

THE CITY.

CHURCH INTELLIGENCE.

Services will be held in the several churches in this city, to-morrow, as follows:

St. Thomas' Church (Catholic). Services at the usual hours—7 and 10 o'clock, A. M.; Vespers at 4 o'clock, P. M. Public Services at St. James' Church during Passion Week and Easter Tide. Easter, April 12. Morn'g Prayer 7 A.M. Evening Prayer 5 P.M.

St. John's Church (Episcopal). Divine services at 10 o'clock, A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday School at 10 o'clock, P. M. Baptist Church. Divine services at the City Hall, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., by Rev. A. Paul Repton.

First Presbyterian Church. Divine services at the usual hours, by Rev. H. L. Singleton. Front Street Church (Episcopal Methodist). Services at 10 A. M., and 7 P. M., by Rev. J. H. Dally. Sabbath School at 9 P. M. Fifth Street Church (Episcopal Methodist). Services at 10 o'clock, A. M., and 7 P. M., by Rev. S. D. Peeler. Sunday School, at 2 P. M. Seamen's Bethel. Services at the usual hours, by Rev. John N. Andrews.

MIDNIGHT COTTON QUOTATIONS. CHARLESTON, S. C.—Active and advancing; middling 30c; holders asking 31c. AUGUSTA, GA.—Very firm; middling 30c. BALTIMORE, Md.—Active at 29c. NEW YORK.—Active and higher at 31c. MOBILE, Ala.—Middling 31c.

NORTH CAROLINA BONDS. NEW YORK, April 11-591.

St. Peter's To-night.—It has been said "see Naples and die"; the same could as well be said of the grand appearance which St. Peter's church, in Rome, will present this evening. Madam Octavia Walton Le Vert, a lady of Mobile, and one of the most talented of our Southern women, about ten years ago spent two years in Europe. Upon her return to this country she gave to her countrymen two volumes of travels, one of which contains an account of the Holy Week in Rome, and from whose account of the ceremonies on Easter night we now quote. She says:

At sunset we drove in an open barouche to St. Peter's, and stopped just within the colonnades. An immense concourse of people, almost equal to the throng of the morning, was assembled in the Piazza. The carriages were drawn up in lines precisely as upon our race-courses in America. The mounted police, with drawn sabres, kept order over the movements of the crowd. A hoarse murmur, like the sound of a distant tractor, rose up from the dense mass of human beings. As twilight melted into darkness, along the front of the church, sprang up innumerable gleaming lights, until traced out in fire. This was the "silver" illumination. We gazed upon this for some time, in wonder and admiration, when the great bell of St. Peter's tolled—the hour of eight. At the first stroke a meteor, as though from the sky above, darted to the summit of the dome, and fixed itself upon the top of the cross; thence as quick as thought, swift as electricity, thousands and thousands of blazing fires flashed over the noble structure, along the graceful colonnades, around the statues, and beneath the arches. The waters of the fountains, catching the vivid radiance, fell like drops of liquid gold into the marble basins. Glorious was the spectacle—the miracle of beauty! It seemed some vision of enchantment—a cathedral of flame, whose perfect architecture was all revealed in glittering light. A slight wind caused the fires to waver to and fro, as though they were stars which had fallen from their sphere above, and were now trembling and fluttering in their new abode.

For hours we continued gazing upon this last illumination, styled the "golden"; then slowly disentangling our carriage from the multitudes around it, we wended our way to the Pincian hill. The view thence was but another and more glorious revelation of its wondrous grandeur. All around was deep darkness, save the dome of fire, which absolutely appeared built in the heavens. Oh! like a gorgeous dream, it seemed as though each moment it would vanish from our sight. Just above the luminous dome, the evening star was shining in the clear sky, almost eclipsed by the brilliant blaze below it. Most reluctantly did we leave the Pincian hill, and look our last upon the grand cathedral. Long after the midnight, I stole gently from my chamber, and climbed a terrace above our hotel, whence I could still behold the "temple of fire." Not one light was extinguished, and thus it blazed and glowed until morning came.

Headley says of this illumination that it requires six hundred men to accomplish it, and as the ascent of the dome is a very perilous undertaking, they all confess and receive absolution, before they ascend. Some idea may be formed of the size of the edifice, when it is said that half a dozen Trinity churches could be piled one upon another within its body, and the tops of Trinity would hardly touch the walls of the dome of St. Peter's.

