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THE WAR RUMORS

General Lee Has an Important Communication

AUTONOMY A FAILURE.

Senator Allen Introduces A Resolution And It Goes Over--Great Activity is Displayed by the War Department.

By Tiegraph to Press-Visitor.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor

Washington, Feb. 23.—The Navy Department is looking over the list of war ships which might possibly be bought from various governments with a view of the probable purchase of some of them in the event of a war emergency.

NATIONAL GUARD.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Alabny, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Major General Roe, Commander of the National Guard, had a long conference with Capt Miller, commanding the naval reserve, who came from New York for the purpose. He replied that New York could mass thirteen thousand eight hundred men within ten hours' notice.

INVESTIGATE THE DISASTER.

Senators Feel That This is a Very Critical Time.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Senator Allen will attempt to introduce a resolution today to have the Senate investigate the Maine disaster, and he will make a strong speech in its support. He will stir up the war talk. It will go over until tomorrow. The Senate will attempt to prevent a debate as it is felt on both sides that now is the time for silence.

SOUTH TO THE FRONT.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The National Guards are recruiting all over the country. Gratifying reports are received from each State, particularly from the South.

TO RAISE THE MAINE.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, Feb. 23.—An officer of the Merritt wrecking company said today that the work is being pushed as rapidly as possible to raise the Maine.

INSPECTING COAST DEFENCES.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

New York, Feb. 23.—Major-General Merritt, of the department of the east, left today to inspect the coast defenses along the Atlantic coast south of New York. His route will include Atlanta. Through his modes it is announced that the trip was the regular annual inspection.

PUSHING THE WORK.

By Telegraph to the Press Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Merritt's trip south caused something of a sensation among the army officials. It is believed that his mission is of far greater importance than the regular annual inspection. It is stated by those in authority that the work of Southern fortification is not progressing as fast as is desired.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Receiving Estimates From the Railroads for Transportation of Men and Ammunition.

By Telegraph to the Press Visitor.

Atlanta, Feb. 23.—The War Department has on file reports from all Southern railways giving estimates of the number of men and quantity of munitions for war they could move in a given time at short notice.

AUTONOMY A FAILURE.

General Lee Says Cuba is in a Worse Condition Than Under Weyler.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Consul-General Lee has reported to the President that autonomy is a dismal failure. The report which is detailed and elaborate shows that Spain has failed utterly in its effort to provide a new government and that the conditions so far as the civil government is concerned, are even worse off than when General Weyler's potentiality was the dominating force.

ANOTHER DEATH AT PEST HOUSE

Charlotte News.

Harvey Perkins, the old negro man who was found on the road-side about three miles from town some days ago, suffering from a severe type of small-pox, died at the pest house to the south of the city yesterday afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock. News readers will remember that Perkins hailed two young men who were out bicycle riding and told them of his malady. They at once came to down and reported the fact to the board of health. Dr. F. O. Hawley went out and examined Perkins and pronounced the disease small-pox. He diagnosis of the case was subsequently confirmed by Dr. Wertenbaker, the Marine Hospital expert.

As soon as Chief Orr learned of Perkins' death, he had a grave dug in the woods beyond the pest house, where the body was buried late yesterday afternoon.

The other cases at the pest house are getting along as well as could be expected and the physicians think that they will all recover.

LOCATING SIGNALS.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Jacksonville, Feb. 23.—Under orders from Adjutant General Houston, the naval militia of this city will leave tomorrow on a military mission. They will proceed down the coast and locate signal stations at available points for corps may be called into immediate service.

COURT OF INQUIRY.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

Havana, Feb. 23.—Memebers of the Court of Inquiry will leave for Key West Saturday. Consul General Lee will probably return with them. The Court expects to have covered half the ground of the investigation by this evening.

PROCTOR MEETS LEE.

