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CITY ITEMS.

Let us have a—park.

Silver change is more plenty.

The telegraph wire will reach Charlotte direct from Wilmington in a few days.

The market has been awfully bare of of something to eat during the bad weather.

The Superior Court, Judge A. A. McKoy, commences its next term in this city on next Monday.

Somebody's duty is to have the wharves kept in proper repair. Some of the wharves look like they needed work on them. We call the attention of the city authorities to the fact.

The Wilmington Cotton Mills are progressing finely. It is expected that by the first of March it will be at work. The manufacture of cloth will be thoroughly tried; if it prospers we may look for plenty of cotton mills. No country can prosper without utilizing its labor.

Fifteen million of dollars spent in North Carolina annually, for whiskey would pay the State debt, build the sound railroad and support two public schools in every township in the State. Besides all this the people would be $2,000,000,000,000 better off. Try it, if you doubt.

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE ON SCHOOL.—Any christian who walks the streets of Wilmington and sees the number of school children leafing about, must be impressed with the stern necessity of some means to rid ourselves of the fearful nuisance. The profanity, vulgarity, impudence and filthiness of most of the boys is terrible.

The Cincinnati and Southern railway runs from Cincinnati to Chattanooga, Tenn, 340 miles. The first named city has subscribed *ten million dollars* to complete this important connection, and open up an outlet on the Atlantic ocean. Advertisement is now made for sale of one million of the bonds of the city of Cincinnati, making $3,700,000 of bonds offered up to this time. With proper effort, Wilmington can be made *the point* for this western trade.

At a recent sale in Philadelphia, (Dec. 16) $2,620,000, second mortgage 6 per cent. bonds of the Atlanta & Richmond Air Line Railway Company, guaranteed by the Richmond & Danville Company, brought *ten* cents on the dollar. Twenty thousand shares 8 per cent. preferred stock of the Atlanta & Richmond Air Line par value $100, sold for 7 cents per shore. Thirteen hundred shares Northwestern North Carolina, par value $100, sold for nine cents per share.

Cleveland Springs, Cleveland county, within two miles of Shelby, offers our citizens a charming summer retreat.—The waters are sulphur and iron, as good as can be found anywhere in the world. The fruit good and plenty. "The Carolina Railway" goes to Shelby, twelve hours from Wilmington, by day or night trains. What is wanted is a large hotel of capacity sufficient to accommodate 500 persons. The merchants of Wilmington can visit their families without loss of time and communicate with all the world by telegraph, which is very soon to be put up. Who goes for a mountain residence next summer?

ADRIAN & VOLLERS,—We desire to call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Messrs. Adrian & Vollers, wholesale grocers of this city. This is the oldest strictly wholesale grocery house in North Carolina, and one of the best. These gentlemen have been in every way successful, and the prime cause of their financial success has been the square manner in which they treat their customers—what they tell you can be relied on. They can sell low because they buy for cash, direct from the factors. Their meats they bring from western houses. Country merchants can do better purchasing goods of those gentlemen than they could from northern cities. We advise our up country friends to give Messrs. Adrian & Vollers a call and we are sure that they will continue business with them. They and their clerks are polite and attentive to their customers and spare no pains to please them.

The masquerade ball held at the City Hall on New Year's night was quite an enjoyable affair.

A colored man named Thomas Nichols was committed to jail last week in default of $200 bail, charged with having stolen a quantity of clothing from Toby Kelly and Henry James.

During the year ending December the 31st, 365 marriage licenses have been issued by the Register of Deeds for parties in the county of New Hanover. The marriage of colored persons having the preponderana of 29, 168 being issued to white couples and 197 to colored couples.

We have been informed by a gentleman who has just returned from Raleigh, that the colored people celebrated the emancipation proclamation on the 1st of January, by public speaking at "Metropolitan Hall," by Messrs. Ellison, Gorman and Lane. The meeting was presided over by C. T. Proctor Esq., and we understand much credit is due the chairman Mr. Proctor and Mr. H. H. Lane, for the success of the celebration.

A ST. LOUIS ADVERTISING AGENCY.—Mr. Geo. P. Rowell, of the widely known and justly popular advertising agency of G. P. Rowell & Co., of New York, has associated with himself Mr. Nelson Chesman in the carrying on of a General Advertising Agency at St. Louis. These gentlemen are of established reputation in that line and cannot fail to give entire satisfaction, and St. Louis may congratulate herself on the increased advertising facilities now within her limits.

