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SHORT PASSING EVENTS

TUESDAY.

Moses Neal, colored, at whose place of business on Queen street officers Rowe and Bryant found seventy-five half-pints of whiskey last Saturday afternoon, will be given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy this afternoon on a warrant charging him with retailing.

Within five minutes of the time when the term of superior court would have expired by limitation, the jury in the case of Coker vs. the Norfolk Southern railroad returned a verdict allowing the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$1,000 for the killing of Clete Coker, by the shoofly train one night last year.—Kin-ston Free Press, 27th.

Linus Sutton, a young white man, was given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy yesterday afternoon on two warrants; one charging him with disorderly conduct and the other with an assault on a white lady. He pled guilty in both cases and in the case of being disorderly was fined \$20 and the cost of the case and in the other he was placed under a bond of \$100 to await the development of the injuries received by the lady he attacked.

WEDNESDAY.

The scarcity of cotton on the local market is still very noticeable. The dealers say that in all probability but little more of the staple will be brought to market this season, the owners preferring to hold it over for higher prices.

Immense quantities of fertilizer is still being carried out of this city. Each day numbers of farmers living near the city come in with their wagons and return to their homes with 15 or 20 sacks of fertilizer. Large shipments are also made by freight.

There was an unusually large number of small boats in port yesterday. A visit to any of the local docks any day in the week will convince the skeptic that these small craft bring in to our merchants an immense amount of business from nearby towns. The majority of those in port yesterday had come in for cargoes of merchandise.

On Saturday, April 8th, the Board of Education of Craven county will meet in this city to discuss plans for making a petition for a farm life school in this county. Superintendent Brinson informed the writer yesterday afternoon that State Supt. Joyner would be present at this meeting. He also stated that it was more than probable that they would be successful in securing this school.

Today at noon Robert Jones, a stalwart negro will be given a hearing on a warrant charging him with an assault on an officer with a deadly weapon. Late Monday afternoon officer Bryan attempted to place Jones under arrest on a warrant charging him with being

disorderly. The negro resisted and the officer was compelled to use force in subduing him. During the melee he drew a revolver from his pocket and it is supposed attempted to shoot him as the cartridges showed that an attempt had been made to fire them.

THURSDAY.

The Craven County Board of Education will meet in Supt. Brinson's office next Monday morning. Every member is requested to be in attendance as many matters of importance are to be discussed.

Unusually large shipments of fish are passing through this city each day now enroute from Beaufort and Morehead City to towns west of this city. Few soft shell crabs are also being shipped from those points.

It will be of interest to many of our readers to know that Elizabeth City will soon have a postal savings bank. This is the second one of these banks to be established in this State and its progress will be watched with much interest.

Workmen were busily engaged yesterday in placing the roof on Mr. L. G. Daniels new brick stable on South Front street. This structure, when completed will be fire proof and one of the most modern buildings of its kind in this city.

Although that date is several weeks distant the Daughters of the Confederacy are making arrangements for an elaborate program to be rendered in this city on Memorial Day. On this occasion there is always a large number of visitors, especially old Veterans in the city and this year they will be delightfully entertained.

Only a few short weeks remain before the graded schools of this city will close for the summer. In the meantime the teachers of the various grades are making preparations for the beginning of the final examinations. Superintendent Craven stated a few days ago that the present term has been one of the most successful in every way in the history of the school.

BRIDGETON NEWS.

March 30th.—March has been very windy, we hope to have more pleasant weather soon.

Sunday passed off very pleasantly, the revival meeting came to a close with very much success. There were 7 additions to the Methodist church.

Miss Nellie Barker, of Stella came to visit her sister, Mrs. J. B. Morton on B street, last week and returned to her home today.

Misses Lillie Brinson, Edith Brinson and Nannie B. Brinson, of Reelboro, were in our town last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. Claude Daly, of Portsmouth, N. C., is visiting Mr. S. D. Parker on B street.

Mr. M. F. Pugh has gone up to Seven Springs for his health.

Miss Lillian Cahoon who has been visiting at the home of Mr. Miles Potter, on Bridge street for some time has returned to her home in Falmico Co.

