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FLOUR.

CONSULATE OF HAYTI.

GLASS WARE! GLASS WARE!!

FIRE INSURANCE.

RED ASH EGG COAL.

RAISINS, RAISINS.

SHIPPING ARTICLES.

OIL.

SAIL MAKING.

DAILY EXPECTED PER SCHOONER H. PRICE.

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THE Freight trains for Weldon, will hereafter leave on Monday's Wednesday's, and Friday's.

AXES, SOUTHERN MANUFACTURE.

BACON.

BRICK--BRICK.

CARDENAS MOLASSES.

FRESH BOSTON CRACKERS.

GLUE.

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EMPTY SPIRITS BARRELS.

200 SECOND HAND SPIRITS BARRELS, large size, in good order, for sale by DEROSSET & BROWN.

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BILLS OF LADING, &c.

RATES OF FREIGHT.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE CO.

SPIRIT BARRELS.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE.

THE STEAMER BROTHERS LINE.

GROCERIES.

PORK AND HAMS.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT.

Business Office W. & M. R. Road, JANUARY 27, 1852.

GEN'L. W. W. HARRLEE, President W. & M. Rail Road.

Sir:—I have the honor to submit, for the information of the Board of Directors, the Fourth Annual Report of this department.

The great demand for labor consequent upon the high prices of cotton and the prosecution of so many works of Internal Improvements in this and the adjoining States, has retarded the progress of the Graduation during the year. Owing to this cause the contract at the western terminus was abandoned early in the summer, and the work prosecuted and completed on Company's account.

Between the junction with the Camden Branch and Lynch's Creek the Graduation is finished and ready for the track, and from the latter point to the Pee Dee river Road, but few contracts remain uncompleted, and they are in such a state of forwardness as will not retard the laying of the rails.

A contract was entered into in June last, with a responsible Contractor to complete the work uncontracted for at that time, together with the unfinished and abandoned contracts between Brunswick river and the State Line. This work has progressed to my entire satisfaction and will be finished in time for the rails.

The refusal of the Court of Brunswick County, at its last term to grant the Company permission to construct their Road on or adjacent to the Causeway, and in accordance with instructions from the Board, I proceeded to make a new location over "Eagles" Island.

This line diverges from the old location at Station 67, and crosses the Brunswick River near the "Belvidere Dam," thence runs to a point in the North-west river, near the upper end of the Eagles tract of land owned by the Company, and thence it follows the River bank (and about 100 feet distant from it) down to the property purchased by Messrs. Nutt and Flanner and intended as the location for the terminal Station and the Repair and Workshops.

And in this connection I would remark, that I consider this the best and most advantageous location I have any knowledge of in the history of Rail Roads. While it does not materially increase the length of the Road, it avoids the possibility of endless litigation and law suits for damages to property on the public highway, and traverses so closely to the margin of the river for upwards of a mile, that freights can be transferred to and from ship to the cars with no more cost than to land on the wharf, and not the least consideration will be the value it will give to more than a mile of front, owned by the Company, and susceptible, for the most part, of being made up as comparatively small cost the most valuable wharf property in the vicinity of Wilmington. The location of the terminal Station, opposite to the centre of the town, will afford the greatest convenience to way travellers and the business of the town, and the time and cost of transportation from it to the Wilmington & Raleigh Rail Road Company's Depot will not be greater than from the most favorable point that could be selected on the western side of the Cape Fear River.

In addition to this the track can be extended, at a small cost, to a point opposite the lower end of the town, and thus give facilities to all parts of the town for the delivery of freight and its transportation directly across the river. This location dispenses with upwards of a mile of Grades road (which, however, is very light work), and requires the Graduation of the same distance from Brunswick River to its junction with the old line. To accomplish the latter work in the shortest time, I have withdrawn Lee & Co. from their contract and placed them and the hands hired on Company's account as it, and have no doubt it will be completed by the arrival of the rails and the necessary machinery to commence laying the track.

Between the State Line and the Cape Fear River, many of the Contractors are progressing with their contracts for Graduation, while others have temporarily suspended, and a few have not commenced operations. To those who have not commenced operations or who have suspended for such a length of time as to create the impression that they would ultimately abandon them, I have forwarded to each a copy of the order of the Board, (marked A) and refer the matter to your consideration.

Contracts have been made for the trestle timber and cross ties between Sumterville and Mars Bluff Turn out, and no doubt is entertained of their completion within the specified time.

The construction of the trestle work and bridges between Sumterville and Lynch's Creek, is being prosecuted with an energy that justifies the expectation of an early completion; indeed, I am of the opinion that forty miles of the Road adjoining the Camden Branch will be in operation in time to claim on the 1st July the last installment of the subscription of the State of South Carolina.

From Brunswick River to Fair Bluff, contracts have been made for most of the bridges and trestle work and a gang of Carpenters has been organized and commenced the construction. For the construction of the Pile Bridging over Eagles Island, Big Creek, and the White Marsh, I have ordered from the establishment of Messrs. Higham & Co., of Utica, New York, one of Cram's Patent Steam Pile Machines which will greatly facilitate the construction and reduce the cost of the work. This machine will be shipped from New York in a few days and will be put in operation immediately after its arrival.

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