We sincerely hope, now that Front street is paved with Belgian blocks, our city fathers will have Market street, from Front to Third street paved in the same manner. The improvement to property is very great—worth much more than its cost. Circulate the petition! We say some good names on it the other day. It is well to recollect that trade and traffic follows good pavements. In five years Wilmington will be a city of 50,000 people. Will these people go through mud and water to make their purchases, or walk over smooth and pleasant ways Now is the time to put down cheap pavement.—Laborers want work.

Harbormaster's report of the number of vessels arrived during the month of November, 1874:

Steamers,	16
Barques,	5
Brigs,	2
Schooners,	25
Total,	48

Aggregate tonnage, 18,182; aggregate foreign tonnage, 2,745.

The reports of the pilots of soundings on the Bars and Rips, at low water, are as follows:

Ball Head channel	10 feet 3 inches.
Western Bar	11 " 6 "
Rip	7 " 6 "
New Inlet	7 " 7 "
Rip	9 " 0 "

B. G. BATES, Harbor Master.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS—EXTRACT FROM THEIR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE WEEK.—A called meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held on Friday last at 3 o'clock: present, Jno. G. Wagner, Chairman *pro tem.*, and Commissioners Morris Van-Amringe and Nixon.

It was ordered that the Chairman appoint a committee of two from the Board to meet Saturday, January 9th, 1875, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the County Commissioners, to assist the County Treasurer in making settlement with the county officers, as required by law.

The Chairman apointed on this committee Commissioners VanAmringe and Morris.

The Board met in regular monthly session again on Monday, which was continued over to Tuesday.

The following applications were received and acted upon:

W. E. Cowan, for privilege of selling liquor; license granted. J. P. Biddle, for the same; granted. Application of Betsy Bowden, for assistance; granted. Application of Thomas Blanden, for assistance; granted. Wright Farren, for exemption from public duty, granted; J. H. Turner, for remission of double tax; referred to finance committee. Bill of Gowey Benson, tabled. Bill of Henry Hall, Clerk and Treasurer of Caswell township; referred back to trustees to be itemized.

H. E. Scott, Superintendent of the Poor House, reported the name of Dr. J. F. King as physician at that institution, in accordance with the requirement of the Board at last meeting.

I. H. Brown, constable of Holden township, presented his bond; received and ordered filed.

On application of D. O'Connor, standard keeper, it was ordered that the sum of $50 per year be allowed him to secure a convenient place to keep his weights and measures.

Application to build a bridge over Northeast river was referred.

Reports of Committee on Work House and Committee on Hospital and Poor House were received and ordered on file.

The County Treasurer's report for the month of December, 1874, was received and ordered on file.

Report of special committee on jail received and ordered on file.

Application of J. W McCallister for reduction of taxes granted.

Application of R. W. Collins and others to attach a portion of Lincoln township to Holden was referred to Commissioners Morris and Nixon to report at the next meeting of the Board.

Application to build a bridge over Northeast at Croom's Landing was referred to Commissioner on Roads and Bridges to report at next meeting.

EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION.—On the first day of January the colored people of this city, and many white gentlemen met together in front of the City Hall to show a proper respect to that day, it being the 11th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln. The weather was unfit for a street parade; but, notwithstanding that, there was a very respectable turnout. The line formed at 12 M., under the direction of the Chief Marshal, W. H. Moore, who appeared in his regalia like an old veteran whose headquarters had been for many years, like Sheridan's during the late war, in the saddle, the Rose Bud Band in front the three military companies of this city next, the colored firemen, then the carriages marched to Market street, down Market to Front street, down Front to Castle street, up Castle to Fifth street, up Fifth to Red Cross Church, where the Marshal disbanded the procession, and the Master of Ceremonies, James Heaton, Esq., conducted the crowd into the Church, and after prayer by the Pastor of the Church, Rev. Jas. Nichols, Mr. Heaton introduced Mr. G. W. Price, Jr., who read the Emancipation Proclamation. Then Mr. John H. Smythe came forward according to programme and read a poem written by Hon. Geo. Baker, title: "The Black Regiment." We do but simple justice when we say that it was the best read poem that it has ever been our pleasure to hear. Mr. Smythe has a full round musical voice, and he understood the task thoroughly. When Mr. Smythe finished the Master of Ceremonies introduced the orator of the day, Judge Ed. Cantwell. As we publish his speech on third page, in full, we will leave it for our readers to criticise as they see proper. At the end of the oration Rev. Geo. W. Price pronounced the benediction. The whole was one of the best celebrations that ever took place in this city; everything passed off, thanks to the Chief Marshal, perfectly satisfactory.

LITERARY.