The Junior Epworth League of the Bridgeton Methodist church, gave a social last night at the home of Mr. S. D. Parker on B street. They all had a very delightful time.

There will be a laymen's meeting at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, every body is invited to come out.

Miss Lou Bryan Bayless, who has been working at the Gaston hotel in New Bern for some time is home for a few days.

Mr. Frank Gray has been confined to his home for several days very sick. Hope he will soon recover.

The Senior Epworth League had a devotional meeting at the M. E. Church Tuesday night, which was enjoyed very much.

"GREY EYES."

GRAND DISPLAY OF MILLINERY

At J. M. Mitchell & Co's. Store Yesterday. Many Beautiful Hats on Display.

The glorious sunshine and the balmy air of yesterday was a fitting introduction of Spring time, and without the special incentive of a millinery opening would have been sufficient to cause the streets to be thronged with members of the female gender, therefore it was no wonder that J. M. Mitchell & Company, who had advertised "Spring Opening," had their store crowded all during the day with lovers of fashion, ready to look, admire and purchase the adorning graces that go to complete a successful and self-satisfying array.

Fashion is the dictator of all modern society, and from the leader to the lesser lights in the world of woman a style is an essential impossible to deny and the display of these garments and accessories of the brighter hues and the lighter weaves is hailed with delight after the long, tiresome Winter days when all wearables appear dismal compared to the airiness of Spring and Summer attire.

The entire store was attractively and artistically decorated with potted plants and foliage and the immense number of beautiful hats on display added greatly to the scene of splendor. To enumerate the shapes and styles of the various hats would consume columns of space and for that reason this is not done, but it is needless to say that a more extensive and medium priced line of millinery was never before displayed in this city.

"What is the prevailing style, and what colors will be most worn?" are the first words that the woman of fashion ask of the caterer to the whims and wishes of the gentle sex. Let it be understood that Helen Pink is the new color, in honor of the President's daughter, as was Alice blue in the days of prominence of Miss Alice Roosevelt. Alongside with this shade black and white stripes and dots are very popular.

The dry goods department of the store also came in for its share of the visitors' attention. Ready-to-wear suits were shown in a variety of patterns, the two-piece suits being of mohair and French serge of the soft light weave. These tailor made garments will of course be worn by a great many women who have come to regard them as an absolute necessity, but the new popular fancy is in the one piece dress of silk or cotton goods, with kimono three-quarter sleeves narrow skirts to the knee and belted to the ankles. The varieties are very extensive, and the most limited purse can be easily satisfied in some sort of pretty dress, for they are, in the most part, very inexpensive.

Taken as a whole yesterday's opening was one of the most successful ever held by this company and the result obtained was exceedingly satisfactory. During the day music was dispensed by an Italian Orchestra.

A DREADFUL SIGHT

to H. J. Barnum, of Freeville, N. Y., was the fever-sore that had plagued his life for years in spite of many remedies he tried. At last he used Bucklen's Arnica Salve and writes: "It has entirely healed with scarcely a scar left." Heals burns, boils, eczema, cuts, bruises, swellings, corns and piles like magic. Only 25c at all Dealers.

The Music Soothed Him.

In his book "My Life's Pilgrimage" Thomas Catling gives an interesting glimpse of Gladstone in the Midlothian campaign of 1880:

I happened to meet an organizer from Edinburgh, who told me that in a throes of that electoral fight Mr. Gladstone soothed and steadied himself with music. Having arranged a time for the organ practice, he was provided with a key, by means of which he could enter the church quite privately. Silently and alone he would sit in one of the pews with his forehead resting on his hands while the organist played over a number of familiar and impressive hymn tunes. The listener neither looked up nor spoke until the hour compelled him to move. Then, with a "Thank you," he passed out to throw himself again into the bustling political contest.

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MEXICAN PEACE PARTY MEET

Terms Agreed Upon Diaz to Retire Later. Troops to Remain For a Time.

