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CITY.

Subscribers will please notice that all papers bearing the BLACK CROSS will be stopped unless payment is made.

Small—the Star.

Fresh water fish in abundance.

Weather delightful—72 in the shade.

Bald Head Light House was built in 1817 is a solid work.

Another change—the Star again from large to small-type.

The steamers will run their regular trips to the Camp Grounds to-day.

The height of hospitality—to give your bed to a friend and sleep in the cellar!

Gentlemen fond of the mode should seek those Turkish vests—found only at Munsions.

The river rose about three feet at Fayetteville, Thursday. No fear of a freshet at present.

A fine lot of young beef cattle, for our market, from Little River, S. C., arrived yesterday.

Second Quarterly Meeting Conference at Fifth Street Methodist church to-day. Rev. Dr. Closs, P. E.

Fort Caswell has a number of guns mounted, but the fort is so badly shattered as to need rebuilding.

Four steamers are running regularly to the Camp Ground. Lively times are expected there to-day.

Friday noon hail stones dropped in this city measuring fully four inches—not "six," as the Journal stated.

The public are notified of a picnic by our jolly "fire laddies" will be held at Hilton. See advertisement.

The S. S. Pioneer, with a large cargo of naval stores and cotton, left for Philadelphia, Friday, at 4 P. M.

The "Racer" is for sale, let all race down to Cronly & Morris' sale and bid for the fastest boat "down South."

The Cape Fear Social Circle, for the moral reformation of young ladies and gentlemen meets every Wednesday night.

The free school for whites at Smithville is doing very well, Miss Stewart has fully fifty scholars and the number is increasing.

The New Fibre company is about going into operation. The buildings are about completed and the raw material is arriving in large quantities.

All who love fine strawberries should remember that the "Excelsior" can be had at C. D. Myers', on Front street. Fresh, luscious and "excelsior!" What can be better!

Postmaster Brink has returned from Raleigh and gives cheering accounts of the union among all classes of Republicans in the middle and Western parts of the State.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—The Republicans of Grant Township will meet at Spring Branch on Monday, May 23d, 1870, to elect delegates to the County Convention which meets June 1st, 1870, at Wilmington.

The steamer Saragossa, Captain Hooper, from Savannah to Baltimore, broke down at sea, Friday, was taken in tow by steamer Tennessee at 5 o'clock, P. M., and towed to Ancon about six miles from the western bar. Capt. Hooper took a row boat and came to Smithville about 3:30 A. M., where he notified Capt. Usher, of the Revenue Cutter, of their condition. No tug being in port at Smithville, the W. H. Seward, Capt. Usher, put out to their assistance and brought them in to Smithville about 9 o'clock Saturday morning. Capt. Usher and his officers deserve great credit for their prompt answer to the appeal made by the Saragossa.

A SEA SIDE LINE.—The happy consummation of a sea side line of steamers to Smithville may not be reached this season, but we are convinced after a lengthy conversation with Captain Usher and Engineer Cain that the expense of running a steamer between here and Smithville has been vastly over estimated and that a good and substantial vessel can be purchased for a comparatively small sum and that a daily trip between Wilmington and Smithville could be made each evening after business hours returning in the morning. A vessel chartered for the season would pay finely, and the first man to fit up a good hotel or sea side house at Smithville will reap a rich harvest. Families from every part of the State would come here in summer did we have conveniences to get to the sea side.

SMITHVILLE BY THE SEA.—The good old seaside retreat of Smithville, or as it is called, "Smiffle," keeps as cool and shady as ever, and on our brief visit last week—we were received with open arms by those men of arms—the "Gallant Fourth Artillery" and such of the residents as we had the happiness of knowing. Many new arrivals are adding to the population and prosperity of the "ville"—thus we find Capt. Usher has taken quarters for the season at S., and Lieuts. Moore, Shoemaker and Mitchell have their families safely ensconced in the rural domains of the land of fish and sea breezes.

BOAT RACE, ETC.