"Godey's Lady's Book," offers some very fine premiums to their subscribers, all those who do not take it, should, for it is a very valuable fashion magazine. We quote from their January number the following: "Godey's Lady's Book offers to every Subscriber, whether single or in a club, who pays in advance for 1875, and remits direct to this office, a copy of "The Rescue," the handsomest Chromo ever offered by a publisher to his patrons. Encoraged by the success that has attended our premium feature the last two years, we have endeavored to secure for our subscribers for 1875 the best Chromos that Art could produce. We feel that in this we have succeeded, and can safely challenge the publishers of Europe or America to equal the beauty of them as premiums. Many of our amateur artists, to whom they have been submitted, pronounce them equal to the best oil paintings. "The Rescue," which is given to our advance-paying subscribers, is a copy of an original oil painting, and cannot be procured in any other manner than by subscribing to the magazine, as it is the property of the proprietor of the Lady's Book." Persons subscribing must send 15 cents to pay postage. Address L. A. Godey, N. E. Corner 6 and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, Pa."

The "Over Land Monthly" for January 1875 is on our table. It is one of the best magazines published west of the Mississppi, and ranks favorable with any in the United States The publishers promise to make it still more attractive the present year. They say: "For the future we can promise the services of an able corps of cotributors, who will maintain the reputation the Overland Monthly has established as an exponent of the Scenical Charms, the Unique Life and Character, and the Remarkable Resources of the Great West, in general, and of California in particular. We have made special arrangements with the popular writer, J. Ross Browne, author of "Yusef," etc. for a series of papers on the Resources of California, and upon other subjects pertaining to this coast. Brantz Mayer, well known in literature as the author of several large and valuable works on Mexican history and archæology, will contribute a number of original American Historical Papers. We shall continue to hear from John Muir and Stephen Powers, the former on Geological and the latter on Ethnological subjects. Charles Warren Stoddard will furnish a number of unique articles on studies abroad. Miss Coolbirth, the favorite Pacific poet, will continue to contribute exclusively to the Overland Dr. J. B. Stillman is still gathering notes on Climatology, which we hope to spread before our readers in the coming year. So also Henry Edwards, who is well known as an original and able explorer in the field of Entomology, and Jos. N. Dwinelle, Esq., will furnish articles on early Californian matters." Address John H. Carmon & Co., Washington street, San Francisco. Price $5 per annum or ten copies for $30.

[COMMUNICATED.]

BEAUFOTT, N. C., Jan. 1st.

A grand mass meeting was called on the 1st of January, at the colored Chapel, at 6:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of celebrating the emancipation proclamation. There was in attendance a very large audience, including some whites.

On motion of John E. Henry F. W. Gibble was called to the chair, and on motion John E. Henry was made Secretary; Rev. Mr. Pitts acting Chaplain.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Chaplain, after which Mr. J. A. Norwood favored the audience with music on the Organ, which was very good.

The Chairman called for the reading of the emancipation proclamation, which was done by John E. Henry

David Parker, Esq., was called on and delivered an address which was highly appreciated by the audience.—He spoke some time on the importance of education, and advised the colored people to educate their children. He told them without education they never could rise to any importance, and never would be fit to hold any position of trust.

G. W. Jerkins, Esq.. addressed the meeting in a manner which done credit to himself and race. He stands first among the colored people of Carteret county.

Mr. Silas Blount addressed the meeting; he told the colored people that they never could prosper unless they were temperate, and that intemperance would prevent the progress of the colored race. He spoke principally on temperance.

The meeting closed with remarks from Messrs, Thomas, Turner, Rumley and Rev. M. Pitts.

JOHN E. HENRY, Sec'y.

The message of the Mayor says the debt of the city of New York is $142,000,000, The expenses of the current year will be $37,000,000. He says wooden pavements are neither useful nor safe.

A boiler in the Warham Iron Works of Boston, bursted on Tuesday, killing one and wounded four persons.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Marshal Serrano has reached Bayonne.

The city debt of Boston, is $29,000,000.

A Catholic church in Boston was burned.

A Paris dispatch announces the death of Ledru Rollin.

Two centenarians have lately died in Columbia, S. C.

At London navigation and travel is much suspended by ice.

Two men were killed in San Francisco, by an explosion in a tunnel.

Judge Hardin, late Judge of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, is dead.

The Masons give the king of the Sandwich Islands a splendid reception.

There was a great loss of life by a colliery explosion recently in England.

Congress during the week past, has been engaged in the Louisiana troubles.

Prince Alfonso, son of ex-Queen Isabella has been proclaimed king of Spain.