The Consul's Information is Too Important to Entrust to Cipher Code.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Jacksonville, Feb. 23.—Senator Proctor, former Secretary of War has been sent by the President to meet Consul General Lee on board the Cushing at Key West today or tomorrow. Consul Lee's information is regarded as too grave to entrust to a cipher code. Proctor will arrive quietly this morning on a special train for Key West that awaits him.

NEW TORPEDO BOAT

By Telergraph to the Press-Visitor.

Baltimore, Feb. 23.—The Holland submarine torpedo boat is being built here and will be completed this week in response to the secret orders received from the government at Washington.

ALGER RETURNS.

By Telegraph to the Press Visitor

Washington, Feb. 23. Secretary Alger has returned and took charge of the War Department today.

TERROR AT NEW YORK

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 23. The monitor Terror left this morning for New York.

SOUTH AMERICAN WAR

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

Colon, Feb. 23.—The President of Costa Rica has announced that war with Nicaragua is inevitable.

TERROR SAILS THIS AFTERNOON

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 23. The Terror could not get stores aboard this morning, but is expected to sail this afternoon

NOT COMING.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

Havana, Feb. 23.—Consul Lee denies that he intends to leave for Washington.

ALLEN RESOLUTION

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Senator Allen introduced the Cuban investigating committee resolution and its consideration went over until tomorrow.

SOCIETY OF THE CINCINNATI.

Important Meeting of this Honored Organization Held Here Yesterday.

The Society of the Cincinnati met yesterday morning at 10:30 at the State Library. All the officers were present save the secretary. There was a full attendance of the local members. The session of the society was presided over by the president, Col. Wilson G. Lamb. Maj. Chas. L. Davis, the secretary, acted in his official capacity.

The report of the committee for the erection of monuments to General Nash and Davidson indicated prospects for the early construction of suitable shafts to perpetuate their memory. The monuments will be located at the Guilford Battle Ground.

The society adopted a seal and a form of diploma, which is patterned after that of the Society of France, moulded in 1874.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of two deceased members were passed. Col. Wm. Polk, of Louisiana, and Gen. John Cochran, president of the New York Society.

Several ancient papers of particular interest were read to the society.

The following new members were admitted to membership in the society:

Rowland Alston, of Charleston, S. C., representing Capt. Samuel Ashe, Jr.

B. S. Davis, of Cahrlotte, N. C., representing Capt. Jas. Read.

Jas. A. Hadley, of Brentwood, Tenn., representing Capt. Joshua Hadley.

J. B. Lord, of Brooklyn, N. Y., representing Lieut. Wm. Lord.

Dr. R. R. Lytle, of New York city, representing Capt. Wm. Lytle.

M. D. Lytle, Kansas City, Mo., representing Lieut. Col. Archibald Lytle.

Joseph MacLean, of Decatur, Ga., representing Surgeon Wm. MacLean.

Wm. Polk, of Rapides Parish, La., representing Maj. Wm. Polk.

B. de G. Waddell, of Scale, Ala., representing Gen. Francis Nash.

B. F. Carter, Pulaski, Tenn., representing Capt. Benj. Carter.

Wm. D. Dearing, of Savannah, Ga., representing Lieut. Thos. Pasteur.

The society then adjourned to meet July 4th, either at Greensboro, N. C., in order to take in the Guilford Battle Field Ground, or at "Fairntosh," the the home of Colonel Benehan Cameron. Col. Cameron extended an urgent invitation to the society to meet at "Fairntosh."

Really a "Congress of Nations" at the Literary Entertainment at Metropolitan Hall next Friday night. There will be songs by the Dutch, Zulu, African and Caucasian, to say nothing of the Fourth Ward. All home made, but good as any. Prices are only 10 and 25 cents. Gallery seats 10 cents for all.

RESPITE FOR EVANS

He is Given Another Lease on Life

RESPITE FOR 30 DAYS

Governor Russell Again Spares the Life of this Man on the Ground that New Evidence has Come to Light.

