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in order to give Mr. Keen a fair hance let him know if your paper is not delivered. In a day or two he, wil be perfectly familiar with the route.

#### Cases in the Supreme Court. The following cases in the Supreme

bourt were argued on Monday: State vs James Matthews, from Robeson county, on certiorari, was armed. Attorney General for the State and W. W. L. McKay for the defend-

State vs. Andy Winecroft, from Robeson county. Case argued. Attorney General for the State and W. W. L. McKay for the defendant.

John C. Heyer vs. Ned Beatty. from New Hanover county. Case argued. W. N. H. Smith and George V. Strong for the plaintiff and D. L. Russell for the defendant.

H. R. Kornegay, Administrator et al. vs. John D. Spicer-motion to dis-W. S. and D. J. Devane for the plaintiff and A. T. and J. London and Bushee & Bushee for the defendant. Judge Faircloth having been of counsel below, did not sit at the hearing of

#### Defunct Dorg.

If anyone finds his bull dog dead or ertally wounded on the pavement in front of his house, he must not get ad or use unbecoming language. The mine's sudden demise could not be elped, for a gentleman tells us he was assing by a house near one of the sburbs of the city, when an immense og sprang at him. He only had time defend himself from a furious onlaught by the immediate use of his stol. He is under the impression hat the dog was instantly killed. Beeving that people have no right to permit such furious and dangerous intes to run at large, he passed on athout pausing to inform the owner the accident or ascertaining the fate (the dog. There are too many nuretrained dogs in our city who "delight bark and bite." "Chain up your logs" if you wish to prolong their days fusefulness on this mundane sphere.

## Foreign Trade Facilities.

A gentleman of extended business erience tells us that the attention mariners is being directed toward lis fact: A direct line between Willagton and Liverpool and European orts south of Liverpool, affords the alest and pleasantest voyage across Atlantic, despite the dangers of North Carolina, coast and the sand ars in the mouth of the river. Some fthe reasons he gives are certain it . mences of the trade winds and gulf aream, the avoidance of floating icelargs which generally melt before they ome so far south.

We hope at no distant day, to see a stalar line of handsomely equipped sips and steamers plying between his port and Liverpool.

# A Thief Overtaken.

everal days since a negro boy named ge Lee went down to Mr. George ers' storecand said he had been sent et a demijohn of cider by Capt. J. Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Feb. 5. leggett in whose service he was. get the cider but Capt, Leggett er had a chance to taste it. On aner occasion the boy was sent to the doffice, and losing (?) the key got stmaster Brink to open the box for He then kept the mail, and did for several days, hoping to get bey from the letters. At last the was discovered, and yesterday boy was apprehended.

# Hotel Personals.

URCELL HOUSE-Wednesday-A. Bantt, C. L. Camp, H. P. Clark, Baldwin, Jr., New York; W. K. and lady. Hartford; R. J. Nixon, Sound; R. H. Boykin, Norfolk; Swanson, Liverpool; James An-Columbia; E. F. Thomas, Bal-

Horse-Wednesday-W. Robeson county; Paul Nich-Camberland; A. Rudman, New Scroggs, Monroe.

# WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 11, 1877. From the Legislative Proceedings. LEGISLATURE OF NORTH CAR- DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETINGS.

Mr. Bennett on Tuesday, requiring beef cattle brought to the city of Wilmington to be weighed, was referred to the committee on propositions and

In the Senate on Tuesday Mr. Standford moved to take from the table the bill introduced before the recess to incorporate the Laborers' Union and firmation of the Senate. . First Ward Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, of Wilmington, and refer to the committee on propositions and grievances. It was agreed to.

#### Cape Fear and People's Steamboat Company.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the stockbolders of the Cape Fear and People's Steamboat Company: Directors-B. G. Worth, D. G. Worth, A. A. McKethan, H. Vollers, F. W. Kerchner, President-F. W. Kerchner. Secretary and Treasurer-D. G. Worth. Agents at Fayetteville-J. A. Worth, J. B. Starr. Agents at Wilmington-Messrs. Worth & Worth.

#### THE COURTS.

New Hanover Superior Court. State vs. James Merritt, assault and battery; verdict. guilty.

jury out. Mayor's Court.

John Q. Sawyer, a seaman, drunk

and disorderly; fined \$2 and costs. The same for committing an assault

mis from Sampson county. Case ar- upon his captain; fined \$2 and costs.

### New Advertisements.

Jno. Rodenmayer, Baltimore, Md.-Interesting to artists, house-keepers, picture dealers, schools, &c.

Raleigh Observer-Special terms for 1877. Offer of standard works for subscriptions,

W. J. Mott-Fine beef, veal, pork,

### Thermometrical.

The state of the thermometer at the various stations named below was ob served at the signal office in this city at 4:30 p. m.:

Augusta, 42; Charleston, 40; Galveston. 50; Jacksonvillé, 46; Mobile, 38: New Orleans, 40; Norfolk 24; Savannah, 45; Wilmington, 32.

The old building on the corner of Third and Mulberry streets has been torn down. We hope it is to give place to a handsomer edifice; Its pointed roof sits like a miniature pyramid on its former site.