Col. S. M. Moody, a prominent merchant of New Orleans, committed suicide last week.

The Beecher-Tilton case was called in New York on January the 4th, but Tilton was not ready.

Louisnana affairs are still muddled and the wires are daily thronged with news upon some new phase of the situation.

Most of the operatives in the Cornell watch factory in San Francisco, have struck against the employment of Chinese.

A notable feature of New Year receptions at the White House was a delegation of Mexican war veterans headed by Gov. Hebert.

A Medford telegram says the Skonegan Bank has recovered most of the securities stolen in October, but the bank officers refuse particulars.

The residence of Milo Ruggles at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, was burned Monday, and his mother, sister and sister's child burned to death and Mr. Ruggles fatally injured.

The New Hampshire Democratic State Convention met in Concord on Wednesday. It is one of the largest ever held there. Hiram R. Roberts was nominated for Governor.

A dispatch from Rotherham to London reports that 90 lives were lost by the colliery explosion at that place on Tuesday. This is probably an error as a former dispatch reports 8 killed.

Gen. Emory testified before the Congressional Investigating Committee yesterday, stating among other things that his troops were all ordered there before the election, by direction of Attorney General Williams, and that as far as he knows they were only used to preserve the peace.

On last Saturday night at Vicksburg, Miss., a white man his wife and two children, and also three negro boys, were murdered and their bodies consumed with the building. There is no clue to the murders.

Monday was a day of considerable trouble in Louisiana. Gen. P. Sheridan took charge of the State House, the legislature being in session and disbanded it. Cause alleged illegality in the election of representatives.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 4.—The Republicans had fifty-three members, the Democrats forty-nine. The Republicans admitted the Democratic contestants to seats on the floor of the House, upon a solemn pledge that they would not thurst themselves by force into their contested seats, but await the organization of the House. When they found themselves in the minority they bodly attempted revolution, forcibly driving the clerk from the platform before he finished calling the roll, seeing that if the roll-call was completed ex-Governor Hahn, who had the united support of the Republicans and two Democrats beside, would be elected Speaker. When a legal organization of the House was finally effected there were present the fifty-three acting with the Republicans and four others—a clear majority. The clerk resumed calling the roll where he was forcibly stopped, and Governor Hahn was elected Speaker. The Governor's message and a large number of vetoes were subsequently received. Wiltz and the other Democrats withdrew, Marr and others made incendiary speeches from a restaurant opposite, recommending the crowd to go back for their arms; then they would know what to do. The Senate organized with twenty-six members out of thirty-six.

"BIG INVENTION.—Lloyd, the famous map man, who made all the maps for General Grant and the Union army, certificates of which he published, has just invented a way of making a relief plate from steel so as to print Lloyd's Map of American Continent—showing from ocean to ocean—on an entire sheet of bank note paper, 40x50 inches large, on a lightning press, and colored, sized and varnished for the wall so as to stand washing and mailing anywhere in the world for 25 cents, or unvarnished for 10 cents. This map shows the whole United States and Territories in a group, from surveys to 1875, with a million places on it, such as towns, cities, villages, mountains, lakes, rivers, streams, gold mines, railway stations, &c. This map should be in every house. Send 25 cents to the Lloyd Map Company, Philadelphia, and you will get a copy by return mail."

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF MO.,
NEW ORLEANS, January 4—9 p. m.

General Order No. 1.

Under instructions from the President of the United States, communicated through the Adjutant General of the army, the undersigned hereby assumes control of the Department of the Gulf, consisting of the State of Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi, and the Gulf posts as far eastward and embracing Fort Jefferson and Key West, Florida, excluding the posts in Mobile bay, which will hereafter constitute one of the departments of the Military Division of Missouri.

P. H. SHERIDAN,
Lieutenant General U. S. A.

OFFICIAL DISPATCH TO THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

Gen. Sheridan has sent the following to Secretary Belknap:

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF MO.,
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 4.

Hon. W. W. Belknap, Secretary of War Washington, D. C.:

It is with deep regret that I have to announce to you the existence in this State of a spirit of defiance to all lawful authority and an insecurity of life which is hardly realized by the General Government or country at large. The lives of citizens have become so jeopardized that unless something is done to give protection to the people all security usually afforded by law will be overridden.

Defiance to laws and murder of individuals seems to be looked upon by the comunity here from a standpoint which gives impunity to all who choose to indulge in either, and the civil government appears powerless to punish, or even arrest. I have to-night assumed control over the Department of the Gulf.

P. H. SHERIDAN,
Lieutenant General.