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LOCAL NEWS.

Weather Predictions—Chief Moore, Washington, D. C., 11:30 o'clock—Fair to-night and Saturday.

The Democratic Congressional convention of this District to elect delegates to the national convention is called to meet in Raleigh Thursday June 25th.

The day of the festive mosquito is near at hand. Already the characteristic bonfires of the inimitable small boy may be seen glimmering now and then on the streets about twilight.

Very few people of our city know what an extensive lumber business is being carried on by our bustling young townsmen, Messrs. W. L. Rankin & Bro. If you would see a busy place just visit their planing mill at any time of the day or night and see the "move" they get on lumber. They are working day and night to keep up with orders.

The "Sampson Big Blue" huckleberry is now in full blast, and judging from the great quantity passing through from the Wilmington division of C. F. & Y. V., the crop is abundant. The huckleberry is one of the very few fruits that cannot be cultivated. Our Divine Creator in his wise provision, has placed this fruit in reach of all classes and the recent demand for it at the north as a table delicacy, has placed it in the ranks as a standard marketable fruit.

Maj. A. M. Campbell Rapidly Sinking.

As we go to press we learn that Maj. W. F. Campbell has just received a message from his home on Rowan street, stating that his venerable and distinguished father was rapidly sinking.

Hotel Arrivals.

Julius Judah, Louisville, Ky.; Leak Smith, Maxton; F. Berckman, Hope Mills; J. N. Gillis, Southern Pines; W. J. McDiarmid, Manchester; Jacob Blum, Max Blumberg, Baltimore; H. G. Smith, Lynchburg; A. L. Smith, Lexington.

Put Your Name on Letters.

Postmaster Gaster informs us that he receives communications constantly from the Post Office Department at Washington, urging him to impress his customers with the importance of putting their name in the upper left hand corner of each letter they mail. Frequently people forget to put a stamp on an envelope, or fail to properly address, sometimes forgetting to address it at all, or in many cases the person to whom it is addressed cannot be found. Of course the letter eventually goes to the Dead Letter Office.

Honors for Fayetteville Girls.

Yesterday was Commencement Day at famous old St. Mary's. Four Fayetteville girls come home to us for the summer with honors—Misses Lillian Slocomb, Maude Haigh, Ellen and Bessie Underwood. Misses Lillian Slocomb and Maude Haigh are on the Honor Roll, a great distinction, Miss Ellen Underwood received first distinction in vocalism, and Miss Bessie Underwood first distinction in violin.

Claims on the Government.

Mr. H. McD. Robinson was engaged yesterday in taking evidence of witnesses in United States Government claim cases. Mr. Isaac F. Dortch of Goldsboro was present in the interest of the Government. These claims were allowed by Congress but vetoed by the President. They have been re-opened and the proceedings yesterday was to establish the loyalty to the Federal Government during the war of the claimants. It seems that this was the ground on which the President vetoed the bills.

Rev. Mr. McKelway.

Rev. A. J. McKelway returned Thursday from Jackson, Miss, whither he went at the request of the First Presbyterian Church of that city. Though Mr. McKelway was delighted with Jackson and her people, he has not decided yet whether he will accept the hearty call extended by the Presbyterians of the capital city of Mississippi. The Presbyterians of Fayetteville and citizens generally are very much adverse to losing this brilliant young preacher, and strenuous efforts will be made to induce him to remain.

Railroad Humblings.

On June 15, the daily local freight service between Fayetteville and Florence will be discontinued. Trains will run tri-weekly, leaving Fayetteville Fridays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 10:00 a. m.

Commencing June 14, the Southern Railway will inaugurate a new fast passenger service between Norfolk, Va., and Chattanooga, Tenn., operating over the Atlantic Coast Line via Selma, leaving Norfolk 10:05 a. m., daily and arriving at Chattanooga 8:20 a. m. next day. This train will run through solid without change.

A Splendid Troupe.