This morning Governor Russell, for the third time, granted a respite to the negro, John Evans, now confined in the Wake county jail under sentence of death for a nameless crime committed in the town of Rockingham last October.

This case has now become famous in this State. The crime was committed early in the morning and Evans was not arrested until several days later. At least a half dozen suspects were arrested before Evans was.

John Evans was tried in Rockingham, Judge McIver presiding at the court. Two military companies were present to protect the prisoner. Excitement ran high and the community was greatly stirred up. Many believed in Evans' innocence, but he was convicted and sentenced to be hanged in December.

Judge McIver expressed doubt about the guilt of John Evans and many prominent men took an interest in the case and appealed to the Governor in his behalf.

A few days before the time for the execution Governor Russell granted him a respite for 30 days, until the last week in January.

Again a strong appeal was made for Evans and he was granted a respite until February 25th. It was announced then that this was the last respite.

The only announcement Governor Russell had made in regard to the matter this morning was "John Evans is given a respite for 30 days, until March 26th. The respite is granted because of a volume of newly discovered evidence filed and an inadequate time to consider it."

Mr. Claude Dockery and one of the counsel for Evans is in the city. He was seen this morning, but refused to make public the new evidence which has been given the Governor, at this time. He said that Evans' counsel were doing all in their power to save the life of this man.

This action of Governor Russell is undoubtedly commended by a majority of the people of Raleigh and probably of the State. Most of the lawyers who have examined the evidcare in the case believe that there was not sufficient evidence to convict.

GEO. ATKINSON HURT.

He Was Assaulted by a Negro at His Home Yesterday.

Last night a telephone message was received at police headquarters here from Swift Creek township to arrest a negro named Rufus Yates for assault on Mr. George Atkinson at his home in that township.

The sheriff has also been asked to have his men on the lookout for Yates.

The details of the affair are thus farmeagre, although the Press-Visitor telephoned to Dr. McCullers in Swift Creek for an account of the assault.

It seems that Rufus Yates had been working for Mr. George Atkinson. Yesterday evening they met in front of Mr. Atkinson's house to have a settlement. A dispute arose about the amount due Yates. He used violent language. Whether Mr. Atkinson had his gun with him at the time or went and got it could not be learned. But anyway, he had his gun and Yates seized it, wrenched it from Mr. Atkinson and began to strike him across the shoulders and back with the weapon. Mr. Atkinson ran into the house and his wife barred the door behind him. The negro continued his attempt at assault and tried to force an entrance into the house. His efforts availed nothing, however, and he finally left.

Mr. George Atkinson is well known throughout the county. He is about 65 years of age and rather infirm. His wounds are not considered dangerous, but he is quite badly hurt.

FAIR THURSDAY.

Heavy Frost Occurred As Far South as Jacksonville Last Night.

The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity says: "Fair tonight and Thursday."

A storm exists this morning in Canada which is influencing the weather in the Lake regions. In consequence of prevailing low temperatures the precipitation is taking the form of snow at nearly all the Lake stations, Marquette, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Buffalo.

In the east, south and west the weather is fair and cold, with high pressure. Heavy frost occurred as far south as Jacksonville.

It is warmer in the lower Mississippi valley and on the Texas coast.

ASIA WRECKED

Seventeen Lives Were Lost—Three Miraculously Rescued.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

Provincetown, Mass., Feb. 23.—The tug Mercury arrived today bringing the news that three men in the crew of the British steamer Asia were rescued yesterday taken from a piece of wreckage. They were almost frozen and as soon as they could talk said that the Asia had struck a great round shoal off Nantucket during the gale Monday. Capt. Dakin, his wife and daughter are supposed to have perished with fourteen of the crew.

HEARING MARCH 7TH

Woollcott Burglar Committed to Jail Without Bail

NAME HARRY GETTINGS

He Claims to Have Friends in New York—He is Doubtless a Professional Crook—Officers at Petersburg Want Him.

