring it to the Erie railway, points to the increasing tendency in the Anthracite coal trade towards the easier consolidation of interests. Its course is impossible to foreshadow the effect of the transaction referred to in S. & W. preferred stocks until its known, what terms are to be offered to the minority stockholders. Its outcome, that in spite of the prevalence of much pessimistic in the coal trade reports from the best informed sources indicate improvements. The prominence of the groupings in yesterday's advance was due to the receipt from the west indicating conditions promising a continuance of large earnings. There has been no falling off in the grain trade to the extent feared by some observers in the early part of the winter. It would be surprising if some domination in this class of revenue should not come with the spring, but on the other hand the western distribution of general merchandise is reported to be highly satisfactory. At the south the railroads have been hampered by low prices of cotton and they show a feverishness. But it should be remembered that the south was the first section to begin liquidation when the hard times set in, and there a constant progress in the diversification of crops and of many factors south of Mason & Dixon's line, which in the end will favorably upon all the southern railroads.

Chicago Wheat.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Wheat is getting the benefit of a cold wave scare which is to be preceded in the middle west by rain today. Oil-rings of wheat have been small and the pit has acted as if short. Corn steady at about last night's prices. Country offerings bear light.

Cotton.

New York, Jan. 7.—Cotton has ruled dull, but steady. There continues a disposition to support the market.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

New York, Jan. 7.—Encouraged by higher list of quotations from London the buying impulse was felt with great force.

DAW, JONES & CO.

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Co. New York Cotton.

Months	High	Low	Clos.
January	5.72	5.75	5.78
February	5.80	5.80	5.80
March	5.81	5.83	5.83
April	5.88	5.87	5.85
May	5.93	5.91	5.92
June	5.97	5.96	5.97
July	6.01	6.00	6.00
August	6.05	6.03	6.04
September	6.04	6.03	6.03
October	6.06	6.05	6.05
November			

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Co. Liverpool Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 7.—1 p. m. Spots opened steady; sales 1,200,000 of which 11,400 were American; receipts 20,000, American 19,000; futures opened and closed at unchanged prices. Tone quiet and steady.

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

January	3.11s
January-February	3.11s
February-March	3.11s
March-April	3.11s
April-May	3.12s
May-June	3.12s

THE MARKETS TODAY

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

Wheat—Jan. 32, May 911.	3.14s
Corn—July 2, May 2-5.	3.15s
Oats—July 2, May 2-5.	3.16s
Pork—Jan. 9-25, May 9-25.	3.17s
Lard—Jan. 1-7, May 1-7.	3.18s
Char. 100, Sales Jan. 1-7, May 1-7.	3.18s

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

Sugar	44 1/2
American Tobacco	54
Consolidated	59
Standard Oil	115
Louisville and Nashville	5 1/2
Western Union	92
Jersey Central	92
Harrington and Quincy	10 1/2
Rock Island	70
St. Paul	36
Chesapeake & Ohio	22
Missouri Pacific	44
New York Central	49
Southern Preferred	100
Union Pacific	27
Chicago & North Western	11 1/2
U. S. Leather Preferred	64

A BOY WRITES.

Cigarettes are doing more harm than whiskey he says.

To the editor: I read your piece in the paper yesterday about boys smoking cigarettes. I think it is a great injury to boys, and men too. I have smoked (but my mother cursed me) for four years ago, but don't now.

I have been to the public schools and know it will be hard for the teachers to break it, but I hope they will succeed. Children are day by day poisoning themselves in that way. I stay at a store and know how they do. They say they want it for themselves, or get a man to get it for them. We have stopped selling cigarettes altogether. I don't think whiskey is doing much more harm than cigarettes if as much.

E. L. C.

A BOY UNDER 15 YEARS.

CANNIBAL BONDJOS.

Slaughter French Soldiers, Natives and Women—Roast Them for a Feast.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

Point, Jan. 7.—The government received information that the Bondjos attacked the French Congo post at Nacolo. They massacred the garrison together with fifteen natives and four women. After slaughtering the soldiers, natives and women the Bondjos roasted their bodies and ate them. Bondjos secured a large quantity of booty, including thirty thousand cartridges. French Congo authorities are unable to punish the band as the troops are not available.

A NEW DRUG FIRM.

Messrs. Thos. B. and C. D. Heatt, Jr., the John X. Mackie stand.

