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Clyde Line—Sailing Days.  
Joe Williams—Root Black Stand.  
J. T. To'ar, A. G. Tolar—A Card.  
M. F. Crawford & Co.—It Whistled Itself.  
Cape Fear Dry Goods Company—Rugs and Remnants of Carpet.

The temperature yesterday was 88 maximum and 65 minimum.

**Weather Predictions**—Chief Moore, Washington, D. C., 10:30 o'clock. Fair, continued cool to-night and Wednesday.

**Bryan and Stevenson Club.**

The Club is called to meet at the Market House next Thursday night, September 20th, 1900, at 8:15 p. m. Permanent officers will be elected and other importance business transacted.

E. R. MACKETHAN,  
Temporary President.

L. B. HALE, Secretary.

**Police News.**

Julius Mayfield, colored, was committed to jail to-day to await trial on a charge of bastardy.

Deputy Sheriff Monaghan this morning arrested Walter Council, a colored boy, on a warrant charging him with an assault with a brick on John Dunn, also colored, last night. He was placed in the city prison to await trial.

**Local Briefs.**

Cross Creek Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., last night gave \$25 00 to the Galveston relief fund. A check for that amount will be forwarded to the Grand Secretary of the Order in Texas.

The Wilmington Star of this morning contains the following in its personal column: "Messrs E. E. Howell and J. A. Barnes, of Fayetteville, were arrivals at The Orton Sunday. S. M. Wetmore, Esq., after spending several days in the city in the interest of the patent on an invention recently made by himself, returned home yesterday."

**Hotel Arrivals.**

The following were registered at the LaFayette yesterday evening and this morning:

George A. Holderness, Tarboro; John S. McKee, Raleigh; W. S. Diffe, W. A. Underwood, J. E. Catlin, Greensboro; E. W. Grigg, Virginia; W. G. Cleapor, Atlantic Coast Line; Mrs A. H. McNeill, Carthage; L. H. Nixon, Charlotte; T. P. Harrall, South Carolina; E. H. Carter, Raleigh; J. C. Hunt, Baltimore; J. J. McLeod, Washington, D. C.; J. W. Edwards, Sanford; Sam Houston, Ohio; B. F. Bulard, Savannah; John O. Williams, C. E. Dewey, H. E. Dewey, New York.

**The Great Pennsylvania Coal Strike.**

**The Tie Up In Wyoming District Complete.**

**Cotton Goods Go Up.**

Police and River Pirates Have a Terrific Encounter—New York Brokers Assign—A Tug Boat Cut In Two—VonWalderssee at Hong Kong.

**New York Brokers Assign.**

By telegraph to the Observer.  
New York, September 18.—Hatch and Fcote, Bankers and Brokers, announced their assignment on the stock exchange today.

**Cotton Goods Go Up.**

By cable to the Observer.  
Glasgow, Sept. 18.—The rise in the value of raw cotton has affected all cotton products. A general rise in the price of cotton goods has been made here.

**Von Walderssee at Hong Kong.**

By cable to the Observer.  
Hong Kong, September 18h.—The German steamer Sachen, having aboard Field Marshal Count Von Walderssee, commander in-chief of the International forces has arrived here.

**Protecting Lord Salisbury.**

By cable to the Observer.  
London, September 18.—There was a large gathering of uniformed police and Scotland Yard detectives this morning at Kings Cross Roads station awaiting the arrival of Lord Salisbury from his country seat. It is reported that the premier received an anonymous letter at Hatfield of a character which caused an increase of police vigilance.

**Police and River Pirates Have a Terrific Encounter.**

By telegraph to the Observer.  
New York, September 18.—A Tug boat with fifteen harbor police had a terrific encounter early this morning on Staten Island below the B. & O. bridge with river pirates. Two pirates were drowned, five arrested and one seriously wounded.

**A Tug Cut in Two—Five Men Drowned.**

By telegraph to the Observer.  
New York, September 18.—The Tug America was run into and cut in two by the Atlantic transport liner Minnehaha this morning off Houston street. The men on the tug had not time even to cry out and five were drowned. One man who was saved believed the others were stunned.

**Another Imperial Decree.**

By cable to the Observer.  
London, September 18.—A Shanghai dispatch says that an imperial edict has been issued which sanctions the agreement of the viceroys with the consuls regarding the maintenance of order in the central and southern provinces. It also agrees that native christians who refrain from holding meetings and creating disturbances shall be treated impartially.