Harry F. Gettings, alias G. G. Gettings, alias W. P. Hayes, alias E. F. Ardell, was this afternoon committed to jail by Mayor Russ on the charge of burglary, without bail.

Gettings has for his attorney Mr. J. C. L. Harris. When he was brought into the mayor's office this afternoon his attorney stated that the defendant had friends in New York who could assist him and the request was made that the preliminary examination be postponed. Mayor Russ granted the request and sent Harry F. Gettings to jail on the charge of burglary without bail until March 7th at 3 p. m., when he will be given a hearing.

The burglar is a young man of about 27 years of age, has a youthful appearance. He may be termed good looking and was dressed in almost fashionable attire when arrested.

He was lodged at the Yarborough Monday, the 7th, and remained there until last night, when he took Texas leave and left behind an unpaid board bill as a souvenir of his stay.

"G. G. Gettings, New York City," is the address which he registered. The prisoner yesterday admitted that the name was an assumed one, and he declined positively to reveal his right cognomen.

A package which he had when here has not been found. Mr. Woodward and others made a search for it today. It is thought that he spent Sunday night in Pullen Park, hiding from the officers, indeed evidence was found in the house erected in the park for a restaurant that he had been there. When this package is found it is supposed that other stolen articles will be discovered.

The prisoner corresponds exactly in the description of a party wanted in Petersburg, Va., and it is believed that he operated there before coming here. The party wanted in Petersburg is charged with burglary. The crime was committed on the 13th. "Gettings" arrived here the 14th. Chief Norwood received the following circular from the Petersburg authorities under date of February 15th:

"Twenty dollars reward for the arrest of W. P. Hayes, the man who escaped from police officers in Petersburg, Sunday night. February 14th, wanted for burglary.

Samuel Edwards' description: 5 feet 7 inches and 145, compact, dark, clean shave, full head dark, stoop shoulders, flat, lump on neck as if made by ballet, [illegible] Black Sack coat, [illegible] and hat. A very [illegible] customer."

The following telegram was received from Chief Crump, of police of Petersburg this morning, by Chief Norwood: "If you have a [illegible] Hayes, [illegible]."

The [illegible] the doubt [illegible] was a professional. The [illegible] was in supposing [illegible] city and operating [illegible].

Mr. Will Wynne said this morning that he knew the [illegible] in Atlanta. When Mr. Wynne was [illegible] having exhibitions in [illegible] along the same line followed [illegible] and sent to jail for [illegible] months in [illegible].

TO-DAY'S AFFAIRS.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the Governor's Mansion tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, instead of 4 o'clock, as stated in the [illegible] to meet Mrs. Cleveland, the President, who will arrive in the morning.

THE ONLY THING TO DO.

New York World.

"Why did she [illegible] from her husband?" asked the New York woman who was visiting in Chicago.

"Why, there was no one else she could get a divorce from, you know!" was the surprised reply.

USEFULNESS OF BOWLS.

"Whenever you come across a pretty nest of bowls that is [illegible]," says a housekeeper, "never fail to buy them. There is nothing that you will find more convenient in the family."

EXAMINATION WAIVED.

Lucretia Maultsby, the negro girl who is accused of the larceny of $25 from Mrs. A. B. Anderson at the Governor's Mansion was brought from jail to the mayor's office today and her counsel, Mr. J. C. L. Harris, waived examination and she was sent on to court. Her bond is $50 and will probably be given.

An effort was made today to have the warrant against Lucretia withdrawn, since it will be unpleasant and probably almost impossible for Mrs. Anderson to be here as witness at the court, but the mayor said he had no right to destroy the warrant.

ZOLA TRIAL.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor.

Paris, Feb. 23.—La Bori continued his plea for Zola, saying that the ministers lied. He severely denounced the high officials for condemning Dreyfus. There was a great uproar in the court.

ACCUSED OF FOGERY

Officers Searching for Jas C Langdon.

