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### LOCAL NEWS.

Cotton is dull at 71.

in red ink.

Rev. Dr. Huske will hold the services at St. Thomas' Church next Sunday at II A. M.

We publish to-day in our cotton report the United States Government report received by telegraph this morning.

Weather Predictions-Chief Moore, Washington, D. C., 11:30-Rain and cooler to-night and Tuesday. Gen. Thos. Gill, city, 10:30 o'clock-

To-morrow is St. Patrick's Day. There are many Irishmen, and men of Irish extraction and Irish sympathizers in this city, who will delight in wearing the green.

Fifteen young men went out to Hope Mills yesterday evening on the C. F. & Y. V. to return on the bicyle path. Some fast riding was done, but no records were broken.

The following members of our bar left this morning for Raleigh to argue important cases before the Supreme Court: Judge Buxton, Capt. N. W. Ray, Col. T. H. Sutton and N. A. Sinclair, Esq.

275 feet is now the depth at which the drill is hammering away in Mr. Burns's artesian well on Gillespie Street. Fifteen feet has been bored in the last rock and still the bottom has not been reached.

Hon. G. M. Rose leaves in morning for Asheville where he will appear on Thursday before Judge Simonton in the Federal Court as one of the counsel for the Receiver in the big C. F. & Y. V. Railroad

A large drove of wild geese passed over, or literally speaking, through the city yesterday. Numbers of them could have been easily felled with a gun. They made a pretty sight as they drilled past the city, forming into all sorts of fantastic shapes, accompanied by their strange calls.

The following Lumber Bridge boys rode into this city on bicycles yesterday: Messrs. J. A. and D. C. Currie, Ed. Clifton, Jno. Cobb, Jno. Shaw and John Johnson. They reported bad roads between here and Lumber Bridge, but seemed in

Wilmington must be in a remarkably prosperous condition compared with Fayetteville if we are to judge by the evidences her merchants put into print. There were seventy-one (71) new advertisements in her two morning papers yesterday; yet she has but three or four times the population of Fayetteville.

### Bladen County Court.

Judge L. L. Green and Solicitor Seawell went down on the boat this morning to Elizabethtown to hold Bladen county court.

### Fire in 71st.

Yesterday afternoon in 71st the woods caught fire and before the flames were checked considerable damage was done. One hundred posts and several thousand feet of lumber were burned on Mr. Herbert Lutterloh's land, which he has recently had cleared.

### Miss Mittie Matthews to Marry.

Miss Mittie Matthews will be married to Dr. Thos. F. Heebner in the First Baptist church of Pollsville, Pa., to-night at 8 o'clock. Miss Matthews, our readers will remember, has been a nurse in a hospital in Pennsylvania for some time. Her many friends here wish her a bright future.

### The Guerrant Meeting.

It is estimated, by competent judges, that 1500 people listened to Dr. Guerrant in the Armory last night. His subject was: Why am I a Christian? He then answered in a superb and convincing manner the three questions: Where did I come from? What am I? What am I here for? A magnificent sermon but indescribable was the general comment of his hearers. At one time the interest was so great that hardly a movement was heard in that vast audience.

The meeting opens promptly at 8 o'clock to-night.

### A 2nd Ward 'Possum Hunt.

Yesterday morning as a pious member of our county government was on his way to church, his dog treed a 'possum on Russell Street, and immediately the said pious gentleman forgot all about church and commenced hallooing and cutting divers gymnastic capers. He started for an axe, but remembered that he was in the city, skimmed up the tree instead and brought down a well grown 'possum. Who says that a city hath no charms? Think of the possibility of stepping out into the street in the morning, treeing a 'possum and then sitting down to 'possum and taters for dinner.

Shades of Tally and Leech, this reminds us of you. Many years ago Madison Leech made a great speech in this city and wound up by predicting wonderful prosperity for Fayetteville, on account of the coming of the railroads, the same as he had predicted for every town he had spoken in. At its conclusion Tally arose, and looking into a neighboring tree with a broad grin, said: She may be prosperous but I doubt it, for the time will come when a 'possum will be treed in that yonder tree. Although yesterday's 'possum was not caught in that tree, yet it was one very much like it and in the heart of the city too.

Dempsey Council was lodged in jail yesterday on the complaint of his wife, no way tired by their trip of sixteen miles. I charging him with abandonment.

### People and their Movements.

Mr. Nash Bunting is in the city. Capt. Jesse Kyle is better to-day.

Mr. S. H. McRae leaves for Raleigh to night via Weldon to attend the Supreme court.

We are glad to see Capt. Southerland out, looking none the worse for his severe

Rev. D. D. McBryde of Little River Academy, is attending the Guerrant meet-

Misses Beartrue Watson and Fannie Ledbetter, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ledbetter at Ecclesford have returned to the city.

Mr. M. L. Marley of Lumber Bridge is in town.

Congressman McLauren of South Carolina, familiarly called by his people, curly haired Jonny, spent yesterday in the city.

Every one will be glad to learn that Mrs. Dr. Haigh is rapidly recovering from her severe sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Slocomb and Mrs. Morrison of Dothan, Ala., are expected here to-morrow.