On the occasion of the illumination one million lights are visible at the same moment.

EASTER.—This is the day upon which the Resurrection of Christ is celebrated throughout the Christian world, and in the churches of which the sermon and fasting and penance and prayer of the forty days has been ended, and where the joy of the known Resurrection fills all hearts.

It has been definitely ascertained and settled upon that this day is the actual anniversary of that event, as near indeed as the astronomical calculations of the year will allow it, and therefore it is sure that our Lord rose from the earth on this day, just one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight years ago.

The word Easter is probably derived from the old Teutonic feast of *oster* or *osten* which signifies *rising*, as all nature arises renewed in the spring. An old heathen feast was formerly held on this day, but it gave way to the new order of religious worship.—Easter-fires, Easter-eggs and many other customs and superstitions have all been derived from this old feast, which, as the celebration of the resurrection of nature, has been very appropriately succeeded by that which represents the Resurrection of nature's Lord.

The Roman Catholic and Protestant Episcopal churches of this city will not be behind others in their commemoration of the event. Yesterday scores of fair ladies, escorted by gallant gents, bearing in their arms huge baskets and pruning knives left for the woods. Nature was then shorn of her beauties and made to lend her tribute to greet the Glory of her Lord. The churches of these denominations will all be adorned to-day with the most beautiful of our Spring flowers.

QUARANTINE ORDERS.—General Canby has just issued, from Charleston, General Orders, relative to the quarantine of the different ports in this District. They are very nearly, if not exactly, similar to those in force last summer, and are to go into effect on the first of next month, (May). The two following paragraphs of this order contain all that is of general interest, the others being merely certain instructions for enforcing the quarantine: All vessels coming directly or indirectly from any place where cholera, yellow fever, ship fever (so-called), or any other infectious diseases existed at the time of their departure, or which shall have touched at any such place, and proceeded thence to any port in this district, or on board which, during the voyage, any case of the above mentioned diseases shall have occurred, shall be brought to, and shall await the visit of the Inspecting Quarantine Officer at the point designated for that purpose, and shall be subject to such quarantine or other rules and regulations as the Quarantine Officer may prescribe.

Any person who shall wilfully or knowingly violate, offend against, or disobey any of these orders or any orders of the Quarantine Officer, shall, upon conviction thereof, be imprisoned for a period not exceeding twelve months, and be fined in a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, or be subject to such other punishment as a Military Commission may direct, subject to the approval of the Commanding General, for each and every offence.

MAYOR'S COURT, Saturday, April 11.—A little more life than has been usual of late days was infused into this tribunal by the appearance of the large number of four criminals. A white man named Stephen Robinson, found drunk was fined \$10. Dallas Orrell, (white), and J. W. Watson, also white, were arrested for being drunk and for creating a disturbance. The former was fined \$5, and latter \$20, but afterwards remitted to \$10, on condition that he leave town by 10 o'clock this morning. A little colored boy named Henry Williams, charged with stealing, was turned over to the tender mercies of his sister which were immediately tendered by her to him and continued without intermission for a half hour.

A NEW ARRIVAL.—Quite a sensation was produced yesterday by the launching forth of a staunch and pretty little steam craft of only about 3 1/2 horse capacity which took on a few favored ones and then started off down the river on a trial trip. She is a trim little thing and was built at this place by Messrs. Colville & Taylor, contractors, for a company of gentlemen at Point Caswell, on Black River, between which place and this she is to run. The machinery was built here and was placed in position by Messrs. Hart & Bailey. The execution of the contract, we understand, is perfectly satisfactory to those for whom she was built. She is only 40 feet long by 7 deep.

OUR FRONT WORKS.—Just in front of this office the pavement has become the most notoriously bad among the many notoriously bad ones in Wilmington. For a man with a broken foot it is bad enough to be compelled to pass over it by daylight. How much worse is it when sometimes forty times of a dark night we are compelled to pick our way on our foot over the broken blocks. Property owners, who receive a fair equivalent for rent, should be made to keep this portion of their premises in repair.

REGISTRATION.—The Registration Lists were finally closed in this city yesterday, the result being for the day: White..... 57 Colored..... 67 Total..... 124 For the five days it stands: White..... 494 Colored..... 490 Total..... 984 Total majority for colored, 86.