Boat racing has received a quietus lately because of the disaster to the fair "Alice" owned by the Harnett Club and left in charge of the late 8th Infantry and handed over to Company "G," of the 4th Artillery. Poor "Alice" was "bursted" by a blow from a tornado, and like all her sex when badly damaged—is beyond repair. To comfort the "Harnett's" we have been assured that Lieut. Humphrey's crew "waxed" the boastful pilots before poor Alice went under—requiescat, &c.—"old girl." You did your duty and your light ribs now decorate the sands of "Smiffle!"

A sail—or race took place last week and "old Jeff" came to grief—no reflection on Jefferson D.

DECORATION DAY.—Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, Adjutant-General's Office, Washington, April 30, 1870.—General Orders, No. 8.—1. The annual ceremonies of "Memorial Day," which has been firmly established by national choice and consent, will take place on Monday, the 30th day of May.

II. All Departments, Districts, Posts and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, wherever dispersed throughout the land, will unite in such manner, and with such ceremonies for the proper observance of the day as may be best suited to each respective locality, and all organizations, communities and persons whose grateful aid, sympathy and prayers sustained us throughout the dark days of the Nation's peril, and those whose loyal, patriotic hearts beat in unison with our own, and who have heretofore or may hereafter join with us in the observance of this National Memorial Day, are hereby cordially invited to unite and are earnestly requested to lend their aid and assistance in strewing the pure garlands of Spring that come with votive memories of love and prayer, o'er the mounds that mark the country's altar, and fold in rest eternal our martyred dead.

This is the third public observance of a day which has become marked and national for this sacred occasion. Many are now missing from our ranks who were with us before. Time, with busy finger, counts the hours for all. "In the midst of life we are in death," and one by one our veterans are "mustered out" to join the Grand Army on high. Let this teach us that we should so live that when we too are gone, it can be said: "He was a citizen, a soldier, and comrade—without fear and without reproach."

III. It is desirable that the memorial services may be preserved, and Department and Post Commanders will forward direct to the Adjutant-General, at National Headquarters a record of such proceedings as may occur in each locality. Should the same appear in the press, or by pamphlet, a duplicate corrected copy is requested.

By order of JOHN A. LOGAN,
Commander-in-Chief.
WM. T. COLLINS,
Adjutant-General.
Official—HANSON E. WEAVER, Assistant Adjutant-General.

A SHARP TRICK.—A colored man bought a number of tickets of the N. O. R. & P. E. Agency, on Friday, and when the drawing

came off, not having time to go and see if they drew anything, sent another colored man, who returned and said that they drew nothing. Shortly afterwards, on examining his tickets he found one missing, and on going to the agency where he bought them, was told that they had paid the prize that his ticket drew.

The enterprising house of Topham & Co. have made additions to their stock and store. We advise all horsemen—yes and horsewomen—to seek the pleasant "hide-bound" retreat of the handsome member of the good old Washington house of Topham & Co. Look out for those diplomatic saddles, for leather heads.

BALD HEAD LIGHT.—Old Bald Head Light merely wants a keeper and a small appropriation to be a most valuable adjunct to our long neglected harbor. We learn that the proposed light at Middle Island will be hardly discernible by reason of mists, &c., whereas since the woods were removed from Bald Head no mist or fog obscures the light at that point.

THE PHILHARMONIC.—Those who have attended the concert given by the Philharmonic society will unite with us in saying that each concert evidently surpasses the other—showing certainly the progress of the members and faithfulness of teachers.

The cantata of Esther was rendered last Friday night for the third time and all who attended the representation—albeit they had witnessed the serene Cyrus and the madly Mordecai twice before—declare themselves perfectly satisfied, and hope the society will attempt some other and equally desirable musical *chef d'oeuvre*.

The ladies as usual covered themselves with glory, as well as notes of admiration, and the musical volunteers led by H. M. Barry, Esq., delighted the audience by choice rendering of the old time ballads.

Professor Grabau deserves great credit as well as the lady performers who assisted.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

SMITHVILLE, May 9, 1870.

At a meeting of the Republican party of Brunswick county, held at Smithville, and called by the Executive Committee of the party, through their Chairman, Hon. Edwin Legg, the following proceedings were had, namely: Delegates from all the Townships in the county being present except North West. William Brown was called to the Chair and stated the object of the meeting to be to elect delegates to the Lumberton Convention to be held on the 9th of June, 1870. Lewis A. Galloway was requested to act as Secretary of the meeting.