LEFT HERE SATURDAY

He is the Son of Samuel P. Langdon, of Langdon-Henszey Fame—A Check Cashed for Him is Protested.

Last week James C. Langdon, of Philadelphia, was a registered guest at the Yarborough House. He met many gentlemen of the city. He is the son of Samuel Langdon, of Philadelphia, who has visited this city several times. He was one of the principals in the famous Langdon-Henszey suit over the coal mines in Chatham county. Samuel P. Langdon is said to be extremely wealthy.

Last Thursday young James C. Langdon came to a prominent business man upon acquaintance he had made in the city and told him that his cash had run out and asked him to kindly endorse a check for him. Langdon appeared to be a very genteel young man, very neat in his dress not over medium in height, rather slender with hair almost white.

The acquaintance of whom he asked this favor endorsed the check for him and then carried it to a business man here who has a large bank account and he also endorsed.

The check was dated February 15th, drawn on the Central National Bank of Philadelphia, for $20, in favor of James C. Langdon, signed by S. P. Langdon, and endorsed by James C. Langdon on the back. This morning the gentleman who endorsed the check received notice that it had been protested.

The endorsers telegraphed to Philadelphia about it this morning.

Young Langdon left this city last Saturday and his whereabouts are not known. The endorsers said that they thought from information received that James Langdon had forged the name of his father. They have telegraphed to various places to have him apprehended, and they expect to have him arrested and brought here.

TARIFF ASSOCIATION.

A Novel Corporation Established at Wilmington—Its Purpose.

Article of agreement were today filed with the Secretary of State by J. A. Taylor, M. W. Jacocks, C. W. Worth, J. A. Armfield and C. E. Burkhead, all of Wilmington, for the incorporation of "The Wilmington Tariff Association" for a term of thirty years. There are 500 shares of the Association's capital at a par value of $5.00 per share.

The following is the clause setting out the purpose of the Association:

"The business it proposes to carry on is the maintenance and operation of an association office in the city of Wilmington, for the adjustment, arrangement and settlement of charges, bills and rates for transportation of property and passengers by all carriers or others, to adjust by suit or otherwise, contested freight and carriage claims, to investigate and act in all cases of State or interstate discrimination, inequality, unreasonable, unjust and excessive carriage, receiving, delivering or handling horses, express, storage, and all other charges whatsoever, on exports, imports and local productions, and to secure proper legislation therefor, either under the laws of the State of North Carolina, or the United States, or any State thereof, to overcome by united effort any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any person, company, firm, corporation or locality, or to any particular description of kinds of traffic, in any respect whatsoever, and to remove any undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage to the city of Wilmington, or the State of North Carolina, in commerce or traffic in any respect whatever, so that all reasonable, proper and equal facilities for the interchange of traffic be afforded and city of Wilmington, to promote commerce, traffic State and interstate, so that resources of this State may be developed and so as to receive and distribute all productions and commodities, local and otherwise, from and into as vast a territory as possible; and in every other legitimate way to facilitate build up, maintain and extend the trade of the city of Wilmington and State of North Carolina.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER.

Mrs. Roe Ella Holleman, of this city, in consideration of natural love and affection and a small consideration has given to Mrs. Susie Robbins, wife of William H. Robbins, a tract of land on the Smithfield road, containing 39½ acres, a lot bounded on the north by market street, on the east by a lot of the late W. H. Holleman, south by Martin street, west by Citizen's Bank building and lot of M. H. Brown and the late W. H. Holleman, a lot beginning at Strenach's southeast corner on Martin street to Southwest corner of Citizen's Bank, being 39 feet on Martin street, to Dr. H. Adams' line, and 39 feet on market square.

Mrs. Holleman also conveyed to Miss Mamie E. Robbins, for a similar consideration, a tract of land facing Fayetteville and Salisbury streets. The lot begins on Fayetteville street with the lot of the late Henry Mahler and runs south.

