### GENERAL CITY NEWS.

County Commissioners. The Board of County Commissioners met yesterday pursuant to an adjournad session of the Board. Present, J. G. Wagner, Chairman, D. Nixon, D.

Holmes and S. Van Amringe. On application it was ordered that James Henry Jones be excused from working the public road on account of disability.

Sheriff Manning and Coroner Hewlett came before the Board and qualified according to the requirements of the law.

In consequence of the absence from the city of the sureties of Elijah Hewlett, County Treasurer, and of the Register of Deeds elect, they did not

The Board then took a recess until Juesday at 10 o'clock A. M., the 12th

The Norna Outrage Case. Mr. Alouis M. Norna, who declared that Nat Sampson had struck him at the guard room Saturday night when seeking information about a watch which had been stolen from him at Weldon, an account of which appeared in Sunday's CAPE FHAR, had Sampson up before the Mayor yesterday and the case came off. It was proved that Nat Sampson was down street on his beat at the time which Norna said he was struck. Norna's testimony was mixed and tangled, and the case was dismissed at his cost.

The Mayor ascertaining that Mr. Norna was selling bagatelle tables without a license fined him \$10.

#### Mayor's Court.

Fidel Bernouer, disorderly conduct fined \$10 and costs or 30 days on the strecte.

Louis Nixon, resisting police while in the discharge of his duty; fined \$25 and costs or 30 days on the streets. Annie J. Speight, drunk and disor-

derly; dismissed. N. G. Sampson, disorderly conduct;

dismissed at the prosecutor's cost. Scott Daniels, allowing his horse to go at large on the public streets; fined

\$10 and costs. Wm, Daniels, draying without a license; judgment suspended on pay-

ment of costs. Alouis M. Norna, drumming in the city without a license; fined \$10 and costs.

### A New Faper.

The Wilmington Amateur Publish ing Company will commence the publication, on or about the 15th inst., of semi-monthly paper, to be called the Sunny South. It is designed for boys and girls of all ages, and will doubtless prove a pleasant visitor to many firesides. Let it be encouraged.

For particulars, see our advertising columns this morning.

### Thermometrical.

The state of the thermometer at the various stations named below was obtained at the Signal office in this city, yesterday at 4:31 p. m.:

Augusta, 40; Charleston, 40; Galveston, 48; Jacksonville, Fla., 44; Mobile, 43; New Orleans, 43; Norfolk, 32; Savannah, 41; Wilmington, 36.

A correspondent alleges that a poor white woman was denied charity at the hands of the County Commissioners of this county because her husband voted the Democratic ticket. How charity has assumed the Devil's garb in these latter days!

See our marine column for some notice of an extraordinarily quick ocean

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#### MISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

Discussion-Subject : Meteorology.

This society had a most enjoyable and interesting meeting Monday night at St. James' school room. Besides the regular essay the discussions of the evening, to which it gave rise, were participated in by some fifteen or twenty of the gentlemen present, each of whom contributed something to the general amusement and instruction. Among other items of instruction we collected, and which have fortunately not escaped our recollection, we mention the following: Mr. Alex. Sprunt after complimenting the essayist regretted the omission of the name of Lieut Col. Reid of the Royal Engineers, author of a here last night. work on storms, in which he not only confirmed the views credited to Redfield, but proved his the ones by original investigations in the East and West Indies. Col. Reid was the first to announce as a fact, coming under his own observation, that in the Southern Hemisphere the storms revolved in a contrary direction to those in the Northern

He was also entitled to credit for the direction that ships, when obliged to ly to, should choose a particular that Hayes has carried the State tack to ly to on, according to the side of the path of the storm on which they were. This rule was of the highest ton. He said: "I do not h importance.

In reply to a question from Mr. Sprunt, Mr. Seyboth stated that little or no confidence was now placed in predictions of the weather, except those framed immediately before the event and time.

Mr. Jewett conceived that the science of electricity was still in its infancy. It would, doubtless, be applied in time to uses of which we have not at present the remotest conceptior.

Col. B. R. Moore remarked the omission of the name of Lieut. Maury him from the chair and the Edgefield in the essay. Mr. Maury had, among other things, compiled a series of sailing directions from charts prepared by him and sent over the world for that purpose.

Mr. Burr inquired the date fixed by the essayist for Redfield's theory concerning the progress and movement of out defving the Court. rotary storms, and said he would try and recollect the date of the conversation he had upon that subject with a young Wilmington officer named Boudinot, which he believed was prior in date to both Maury and Reid's speculations.

The essay itself was an able, elaborate and carefully prepared summary of leading facts and results obtained from the observations of the last fifteen or twenty years upon the subject of Meteorology, its history and present

At the close of his essay Mr. Seyboth was warmly complimented by many of the members and a vote of thanks was unanimously adopted.