On motion, the Hon. Edwin Legg, of Smithville, and Rev. Julius Robinson, of Town Creek were elected delegates to the Lumberton Convention, and Lewis Galloway, of Smithville, and Smith of Town Creek, alternates.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted approving of the course of the Hon. O. H. Dockery, and instructing the delegates from this county to use all honorable exertions to secure his renomination to the position he has filled with so much honor to himself and benefit to his constituents.

Also, resolutions approving the acts of the Hon. Edwin Legg, Senator, and endorsing him as the first choice of the Republican party of Brunswick county for re-election.

A resolution was also unanimously adopted counselling unity in the Republican ranks, and disapproving of the factions course of certain Republicans, and particularly of the interference of E. M. Rosary, of New Hanover County, in the local affairs of Brunswick county, which in the opinion of this meeting tends only to the disorganization of the party for purely selfish purposes.

The meeting was addressed by the Hon. Edwin Legg, Lewis A. Galloway, Revs. Julius Robinson and Smith, of Town Creek, John W. Davis, William Brown, Grislett and Jones, of Lockwood's Folly, Mintz and Gause, of Shallote, Revs. Andrews and Long, of Waccamaw.

The most enthusiastic feeling prevailed among all present. The speakers were frequently interrupted with bursts of applause. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned until again called by the Chairman of the Executive Committee to nominate candidates for the county.

WILLIAM BROWN,
Chairman.
LEWIS A. GALLOWAY,
Secretary.

Republican Meeting in Richmond. RICHMOND, May 16, 1870.

Pursuant to notice, a large number of the Republican party of this county assembled at the Court House to-day, when the following proceedings were had:

On motion of Capt. H. G. King, Mr. Jas. W. O'Brien was called to the Chair and Mr. R. Terry requested to act as Secretary. The object of the meeting being briefly explained by the Chairman, it being for the

purpose of selecting delegates to represent us in the District Convention to assemble in Lumberton on 8th June proximo, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress.

On motion of Wm. R. Terry, a committee of six was appointed to suggest the names of suitable persons to act as delegates to said Convention. The committee retired and in a few moments returned without agreeing as to who should be appointed delegates when, on motion, the following gentlemen were appointed: Maj. R. T. Long, Robt. Fletcher, H. S. Wade, Washington Dockery and W. R. Terry.

The following resolution, offered by Wm. R. Terry, was on motion of Maj. R. T. Long, adopted with but one dissenting voice.

Resolved, That the course of our Representative in Congress, the Hon. O. H. Dockery meets with our hearty approbation, and the delegates appointed at this meeting to represent the county of Richmond in the District Nominating Convention to assemble in Lumberton on the 8th of June next, are hereby instructed to cast the vote of the county for his re-nomination to represent us in the Forty-Second Congress.

John A. Long, being disposed to bolt the Convention, made a few remarks, when the Hon. O. H. Dockery, being present, arose and in his usual happy and forcible style, gave a brief account of his stewardship and defined his position, which was received with the heartiest applause.

On motion, the proceedings of the meeting were ordered to be published in the Wilmington Post and Raleigh Standard and the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

JAS. W. O'BRIEN,
Chairman.
WM. R. TERRY,
Secretary.

EDITOR POST.—Many of my Republican friends have spoken and written to me to inform them, what representation the several Townships and Wards are entitled to in the June nominating Convention.

A satisfactory answer is difficult to arrive at. The County Committee ordered that the popular vote for Grant shall serve as a basis, and a delegate be allowed for every one hundred votes cast, and one for every fraction of a hundred over fifty. For instance: A township that polled one hundred and fifty-seven votes is entitled to two delegates, but if one hundred and forty-nine votes, only one delegate.

The popular vote for Grant, in the county, was three thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, therefore the Convention must be composed of forty delegates. Wilmington casted two thousand three hundred and one of the above votes, and the county one thousand six hundred and sixty-seven, which gives the county seventeen delegates and the city twenty-three.

The election for President was conducted under the old political division of the county, which creates a serious difficulty in arriving at the proper representation from the townships of Caswell, Franklin, Lincoln, Union, Columbia, Harnett and Grant, from the fact that the precincts of Lower Black River and Topssall were destroyed in the erection of townships. This matter must be adjusted by the County Executive Committee, and I will insist on the Chairman of the same to attend to the matter forthwith and inform the sub-committees.