Preparations are going on for a masquerade ball to take place at the City Hall next Tuesday evening. It will be the first of the season.

We are glad to see that our friend Capt. G. S. Dudley has received the appointment of chief clerk in the State

Services will be held in the First Presbyterian and Fifth Street Methodist Churches this evening at 73

The drills of .the Wilmington Light Infantry will be every Thursday night, commencing with to-night.

## Wilmington District, NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE - FIRST

ROUND OF APPOINTMENTS FOR QUAR-TERLY MEETINGS AS MADE BY THE PRE-SIDING ELDER, REV. W. S. BLACK, FOR THE PRESENT CONFERENCE YEAR: Whiteville & Waccamaw Mis.

at Whiteville - . . . . . . . Bladen, at Deems' Chapel, Jan. 13, 14 " 20, 21 Elizabeth, at Elizabeth - - -Wilmington, Front Street - - Feb. 3, 4 Smithville, at Zion - - - -Clinton, at Clinton - - - -" 17, 18 Topsail, at Union - - - : . 24, 25 Cokesbury and Coharie Miss.,.

at Hall's -----Mar. 3, 4 Kenansville, at Kenansville, District Steward's meeting, at the Lecture Room of the Front Street Church,

## Postal Hours.

The mails close at the City Post-Office as follows: Northern through mails - - - 5:15 P. M. Northern through and way 7:00 A. M and routes supplied there-Southern mails for all points

South, daily 7:00 P. M. Western mails C. C. R'y, daily 6:00 A. M. Favetteville and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays Fayetteville by C. C. R'y, 1:00 P. M. daily (except Sundays) -6:00 A. M

Onslow C. H. and intermediate offices, every Friday -Smithville, daily ARRIVE.

Northern through mails - - 12:15 P. M. Northern through & way mails 8:00 P. M. Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Supply and Shallotte, every Friday at 6 A. M. Mails delivered from 6 A. M. to 7:00 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30

Stamp Office open from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 to 5:30 P. M. Register and Money order Departments open same as Stamp Office.

R. K. Bryan, Pender county; Stamp Office is closed. and night.

Twenty-Eighth Day. Condensed from the News. SENATE.

TURSDAY, Jan. 9. A message was received from the Governor announcing the appointment of Col. J. McLeod Turner as Keeper of the Capitol, and Sherwood Haywood as State Librarian, and asking the con-

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS. By Bennett: An act requiring beef cattle carried to the city of Wilmington to be weighed. Propositions and Griev-By Short: A bill to protect fish in

Waccamaw Lake and adjacent waters. Propositions and Grievances. By Thorne: A bill to be entitled an act to establish an industrial and educational school for the benefit of the colored children of both sexes in the State, to be known as the State Colored College of North Carolina. Order-

committee on Education. By Moore, col., of New Hanover: A bill to repeal char. 82, sec. 182, Battle's Revisal. Judiciary.

ed to be printed and referred to the

Stanford moved to take from the table the bill introduced before the recess to incorporate the Laborers' Union and the First Ward Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, of Wilmington, and refer to the committee on Propositions and Grievances. Agreed

Bill to abolish the July term of the State vs. James Bryant, larceny; Superior Court of Wayne county passed. THE SPECIAL ORDER

the bill to allow mechanics 60 days in which to file liens, with a substitute offered by Bingham, were, upon his motion, referred to the Judiciary commit-

Western North Carolina Railroad. [The Finance committee recommended by the people to the last extremity, that no appropriation be made to Cur- even should that extremity be an apthat no appropriation be made to Curtis H. Brogden, he having done noth. ing except make one trip to Greens boro; that R. F. Armfield be paid \$350 for valuable services in New York; that \$250 be paid to John L. Robinson, and \$100 each be paid John H. Dillard and W. N. H. Smith for legal services.] The resolution unanimously passed its second reading.

The clerk read the message of His Excellency the Governor announcing the appointment of Col. J. McLeod Turner as Keeper of the Capitol.

A second message from His Excellency was read, announcing the appointment of Sherwood Haywood as State Librarian.

The Senate confirmed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Wilsan, of Burke, presented a memorial from the National Board of Trade. Calendar.

Bunn, col., presented a petition from colored citizens of Edgecombe county, asking the Legislature to recommend a feasible plan for their early colonization somewhere in the limits of the United States. Calendar.

By Henderson; A bill to secure the owners of real estate a homestead in simple. Referred and ordered printed. By Henderson: A bill to require

clerks of all courts of record to keep indices and cross-indices of the names of parties to all causes in their counties, &c. Judiciary.

By McLean: A bill to protect the people of the State from incompetent physicians. Education. By Rowland: A bill to authorize the commissioners of Robeson county

to appoint a tax collector. Propositions and grievances.

By Harriss: A bill to amend the charter of Davidson College. Corpor-By Shackelford: A bill to amend

the charter of the New River Canal Company. Internal improvements. Resolution of inquiry relative to the impeachment of J. C. L. Harris, Solicitor of the 6th judicial district was

[The resolution raises a committee of 7 to investigate the charges of malfeasance and corruption in office made against Solicitor Harris and report the

facts in order, if they be true, that steps may be taken for his impeach-The resolution was adopted.