FLYING KITES.—Little boys should not be allowed to fly their kites so high, so often, nor on so many of the principal thoroughfares. Horses sometimes become frightened and lives are endangered by just such things. There is an ordinance against this, and it should be enforced.

A GOOD IDEA.—Mr. George Z. French is having built across the ally just south of his Grocery Establishment on South Front street, a commodious office, in which to luxuriate and to labor during the coming heated term. The office is suspended across the ally from the second story of each building and, when finished, will prove to him of much convenience as well as comfort.

FOR SMITHVILLE.—The steamer Ida C. Potter will leave the dock foot of Market street on to-morrow, Monday morning at 7 o'clock, for Smithville. Returning will leave Smithville for the city at 4 1/2 P. M. of the same day.

Those desirous of hearing Col. Dockery speak will have an excellent opportunity for doing so.

BAR ROOMS TO BE CLOSED.—General Canby has ordered that all of the bar-rooms, or other places in this District where liquors are sold by the retail, shall be closed from 6 o'clock P. M., on the 20th inst., until 6 A. M. on the 24th inst. Severe penalties are attached, and the police and other officers are required to enforce its observance.

CRIMINAL COURT.—The Criminal Court for New Hanover, after an arduous session of the entire week closed its labors in this city yesterday. The summary of its action, although important, was yet not of enough general interest to be given here in detail.

STATE NEWS.

REVIVAL OF RELIGION.—A revival of religion has been commenced in the Baptist Church in Raleigh and with every prospect of much success.

A FAILURE.—An unsuccessful attempt was made last Sunday night to fire some of the out houses of Mr. G. B. Threadgill, Sheriff of Anson County, but it was frustrated.

SAILING ORDERS.—The U. S. Steamer Nangatauk, Capt. Rosse, which has for some days past been stationed at Newbern, was to have sailed for that place, under orders for New York to-day.

PROPOSED REMOVAL.—An endeavor is being made, but with how much of success we have been unable to learn, to remove the County seat of Anson County from Wadesboro to some other point. The Court House, it will be remembered, was lately burned.

FIRE IN WAKE COUNTY.—A very disastrous fire occurred in the lower part of Wake County last Saturday by which the elegant dwelling house with the kitchen attached, belonging to Mr. Simon Turner was destroyed. The furniture was all saved and beside the building, nothing but a few articles of clothing lost.

The Goldsboro News of yesterday says: "We were prevented from attending the Concert at the Female College, on Wednesday evening last, by indisposition. We learn, however that the young ladies acquitted themselves very handsomely, reflecting great credit upon their President, Prof. E. W. Adams, and the teachers who have charge of the music department."

AN AFFRAY.—Yesterday afternoon a white woman named Ellen Wright, went into the premises of a negro woman named Polly Lisbon, on — street, and asked for a drink of water, which was refused her, whereupon she took a glass and walking to the well, drew some. Some words then took place between them and the negro seizing a pitchfork, stuck it in the white woman's head several times, inflicting severe and dangerous wounds. The case is regarded by the Surgeon as quite critical.

COMMERCIAL. WILMINGTON MARKET. April 11. SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—270 casks sold at 55 cents. ROSIN.—1,522 bbls. sold at \$2 30 for strained; \$2 35 for No. 2, and \$5 35 for low pale. COTTON.—91 bales sold on a basis of 29c., for middling; 28c. for low middling. CRUDE TURPENTINE.—241 bbls. sold at \$5 25 for virgin, \$3 60 for soft, and \$2 15 for hard. TAR.—161 bbls. sold at \$2 10.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE. Arrived. April 11. Str North Carolina, Green, from Fayetteville, to Williams & Murchison, with 251 bbls rosin, 34 do spirits turpentine, 7 bales cotton, to Peter & Moore, Williams & Murchison. Schr Zicava, March from New York, to Kinder & Martin. Cleared. April 11. Steamship Mary Sanford, Moore, for New York, by World & Daniel. Steamship James A. Gary, Hall, for Baltimore, by Atkinson & Shepperson. Steamer North Carolina, Green, for Fayetteville, by Williams & Murchison. Steamer Orrell, Orrell, for Fayetteville, by A Johnson & Co. Schr ravillon, Parker, for Bucksport, Me, with 94,265 feet lumber, 55 bbls tar, 15 do pitch. Schr Francisco, Crowther, for Baltimore, by F W Kerchner, with 70,000 feet lumber, and 75 bbls rosin. Schr Maryland, Green, for Boston, by Harris & Howell, with 25 bbls spirits turpentine, 1,671 do rosin, 618 do tar.