San Antonio, Mex., March 30.—With peace in Mexico almost assured by action of President Diaz in forcing his cabinet to resign and promising himself later to relinquish his position. The party played by the United States in bringing about the end of the internecine strife is attracting much attention. There is every reason to believe the ultimatum from Taft and Wall Street taken to Mexico City by Senor Jose Yves Limantour, Mexican minister of finance, brought about the agreement of General Diaz to treat with the insurgents almost upon their own terms.

Today Ambassador De la Barra, the newly appointed minister of foreign affairs, reaches San Antonio on his way to Mexico City. He will be met here by Francisco I. Madero, Sr., and son, Alfonso Madero, father and brother respectively of Provisional President Madero. Together the three will journey to Monterrey, Mex. There, it is unofficially stated, they will be met by Minister Limantour and a party of peace commissioners already appointed by General Diaz. In Limantour's private car they will proceed to the City of Chihuahua, State of Chihuahua, in the center of insurrecto territory, where the peace negotiations will be entered into.

Francisco I. Madero, Jr., will enter Chihuahua and under a flag of truce will participate in the peace meetings. There is reason to believe that the peace negotiators will be formal, both the Diaz administration and Maderists having already agreed to terms upon which a pact will be signed.

The terms include the retirement of Vice-President Corral, the most obnoxious politician in Mexico, the passing of election reform laws by congress, which meets April 1, and a promise from Diaz later to turn over his office and permit a new election.

In the meantime it is believed the American army division, recruited to war strength and prepared at all times for field service, will be held in San Antonio, until Washington is assured that a lasting government is established and protection to foreign interests assured.

Should Elect Men Who Will Enforce Prohibition Law.

To the friends of temperance and good government.

The fact that North Carolina now has written upon her statute books laws, which prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor, lays the responsibility upon citizens and officers in every community to execute these laws. Let no one believe for one minute that the law less liquor traffic has a conscience that will lead them voluntarily to obey. The experience of all law-abiding communities teach us that it is necessary to use the strong arm of the law to compel obedience. The way the average citizen in our country enforces law is by electing officers, who stand for enforcement, and just at this time, I want to emphasize the necessity of citizens using their franchise in the election of the right sort of officers. It is not enough that we have good laws, we have good laws, we must have faithful and efficient officers to make these laws effective, and the making of the officer lies with.

During this spring, many towns and cities will be electing their officers, and now is the time for our temperance forces to be at work. See to it that such men are nominated and elected as will guarantee the execution of law. It is the duty of every citizen to give some time and attention to the matter of civil government, and it shows a lack of patriotism, if not selfishness, for men to be so wrapped up in personal or business affairs that they will not give some thought to the selection and election of men, who are to manage their local government.

If the enforcement of the prohibition law in your community is not what it ought to be, see that you use your in-

SCANDAL RECALLED BY FIRE

At Albany Capitol. Cost Greater Than the Capitol at Washington City.

Albany, N. Y., March 30th.—More money was wasted in the construction of the State Capitol at Albany than on any public structure in America. It was estimated when its construction was authorized by the legislature in 1863 that the building planned would cost about \$4,000,000. According to the State records for the fiscal year which ended September 30th, last, the total amount expended had been \$25,000,000, and the original plans had not been carried out.

The city of Albany is built upon several hills, and on the highest of these stands the building which was ruined yesterday. It is a gigantic structure of white granite, with red capped towers and crowns the pyramid of all of the other city buildings looming giganticly, no matter which way people enter the city.

Scandal has attended the progress of construction since the first shovelful of earth was turned over. Away back in 1879, when only \$9,500,000 had been spent, charges were made that much of this sum had been misapplied. A legislative investigation was held, but the only thing uncovered was that the work had been done on the day labor plan, and that many men had been carried on the payroll who had never seen the structure.

The ruined building is 300 feet north and south by 400 feet east and west, and with its portico covers 3 acres. The walls are 100 feet high from the water table. Its cost of more than \$25,000,000 has been sharply contrasted with the cost of the Capitol at Washington City, which covers more than five and a half acres and on which only \$11,725,478 was expended.

The first excavation of the building was started on Dec. 9th, 1867, and the first stone in the foundation was laid July 7th 1869.

The corner stone was laid on June 24, 1871.

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