Messrs. Thos. B. and C. D. Heatt, Jr., have purchased the Carolina drug company and its entire stock, which place of business is at the corner of Wilmington, Martin and Market streets. This is one of the best known and best established stores in the city, having been founded by Mr. John Y. Mackie a number of years ago.

The deal was completed yesterday and the new owners will take possession as soon as the inventory of stock, which is now in progress, is completed.

Messrs. Thomas and Dennis Heatt, the new proprietors, are two of Raleigh's most popular and highly esteemed young men enjoying the acquaintance and confidence of the people of Raleigh as few young men do. That success will attend them in their new enterprise every one hopes, and those who know both young men have no doubt on that score. Success to the Heatt brothers.

The pharmacy will be under the entire management of Mr. F. H. Heatt, of Durham, who for some years, has been a member of the firm of Hackney & Heatt, of Durham, one of the best known drug firms in the State.

There is no more skillful and better equipped pharmacist in the State than Frank Heatt, of Durham. The new firm is fortunate, indeed, in having secured his services. He is well known and has a large circle of friends in Raleigh, who will extend to him a warm welcome, on again entering business in this city. It will be a pleasure to the many friends of Frank Heatt to welcome him back to Raleigh again.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Our Point of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Peed, of Wake Forest, are in the city.

Mr. Dughi has an apple tree in his yard which is as green and fresh as it was in June. It is entirely unprotected from the weather. He does not know the variety.

Mr. F. D. Bush, of Atlanta, division passenger agent of the Louisville and Nashville Railway, spent today in the city with Mr. H. S. Leard.

Mr. and Mrs. Omega H. Foster have issued cards for an "At Home," Monday, January 10th, from 8 to 11 o'clock, to meet Mr. and Mrs. William Holt Williamson.

The board of education is in session again today. They were engaged this morning hearing a dispute from Roblesville, but when last heard from they had reached no conclusion.

The finance committee has instructed the city tax collector to impose the penalty, 1 per cent each month, on the delinquent tax payers.

Mr. R. C. McAlvin has moved his blacksmith shop to south Blount street between Davie and Cabarrus. McAlvin is an artist in his line and has won diplomas at the Fair on his work.

Capt. R. E. Brooks will take charge of the Soldier's Home February 1. There are now about seventy soldiers in the home. Capt. Brooks visited the Maryland home when he was there recently.

The School Supplement was delayed on account of rush of work at the printing office and some scholars did not receive a copy today. If they will go to W. H. King & Co's, drug store at any time tonight or tomorrow a copy will be given them.

Raleigh has another colored physician. Dr. Geo. W. Williams, who has been engaged in the practice of medicine for the past two years in the town of Wilson, has moved here where he will practice his profession.

Rev. E. F. Tatum, returned missionary from China, will come to Raleigh today and will deliver a lecture at West Raleigh Baptist Church tonight at 7:30 p. m. His costumes and habits, showing during the lecture some of the articles of clothing, etc.

This month's Christian Educator says: "Last spring Col. J. S. Carr presented to the college library about sixty volumes of Appleton's Science Series. He has now completed the set, which forms a remarkably interesting list of works."

W. C. Lindsay, of Raleigh, formerly with the business department of the Morning Post, has accepted a position in the insurance office of W. H. McCate, of this city. We are glad to have Mr. Lindsay with us.—Durham Sun.

E. W. Grove, president of the Paris medical company, St. Louis, who will soon begin the manufacture of tasteless quinine in this city, has leased the building, 48, South Main street. Mr. Grove is now in Knoxville on business pertaining to the proposed manufactory.—Asheville Citizen.

One of the curiosities in the State prison is a negro who calls herself Queen of Sheba and devotes her entire time to cursing. She is in the department for the female criminal insane. She has a group of subjects always near her who yield implicit obedience to her will.

Mr. Harry Watts, the clever and efficient manager of W. A. Porterfield & Co., killed a fine large wild turkey weighing twenty-three pounds this morning. Mr. Watts is a dead shot, and knows where to find a wild turkey, on a frosty morning. He brought down this fine gobbler with his trusty gun this morning and invited a half dozen of his friends to enjoy it at dinner this evening. Mr. Watts' hospitality is much appreciated, and was doubly pleasant to his guests because of his genial and courteous personality.