The quota of the Wards requires the attention of the City Committee, by reason of the creation of a new Ward. The delegation from the townships not mentioned above are as follows: Federal Point, 1; Masonboro, 1; Cape Fear, 1; Holden, 3, and Holly, 1.

I desire to answer these inquiries thus publicly so as to call the attention of our Executive Committee to the fact that some adjustment must be made forthwith. I mention figures from memory—yet I am certain that I am correct.

Most respectfully,
S. V. LARKINS,
Wilmington May 14th, 1870.

SMITHVILLE, N. C., May 9, 1870.

MR. EDITOR:—I notice in the issue of the Wilmington Star of the 7th inst., that I am announced as a conservative candidate for re-election to the Senate, &c.

I pronounce the whole statement a falsehood, I am at present what I always have been, a Republican. As to the question of my announcing myself as a candidate, I will say—and I trust it may quiet the nerves of the Star's informant—that I expect to support the nominees of the County Convention, and to do what I can for the success of the Republican party in the county of Brunswick.

By publishing the above you will confer a great favor.

Yours respectfully,
E. LEGG.
TOWN CREEK, Brunswick Co., May 7, 1870.

I hereby certify that the meeting held at Town Creek was not a Convention of the Republican party; that the same was called without the authority of the Executive

Committee of the county; and is not considered valid or legal. Said meeting was almost entirely composed of men from North West, and the county at large was not represented. That the legal meeting of the Committee was held at Smithville, January 9th, 1870.

EDWARD W. TAYLOR,
of Town Creek.
E. LEGG,
Chairman Rep. County Com.
Solomon C. SMITH,
Secretary Rep. County Com.

STATE.

The wheat prospect in Guilford is fine.

They are to have a steamboat on the Dan river.

The clerks of Raleigh petition for uniform hours of closing the stores.

The Agricultural Society of Cumberland intend having a Fair next Fall.

A lot of eight acres, lying just outside of Hillsboro, was sold the other day for \$100 an acre.

The conductors on the North Carolina Railroad will be required to wear uniforms while on duty after the first of next month.

At a ball given in Augusta, Ga., at a railroad meeting, in a contest for beauty, the judges rendered their decision in favor of Miss A. McK., of Morganton.

The Newbern Baptist Sunday School celebrated its May Festival, with thanksgiving services at the church and an excursion down the river, on Thursday last.

A deaf and dumb colored woman, walking on the side of the track of the Chatham Railroad, last Thursday, was struck by the cow catcher on the engine of the down train, breaking her ankle.

A large pear orchard near Hillsboro, of upwards of four hundred trees, was destroyed in a single day; supposed to have been caused by the healthy flow of the sap being suddenly checked by the recent spells of cold weather.

The Cumberland County Agricultural Society organized last week for the ensuing year by electing the following officers: Maj. Jonathan Evans, President; Col. Wm. Alderman, K. J. Braddy, James Kirkpatrick, Thos. J. Curtis, and K. M. C. Williamson, Vice Presidents; A. A. McKethan, Treasurer; and John P. McLean, Secretary. The former Executive committee was continued.

From the Standard report of the proceedings of the Ladies' Memorial Association of Raleigh, for decorating the graves of the Confederate dead, we clip the following:

Gen. Ransom delivered one of the most eloquent and elegant addresses it has ever been our pleasure to hear. It was unexpected, and was so pronounced by hearers of every shade of political opinion, and from every section. His flights of fervid eloquence were soul stirring. We will not attempt a report of his speech. We hope to get a copy for publication at an early day.

The oration having been concluded, and an ode sung by the choir, the assemblage dispersed to strew flowers on the graves and thence to their homes.

Outside the cemetery and city, graceful tributes to the fallen brave were also given. Mr. C. B. Denson, of Hillsboro, N. C., presented Mrs. Selby, the President of the Association, with two beautiful shields which were used in ornamenting the entrance to the cemetery.

The flag on the capitol, by order of the Executive, was lowered at half mast.