For a similar consideration Mrs. Holleman conveys to Miss Abbie Stanback a lot in this city adjoining the lads of Mrs. Mattie Avera on the west, and Stanhope Wynne and P. M. Busbee on the north.

WORK BEGUN.

Work on the Raleigh and Cape Fear Railroad Commences.

Work was today begun in earnest on the Raleigh and Cape Fear Railroad, which will run from Raleigh to Lillington, in Harnett county. The line will be about 18 miles in length. Mr. Dallas Adams threw the first shovel of dirt. Work was begun at the Caraleigh mill south of the city.

Several parties have offered bids to build the road, and one company says that they would finish it in 60 days.

MAJ. GRANT TALKS.

He Says the Lease of A. & N. C. to Southern a Good Bargain for State.

Maj. H. L. Grant, of Goldsboro, was in the city this morning. He said that the address issued by the Democratic Executive Committee last night suited him exactly. He thought that it would take Russell off the hands of the Republicans and Butler would also have to go with them, under that invitation. The Major, however, expects fusion between the Republicans and Populists on county and judicial tickets, in fact on everything except in Congressional Districts. Linney is the only Republican who can get Republican support. Strong and Shaford are gone.

In speaking about the proposed lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad by the State to the Southern Maj. Grant says that this would undoubtedly be a good thing for the State and would remove the road from politics. He said that the proposal for this lease was made by Russell two months ago.

"Do you think that the lease will be made?" he was asked.

"That depends on whether the Governor can delete the 'goods,' he replied.

FRENCH PROTECTIVE DUTY.

A considerable increase having taken place of late years in the production of bacon, lard, etc., in France, the French Government has decided to place an additional protective duty upon the importation of these articles, with a view to stop the import of American and British produce. This step will involve a serious loss in traffic to the steamers trading between the United States ports and Havre and Bordeaux.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movement in New York and Liverpool Markets

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Co.

New York Cotton.

Months.	High.	Low.	Clos.
February	— —	——	6 00@6 01
March	6 05	6 01	6 01@6 02
April	6 09	6 05	6 04@6 05
May	6 13	6 08	6 08@6 09
June	6 15	6 11	6 11@6 12
July	6 16	6 15	6 14@6 15
August	6 22	6 17	6 17@6 18
September	6 19	6 17	6 16@6 17
October	6 19	6 15	6 15@6 16
November	6 18	6 16	6 16@6 16
December	— —	——	6 18@6 19

Quiet; sales 198,300

Liverpool Cotton Market

LIVERPOOL, Feb 23—4 p m

Good business doing; prices higher American middling 3 13-32; sales 12,000, speculation and exports 1000 receipts 100, American 100. Futures opened steady, demand fair.

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

February	3 24b
February-March	3 22v
March-April	3.22a
April-May	3.22b
May-June	3.22a
June-July	3.22b
July-August	3.2db
August-September	3.2db
September-October	3.24a
October-November	3.24-
November-December	3.24

Chicago Grain and Provision Market

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

Wheat—July 97½; May 100

Corn—July 30⅞; May 30½

Oats—July 24⅞; May 26⅞

Pork—July 10.87; May 10.82

Lard—July 5.37b; May 5.30.

Clear Rib Sides—July 5.32; May 5.22

New York Stock Market

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

Sugar	125¼
American Tobacco	89½
Con Gas	184
Manhattan	107½
Louisville and Nashville	55
Western Union	—
Jersey Central	92
Burlington and Quincy	96⅝
Rock Island	87
St. Paul	92⅞
Chesapeake & Ohio	21
Missouri Pacific	27
Southern Preferred	28¾
Chicago & North Western	122¾
U S Leather Preferred	61½

A REMARKABLE LIGHT.

A yellow light has been obtained with incandescent gas burners by a German inventor at Krefeld. He alters the burners so that the gas is supplied at a pressure of three and a half atmospheres. A single jet of ordinary size then emits a light of more than 1000 candle-power, by which fine print may be read at a distance of 150 feet from the light.