The following is a clipping from the Charlotte Observer in reference to the play which the Charlotte Dramatic Club will present here on Tuesday night the 16th, for the benefit of the Vance Memorial Fund:

"The Congressman" was presented last night to the largest house of the season. There was not a vacant seat up stairs or down. The play was fun from first to last. It is chock full of bright, witty lines and ludicrous situations, and last night's performance was presented with a degree of professional perfection never before equalled by an Amateur Club. The audience was wildly enthusiastic; it was yelling from first to last.

After the third act the whole caste was called before the curtain, while several times a player was recalled or the curtain rang up a second time.

It was a great show; the best the Dramatic Club has given. Every one came away enthusiastic over the play and the talent displayed by the home Club.

St. John's Chantry and Parish Rooms.

We learn that the contract for building the Chantry and Parish rooms for St. John's church, has been awarded to Messrs. R. P. Williams & Co., and that the work will begin to-morrow, (Saturday) and that all will be completed within 90 days.

The plans for this building were drawn by Messrs. Barber & Co., of Knoxville, Tenn., after sketches furnished by Mr. Silas McBee, the New York Architect. It is to be hoped that the spirit of improvement indicated by the work may soon extend into the interior of St. John's church itself including a centre aisle and new windows. When this is done there will not be a more beautiful church in the State than St. John's.

The Confederate Museum.

Mrs. J. A. Hodges, 205 East Franklin Street, Richmond, Va., is one of a committee in charge of the North Carolina room in the Museum.

Mr. B. R. Huske, of Huske Hardware House, is assisting Mrs. Hodges in collecting here and forwarding any relics of the war, such as swords, bayonets, guns, flags, &c.

Parties having articles they are willing to loan or donate will please tag them, putting their names and whether given or loaned on the tag.

As North Carolina furnished one-fifth of all the troops in the war it seems but proper that her people should make a creditable exhibit. There will be a grand reunion of Confederate veterans in Richmond in June, and there could be no better time for the exhibition of these relics.

Mr. G. W. Lake, of this city, while in Richmond recently, called on Mrs. Hodges and was surprised to learn from her that while Virginia's room in the Museum is being rapidly filled, North Carolina is making little progress towards filling hers.

700 Excursionists.

The picnic of the Methodist Sunday Schools of the city, at Red Springs yesterday was voted a grand success in every particular. The crowd in attendance was the largest that ever left Fayetteville, the number being not less than 700 instead of 350 as was first reported, so we are informed by a veteran excursionist. Not a single case of disorderly conduct was reported, and it was a subject of general remark that for such a large crowd the behavior could not have been improved upon.

A better place than Red Springs could not have been selected for an occasion of the kind, and right royally did young and old enjoy the day's outing at the delightful summer resort.

The Hotel Townsend, located near the springs, proved the centre of attraction, and in the cooling shade of its broad piazzas, on the grassy lawn in front, and under the shade of the spreading oaks which adorn and make beautiful the place, were to be seen men, women and children of every age and station, enjoying and disporting themselves as only people can on an occasion like this. The springs, too, did a lively business, though many of the little ones expressed disappointment because they (the Springs) were not "Red,"

as they had innocently supposed. At noon the table was spread at the springs, and all joined in partaking of old-fashioned picnic, the pleasure of the children being especially cared for.

Quite a number of cyclists went down with their wheels, and the long Bicycle parade, with 48 wheels in line, winding its sinuous length around the race course, formed an interesting feature of the occasion.

People and their Movements.

Miss Kate Lewis is quite sick with fever. Mrs. W. H. H. Wade, of Wade Station, is in the city to-day shopping.

Mrs. Jane Sholar and Miss Maggie Morgan are visiting Mrs. C. J. Ahearn.

Miss Janie McDiarmid, of Manchester, is visiting Miss Eliza Williams on Gillespie street.

Hon. I. F. Dortch, of Goldsboro, has been here two or three days on professional business.

Miss Eloise McDiarmid has returned from Norfolk where she has been attending school.

General Manager Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line, passed through to-day in his private car.

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