TELEGRAPHIC.

MIDNIGHT DISPATCHES.

Congressional. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 11. House.—Retaining from impeachment adjourned. Senate.—The Senate continued the impeachment of the President. The matter was now discussed by the President's friends. The President's friends would like to see the charge of the War Office instead of possession of the War Office.

NEW YORK MARKETS. NEW YORK, April 11. FINANCIAL.—Gold \$1 38 1/2. Stocks active. Money 7 per cent. Bonds, old 111; new 97. Virginia sizes, 49 1/2. Tennessee sizes, 66. COMMERCIAL.—Flour more steady. Wheat from 1 to 2 cts. better. Corn 1 cent better. Pork dull—now mess \$20 17. Lard dull. Cotton decidedly firmer with good demand. Sales of 3,000 bales at 31 cents for uplands.

FROM GEORGIA. AUGUSTA, GA., April 11. In order that there may be fairness in the approaching election, Gen. Meade directs that the ballot box shall not be opened or votes be counted or any information of progress of the election be made until 5 o'clock, P. M., on 24th inst. select two men in character from opposite party, who shall be permitted to be present at the counting of ballots so as to witness and verify such counting.

FROM ALABAMA. MOBILE, Ala., April 11. In accordance with the request of the entire Georgia press it is announced that the annual meeting of the Southern Press Association appointed to be held at Columbus, Ga., on 24th inst. is postponed until the first Wednesday in May at the same place.

NEW YORK MARKETS. NEW YORK, April 11. FINANCIAL.—Gold, 138 1/2. Sterling, 97c. COMMERCIAL.—Cotton decidedly higher under active speculative demand. Sales of 7,500 bales at 31c. Flour a shade firmer and more doing. State, \$9 80@10 80. Wheat, 1@2c better. Corn 1/4c better. Pork firmer at \$27 80. Lard steady. Spirits Turpentine 65 1/2@66 cts. Freight unchanged.

By CABLE. From Europe. LONDON, April 11. Weather delightful and favorable for crops. PARIS, April 11. New Army Bill and other recent warlike measures create excitement and uneasiness throughout France. Marmurings are loud and unmistakable. Semi-officials are attempting to dispel measures. Constitution, La France, La Patrie and several other journals say editorially that these apparently vast preparations for war are the best pledge of peace.

Foreign Markets. FRANKFORT, April 11. BONDS 75 1/2@76 1/2. NOON DISPATCHES. CONGRESSIONAL. WASHINGTON, April 11. House.—Mr. Woodward introduced a bill to test the constitutionality of questionable acts of Congress referred to the Judiciary Committee. The act provides that the Attorney General shall bring any bill vetoed by the President on the ground of unconstitutionality, and passed over his veto, before the Supreme Court on figured issue, the decision of Supreme Court in such figured issue shall be valid.

From Canada. MONTREAL, April 11. Mrs. McGee, refuses to accept the address of condolence from St. Patrick's Society which she thinks the primary cause of her husband's murder. Three prisoners turned Queens evidence against Whelan, whose guilty is almost conclusively established.

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

MAILS CLOSE. Northern through & way mail 8:00 P. M. Daily, except Sunday. 4:00 P. M. Southern Mail 6:45 P. M. " W. C. and B. R. R. 8:00 P. M. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Fayetteville via Wagon, 8:00 P. M. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Smithville via Steam, 2:00 P. M., three times a week.

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MISCELLANEOUS. NOTICE. THE UNDERSIGNED OFFERS FOR SALE in large or small quantities, CYPRESS and JUNIPER Shingles, Sawed in a Workmanlike Manner. These SHINGLES are admitted by all who have used them to be BETTER AND CHEAPER than any in the market. It takes LESS NAILS, and LESS TIME to lay them. They make a BETTER ROOF, and require LESS PER SQUARE than any hand made shingles. Call, examine and judge for yourselves, at Mill foot of Castle Street. J. C MANN, Proprietor. jan 9 143-1f

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