Col. Frank, commanding the U. S. Garrison here, also lowered his flag to half mast at the same time, to evince his respect and that of his troops for the occasion.

The last of Commodore Perry's men died in Erie, Pa.

Two ladies preached from Boston pulpits last Sunday.

Demidoff sold the Sancy diamond in 1865 for \$100,000.

The "Recreative Roosters" is the name of a London Club.

Gov. Bullock has sued the Atlanta Convention.

An "anti-moustache movement" has been started in Boston.

Detroit has a "Detective, Collective and Protective Agency."

Fashion decrees that ladies' boots shall be laced—not buttoned.

Washington is renewing her efforts to secure a new opera house.

Bismarck's real disease is said to be very like our delirium tremens.

They sluce logs through a Minnesota dam at the rate of 1,500 a minute.

A \$20,000 soldiers' monument is to be erected in Charlestown, Mass.

New Albany is the champion opium eating village of the State of Illinois.

A Western paper quotes Sairy Gamp: "Drink fair Betsey, wotever you do."

At a recent sale of old coins in New York a one cent piece of 1800 brought \$30.

Rochester foundlings are provided with pairs of milk when left on door-steps.

The fashionable style of suicide now in New York is jumping off a ferry boat.

The Spanish troops in Cuba call the native bands supporting them "contra-guerillas."

Offenbach has written the music for a new fairy opera, of which the libretto is by Sardon.

Maine brags of one of its citizens who has grown a beard eighteen inches in twelve months.

Ruffians in Blunt county, Tenn., forcibly prevented a minister from preaching on Sunday.

At the burning of the ship Eli Whitney at Tahiti one million oranges were thrown overboard.

The Philadelphia contributions to the Richmond sufferers already amounts to over \$30,000.

Among the Romans the month of May was sacred to Apollo, and almost every day was a festival.

In the Pittsburgh Directory is to be found the name of "Johann Gottlieb Christ Knipfhausenstein."

A female artist on the piano, four years old is causing considerable wonder in Zurich Switzerland.

Galveston is sanguine of overcoming the commercial obstacle of its bar by tiding vessels over on caissons.

An anchor that belonged to Amerigo Vesputicus and bears his name is now one of the sights at Brussels.

Sixteen million bottles of champagne were produced in France last year, of which more than three fourths were exported.

A traveller writes home from Paris: The word I have stood most in need of since my arrival here is the French for "damn."

A gentleman on the Macon and Brunswick Railway lost his watch in the late accident while timing the breakneck engine.

Wives and Mothers. Only woman knows what women endure; and if there be any means of assuaging the distress of body and mind which so many thousands experience, day after day and week after week, with a fortitude which puts to shame the boastful courage of man, who will deny that so great a blessing to the sex should be found in every household? Millions of men have been benefited by its use, but among the feeble and sickly of the opposite gender, who, perhaps, need it most, its virtues are not so widely known. This foremost remedy of the age—this specific for every species of debility, general or local, constitutional or casual, is PLANTATION BITTERS. One right of woman, at least, will be conceded—the right to strengthening herself to sustain the ills of which the laws of nature have made her the unfortunate heir.

The acknowledged healthfulness, unrivaled flavor, delicacy, great convenience, and extraordinary cheapness of SEASIDE FRUIT, will always keep it in the foremost place among articles intended for a table-dessert.

POSTINGS.

Gold 114 1/2.

Pave the streets.

Love never grows old.

Opium eating is increasing.

White duck pants are sweet.

After the showers the flowers.

Gipsies are priggish Jersey hens.

The St. Paul Pioneer is twenty-one.

Cultivated conceit grows into insanity.

Nothing travels so quickly as scandal.

Parepa parepa the soul-stirring jewsharp.

The star alpaca braids are "lustproof."

They have had a snow storm in Vermont.

Iowa females object to waxed moustaches.

Down East fishermen report a fine run of mackerel.

Neither acids nor gases seem to affect nickel-plating.

One peculiarity of the Quinton tomatoes is "meanness."

The Jewish Talmud consists of twelve large folio volumes.

It ought to rain all through the week, according to custom.

Times are so hard in Wisconsin they live on chewing-gum.

The London Times finds something sublime about "Shoo Fly."

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