Ex-Judge Conner arrived in the city yesterday.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Pot-Pourri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily put in Print.

Col. B. Cameron, of Stagville, is in the city.

Mr. C. B. Aycock returned to Goldsboro today.

Fresh doughnuts at the Woman's Exchange tomorrow.

Mr. Heriot Clarkson returned to Charlotte last night.

Representative W. G. Pool, of Pasquotank, is in the city.

W. S. Clanton, a prominent Republican of Charlotte, is in the city.

Mr. Jack Hamil intends to go to Baltimore tomorrow for his health.

Mr. R. F. Park continues critically ill, and his condition today was not improved.

Superintendent John E. Ray left today for Warren county on business for the institution.

Superintendent O'Brien, of the Southern Railway, was here in his private car this morning.

Mr. W. A. Rogers and Miss Rosa B. Hood, both of Raleigh, were married in this city last night.

General Manager Watson, of the Pocahontas Coal Company, of Roanoke, Va., spent the morning in the city with Mr. Jesse Jones.

Sheriff J. M. Marshburn, of Sampson county, today brought a man named Faison to the State prison. Faison was convicted of manslaughter.

The Raleigh party returned from Pinehurst today and report that they had an excellent time. They all unite in singing the praises of Pinehurst and the accommodations there.

Mr. R. R. Lacy, ex-Judge James E. Shepherd and Capt. S. A. Ashe have returned from Charlotte, where they attended the meeting of the Carolina Benevolent Association.

Mr. C. W. McLean, a former merchant of Newbern, N. C., and who married Miss Nannie Daves, of that city, died in New York on yesterday and will be buried in Newbern this afternoon.

Maj. Graham Daves, who has been attending a meeting of the Society of the Cincinnati, was today called away from the city by the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. McLean, who died in New York last night.

Rev. J. R. Sawyer of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who was sent to the Rich Square Circuit the present conference year, has been transferred by Bishop Hargrove to California and stationed at Sanger.

The weekly prayer meeting at the Presbyterian Church will be held this week on Thursday night instead of Wednesday night. The last Thursday in February has been set apart as a day of special prayer for youth and for institutions of learning and will be observed throughout the South.

Now and then we are treated to a performance of rare merit and the recollection of the pleasure and enjoyment derived from witnessing such a performance is always agreeable. On Thursday evening, February 24th, Mr. Augustin Daly's comedy, "A Night Off" will be presented at the Metropolitan Opera House. This comes in a measure as a great treat, as it is acknowledged to be the best comedy ever produced at Mr. Daly's Theatre in New York, where it ran for over one hundred nights.

Rev. T. H. Bain desires to express his thanks to the ladies, assisted by the brethren, of the Epworth and Brooklyn churches, for the pounding they gave him last night. They visited his house in the night and, on departing, left behind them substantial evidences that they had been there. Mr. Bain is greatly loved by his congregations and this is one of the minor evidences of the fact.

TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers to the Telephone Exchange will please add to their list the following new names:

212-E—Spence, N. A., Wood Yard.
233-D—Green, O. D., Residence.
232-B—Baptist Book Store.
236-B—Busbee, C. M., Residence.
255-C—Sawyer, William, Butcher.
178-D—Betts, Rev. Alvin, Residence.
184-C—Sanderford, J. W., Grocer.
248-B—Park Hotel.
259-D—Chamberlain, A. L., Residence.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Third District—Tucker vs. Satterthwaite, argued by Jones and Boykin (and W. B. Rodman by brief) for the plaintiff; Jarvis and Blow and Bond and Fleming for defendant.

McGowan vs. McGowan (2 cases), argued by Swift Galloway and Jas. E. Moore by brief for the plaintiff; Thos. J. Jarvis and Bond and Fleming for defendant.

THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST OF THE "PRESS-VISITOR" IS INCREASING DAILY.