The Senate bill for the relief of sheriffs and tax collectors was taken up as the special order of the hour.

[The bill provides that all who have een sheriffs and tax collectors in the years 1872, '73, '74 and '75 may collect arrears of taxes for the years aforesaid under the restrictions imposed by law. ] The bill was further amended so as

to prevent sheriffs from collecting insolvent taxes already accredited to them, but empowering the county commissioners to provide for their collection. Passed its third reading and sent to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments. Graves, Henderson, Carter of Bun-

combe, Todd of Ashe, Cobb, Clarke of Craven and Duggan are the special committee appointed in the Harris impeachment matter. The bill to require the Secretary of

State to perfect grants of lands in certain counties and to empower the Register of Deeds to do the same was taken up. Judiciary.

The engrossed Senate amendments to the House bill for relief of tax-payers was concurred in. The petition from colored citizens of

Nash county relative to the colorization of their race was read and referred. Senate bill to prohibit the sale of Key Boxes accessible at all hours, day liquor on Sunday passed its several

# NOT SERVED BY

Columbts, Jan. 8 .- The Democratic Convention met at half-past twelve p. m., and was called to order by Mr. John G. Thompson. Mr. A. J. Warren, of Marietta, was chosen temporary president and made a brief speech clos ing by urging the Convention to sink partisan feeling so that the country might be benefited by their action. The usual committees were appointed, and that on permanent organization reported General Durbin Ward for

president, with twenty vice presidents. The following are the resolutions presented at the Convention by the Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions:-

First-That the government of the United States is republican in spirit as well as in form; it is a government of

law, not of arbitrary force; it is founded on universal suffrage, lawfully exercised, and its existence depends on good faith and sincere obedience to the laws. Second-That the votes cast on the 7th of November, and duly certified at the close of the election on that day by the officers authorized to receive and record them alone determined the result of the election held in any precinct,

county or State, and that whatever may be the returns, then duly tad properly certified, they cannot lawfully be changed by any officer authorized to canvass them and announce the result. Third-That while clear in the conviction that Samuel J. Tilden and Thos. A. Hendricks have received not only a large majority of the popular vote but a majority of the electoral vote and are therefore elected President and Vice President, we yet declare that any decision made by the Senate and House

of Representatives will be cheerfully CAPE FEAR MARKET acquiesced in by the whole people, and that any attempt to inaugurate a Pre-Resolution in relation to paying the sident simply upon a proclamation of expenses of the commissioners of the | the President of the Senate, will be an act of usurpation that will be resisted

> peal to arms. Fourth-That the impudent and unfounded charge that those who protest against the exercise of illegal and and arbitrary powers desire to foment strife and incite civil war is made by conspirators to withdraw the public mind from their own evil design to frustrate the sovereign will of the peo-

on the 7th of November last. Fifth-That we denounce the action of President Grant in following the example of the military chieftains of Mexico in interfering by armed force in the elections of the people, in preventing the lawful organization of State Legislatures and in massing troops at Washington with the apparent purpose of preventing the free action of Congress respecting the presidential election, which evinces a purpose to render the military independent of and superior to the civil power. OBSERVER, daily, will be mailed postpaid and calls for outspoken condemnation by every friend of republican govern-

Sixth-That the inauguration as President of a candidate rejected by the people and counted in by fraud is revolution, and, if acquiesced in, fatal to republican government.

Seventh-That the National Democratic Committee be requested to call a National Democratic Convention to meet at Washington city on the 12th of February, 1877.

After several speeches the resolutions were adopted.

# Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 8-Notwithstanding the extremely cold weather the Democratic State Convention held here to-day was very largely attended, every county in the State being represented. The chief features of the meeting were speeches by Hon. George W. Julian, Hon. B. W. Hanna and Hon, Dan. W. Voorhees, the reading of the report of the Committee on Resolutions and a resolution offered by Mr.

Voorhees at the close of his speech. The resolutions of the committee call upon Congress to provide a plan for counting the electoral vote: that the two houses alone have power to count and not the President of the Senate, and if the Senate shall claim such power for its presiding officer then calls on the House to exert all its constitutional powers to defeat such

The resolution of Mr. Voorhees, books above named will be forwarded by which was adopted with much ap- mail or express free of all charges.

Resolved, That a committees of five be appointed by the President of this Convention, to be known as a Committee of Correspondence and Public Safe. ty. The duties of said committee shall be to correspond with other similar committees and the leading men of other | TEN PER CENT. OF THE AMOUNT REMITTED. States for the purpose of bringing about harmony of opinion and concert of action in the present perilous condition of national affairs; also to consider the propriety of calling a national convention of the Democratic party, and to correspond with the different States in regard thereto. It shall also be the duty of said committee to consider and devise the best method by which the tion to the Congress of the United exceedingly liberal commission will fie States, wheather in writing or in person, in order that the public peace may be preserved, popular liberty maintained RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION-IN ADVANCE. and the laws upheld.

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