Mr. H. C. de Richards of New Jersey the managing owner of the Fayetteville water works is in the city.

Miss Francis H. Buxton left this morning for her home in Lenoir, to attend the marriage of her sister.

Capt. Underwood returned home Saturday. He is in very good spirits, not withstanding his recent serious accident. He only escaped, by his wonderful presence of mind, having his whole arm taken off.

## People Will Have Them.

The Syracuse Cycle Co., Syracuse, N. Y., make the following interesting statement: "The demand for Syracuse Bicycles in the metropolitan district is something phenomenal. It has gradually grown to such proportions that our metropolitan representative, Chas. J. Stebbins, was in a quandary as to how he would be able to secure Crimson Rims quick enough to supply the ever increasing demand. This matter was settled, however, by a wire to the Syracuse Cycle Co. on Feb. 25th, to the effect that he must have a carload by express at once. It is with considerable credit to the hustling propensities of this company, that within two days after receipt of this telegram, three hundred and twentyfive Crimson Rim Syracuse bicycles were loaded on an American Express car and shipped to New York. We are informed that this is the only car-load express shipment ever before made in this country. Special dispensation was granted by the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. to allow us to decorate the car with banners appropriately lettered.

"Keep Your Eye on the Crimson Rims."

HUSKE HARDWARE HOUSE.

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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS THIS DAY.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

### New York Cotton Market,

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
May,	7.50	7.54	7.18	7.54
August,	7.55	7.57	7.51	7.57
October,	7175	7.20	7.18	7.18
Sales to-d	ov /	THE SECTION		171.70

Rec't at all ports. Market closed steady.

	Last Week.	Last Year
Port receipts,	85,286	119,835
Since September 1st,	4,545,497	6,856,034
Port exports,	85,855	132,196
Since September 1st,	3,377,624	5,269,838
Port stocks,	801,919	949,993
Interior receipts,	42,593	87,982
Since September 1st,	3,259,902	5,115,614
Interior shipments,	69,308	101,850
Interior stocks,	384,268	388,860
Came into sight,	95,326	146,397
Since September 1st,	6,099,587	8,677,473
World's visible supply,	3,706,524	4,754,909
Of which American,	3,232,324	4,413,709

GOVERNMENT COTTON REPORT WIRED TO JOHN S. CHILES, BROKER, TO-DAY.

Railway and water movement, 5,235,722; stocks on plantation, in warehouse, &c., 106,878; bought by mills, &c., 44,981. The statements furnished the Department of Agriculture by all railway and water transportation companies show that from September 1st, 189, to February 10, 1896, the total movement of cotton from the States of production to ports, Northern and Western mills, Canada, Mexico and all other destinations, amounted to 5,935,722 commercial bales. Reports from the officiall of the mills show actual purchases during the came period amounting to 609,766 bales. The departments, township and precinct agents show that on Feb. 1st, 1896, there remained on plantations 252,163 bales; in warehouses, 358,744; public gins, 106,599; compresses, 171,352, and at depots and yards, 98,892; total, 987,748 bales, not including stocks held at ports. The crop by States is as follows: Movements from Alabama, 486,490 bales; remaining on plantations, in warehouses, &c., 106,878; bought by mills, 44,981; total, 638,349. From Arkansas, 365,-457, plantations, in the control of the cont 457; plantations, etc., 115,964; mills, 1,570; total, 482,991. From Florida, 32,712; plantations, etc., 3,103; total, 35,815. From Georgia, 777,632; plantations, etc., 153,855; total crop, including 40 bales produced in Utah, 6,788,507. From Mississippi, 787,136; plantations, 158,111, mills, 11,662; total, 956,909. From Missonri, 11,056; plantations, 558; 787,136; plantations, 158,111, mills, 11,662; total, 956,909. From Missouri, 11,056; plantations, 558; total, 11,614. From North Carolina, 155,616; plantations, 52,700; mills, 131,183; total, 339,499. From Oklahoma, 12,902; plantations, 701; total, 13,603. The mill purchases are as follows: Alabama, 44, 981; Arkansas, 1,579; Georgia, 143,386; Kentucky, 10,415; Louisiana, 7,439; Mississippi, 11,662; Missouri, 188; North Carolina, 131,748; South Carolina, 200,078; Tappassas, 16,464; Tayas, 5,751; Virginia,

220,078; Tennessee, 16,464; Texas, 5,751; Virginia, 16,084. Total, 609,766.

No deduction has been made of cotton on plantations and at interior points Sept. 1, 1895. The above figures are subject to revision in the department's

### Chicago Grain.

May Wheat,

### Liverpool Cotton.

Spots, 4.13-23; demand fair; prices favor buyers. Futures opened steady, 4.18-17 s. Demand moderate; closing at 4.14-15 s. Quiet and steady.

### New York Stocks.

Am. Sugar. Ref., Am. Tob. Co., Quotations furnished daily by John S. Chiles, Broker, Thornton Block, Fayetteville.

### SEE THE

Edison Kinetophone on exhibition at COOK'S DRUG STORE.

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