A very amusing discussion arose in reply to a question from Dr. Wilson for information as to the meaning of the name Cape Fear.

Mr. Nutt stated that it had a social, as well as territorial, meaning. The settlers of the Cape Fear inhabited the country between the Pee Dee and the Neuse. It was probable that the Cape Fear included counties as far West as Orange, Stokes, Surry and Gilford, as well as Robeson and Onslow. A glance, at, the map would show that the valley of the Cape Fear covered a very large portion of the State.

Mr. Nutt said that there were three points in the early history of the Cape Fear, which were yet involved in obscurity. First, the precise date of the first settlement at the mouth of the river; second, the date of the settlement and extinction of the first New England colony at the same place; third, the particulars concerning the obstructions placed in the river by the Revolutionary authorities in 1775, to the invading fleet of Sir Peter Parker. These obstructions were erected by the Committee of Safety; fourth, the earliest date for the opening of New Inlet, and whether any such opening existed prior to these obstructions.

Mr. Burr was appointed to read the next essay. Subject, Local History. The Society adjourned to meet at Dr. Wilson's Lecture Rooms on the second Monday in January at 8 P. M.

Hotel Personals. PURCELL HOUSE .- Tuesday .- Joseph Herzberg, Albany; Peter Sanghlin, S. B. Taylor, Onslow county, N. C.; H. Moore and lady, A. Tiller, New York;

J. Tiller, Philadelphia. MANNING HOUSE .- Tuesday .- C. D. Raymond and lady, Atlanta; R. A. Johnson, Rockingham; P. T. Callahan, C. C. R. W.; G. Freena, Sand Hill; W. J. Calais, C. C. R. W.

### MORE TROOPS FOR WASHINGTON

#### LATEST FROM SOUTH CAROLINA

The House Committee to Leave for Columbia To-day-Arrival of Artillery at Washington.

Special Dispatch to the Cape Feur: WASHINGTON, Dec. 5-11 P. M .- to be known as

The House Committee will leave for THE SUNNY SOUTH. Columbia to-morrow night.

The reported movement of the South Carolina ritle clubs, was a subject of discussion at the Cabinet meeting

Three artiflery companies arrived State,

#### THE SITUATION.

Expelling the South Carolina Legislature.

From the Richmond State. COLUMBIA, Dec. 4.- For the la days it has become more and mo parent that the pressure of Carolina is to make her give u vote for Hayes. It is now a that if Hampton and other leads make speeches declaring their military interference shall be reon Thursday. The same prope was made by the Republicans to. Haves carried the State. I do that if you could get down to the lega votes Tilden carried it, by 10,000 majority. I would not make such a declaration to be President of the United States." I repeated my proposition for a fair count by the two Republicans on one side and Gordon and self on the other, and it was endorsed by Hamp-

ton, Gordon and Haskell, and declined. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 4. 2:15 P. M. Speaker Wallace, just now, was officially informed that one hundred State constables, armed, were in the State House, who were about to enter, backed by the United States troops, to expel members from the House. Carrying out our tried poilcy of avoiding bloodshed and collision with United States troops, the Democrats adjourned to Carolina Hall, where they are now in secret session. Mackey is under mandamus of the Supreme Court to deliver the vote for Governor to Wallace, and therefore cannot count the vote with-

#### REPUBLICAN DOUBTS.

Tilden the Man.

Washington, Dec. 3.—To-day statements were freely made by leading Republicans that Tilden would get at least a portion, if not the whole of the electoral vote of Louisiana. Some said that the Democratic party had got itself into the greatest panic of the age, and all for nothing; that Tilden was the handwriting on the wall, and that Tilden it would be. Whether these statements are intended as chaff, or whether it has been discovered at the eleventh hour that the contract to give the vote of Louisiana to Hayes is too big a one to carry out cannot be positively said at this writing. A gentleman here from New Orleans states that Gen. Anderson, of the returning board, remarked to him: "You people think you know what the returning board intend to do but some of you will be very much disappointed.

It is understood that in accordance with the advice of the National Democratic Committee the Democratic electors in the States of South Carolina, Louisiana and Florida will under any circumstances meet at their different | n these hard times. capitals on Wednesday next and cast their votes for Tilden and Hendricks, and send certified copies on to Wash-

### GENERAL SUMMARY.

The vote of Colorado is to be ob-

Mr. Platt D. Walker, of Rockingham, has removed to Charlotte and formed a law partnership with Maj.

The President stated in conversation with Mr. Hewitt that the vote of Louisiana was fraudulent and should

The New York Evening Post, Reublican, calls Gen. Ruger, of South Carolina fame, "Judge Ruger," and speaks of his "contradictory rulings."

Wednesday's Religious Services. Services will be held to-night at 71 o'clock at St. Paul's Lutheran church-Also at the Second Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock.

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### NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT application will be made to the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina,

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