**The Coal Miners Strik.**

By telegraph to the Observer.  
Reading, September 18.—Reports up to noon from the Dauphin county line to Shamokin embracing all the Reading company's thirty eight collieries and a few of the Pennsylvania railroad collieries show some changes in the situation but no disorder. An attempt was made to resume this morning three collieries of the Reading but failed. Fewer men reported than yesterday. The company then announced that the three collieries would be closed down

indefinitely until after the strike is settled.

An attempt to start the Mineral and Union collieries at Shamokin this morning failed. The collieries at Treverton and Locust gap started as usual this morning. There are indications that the Reading company will have trouble today at the big collieries in Shenadosh and Mahanoy City. The strikers appear to have gained in the Reading district. Besides shutting down at Shamokin a meeting was held at Mahanoy City and the men determined to strike.

Seranton, September 18.—Today finds the strike situation among forty-three thousand miners in the Lackawanna region practically unchanged from yesterday, when a complete tie up of the region was reported.

**An Attempt to Burn a Mine.**

By telegraph to the Observer.  
Wilkesbarre, September 18.—Manager Nottingham of the Breaker mine today reports an attempt to burn the Breaker, the largest in the anthracite region, and a mile below Plymouth. The attempt was made early this morning by two unknown men. The engineer of the Breaker saw two men hanging around and warned them away. Shortly after midnight he saw them again and when he shouted they ran away.

The coal operators declared this morning that nearly sixty per cent. of the mine workers of the entire coal fields were at work.

**Galveston Relief Fund.**

Following are the contributions, through the OBSERVER, to the Galveston relief fund:

G. W. Lawrence,	1 keg of wine.
J. M. Lamb,	\$ 1 00
Bond & Kennedy,	1 00
Employees of B. & K.,	50
Cash,	1 00
Cash,	1 00

**RUGS and REMNANTS of CARPET.**

In order to make room for new line we are offering what we have at exceedingly low prices. Ask to see them.

**New Goods To-day:**

A full line of Boy's Heavy Ribbed Hose at 10 and 25 cts. All grades of Heavy Canton Flannels. Ask to see the many new effects in Cambridge Flannelette at 10 cts.

These goods are just as pretty as all-wool English Flannels.

Space too limited to begin to mention the many new goods received this week. Come and see them.

**CAPE FEAR DRY GOODS COMPANY.**

**FOR RENT AND SALE.**

My store on Hay street for rent on reasonable terms. Will sell all stock of goods on hand AT COST. This is a desirable and good place for first-class grocery store. Call and see me. MISS FANNIE SHEPHERD.

**"See Large Posters" for Big Sale of Merchandise AT THE BIG DEPARTMENT STORE.**

It is a lesson in economy, a louder call than we've ever made for your trade.

You can't come to this store without learning something to your surprise.

**Don't fail to read large Posters for our prices.**

We would put the "ad" in this paper but we haven't space enough.

"The Big Department Store."



We Are Making Room for Our

**Mammoth Fall Stock.**

We have on hand too much

**Fine Writing Paper**

and to close out we will, until this lot is disposed of, sell

Hurd's, Crane's, George F. Brown's, Addison's, Blair's, Calter's Whiting's

**And Royal Irish Linen.**

Best quality of Writing Paper, ruled or plain,

Price 15 and 20 cts. — OUR PRICE —

**10c per Quire.**

**GORHAM'S Book and Music House.**

**It Whistled Itself.**

That was the little boy's excuse when he whistled in school. Just so with our SECURITY SCHOOL SHOE for Children, Boys and Girls, Youths and Misses. They are selling themselves. People who haven't tried them don't know how good they are. For them this advertisement is meant. They are made to fit children's feet. They wear longer than any child's shoe we have ever seen. They keep children's feet dry and warm and prevent coughs, croup and colds.

We have a complete new line ready for fall and winter.

**M. F. Crawford & Co.**

**SOMETHING NEW.**

HERE IT IS:

**TALCUTINE,**

A delightfully soft TOILET POWDER—a favorite with refined people. Positively destroys odor of perspiration. Saves waists and dresses. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

See our new line of

**TOILET SOAPS,**

the daintiest and choicest on the market, and offered at a small advance on cost.

H. R. Horne & Sons.

**FRESH**

**LOWNEY'S**

(name on every piece)

**CHOCOLATE AND BON BONS**

in 1/2, 1 and 2 lb. packages

Only 60 Cents a Pound.

Also 10 and 15 cent packages at

**King Bro.'s Pharmacy,**

Hotel LaFayette Building.

**CHILDREN'S SHOES.**

Best Line in the City.

We have them in Vici Kid, Kangaroo, Calif. Box Calif, Dongola, Keel and Spring, Button and Lace.

FOR LADIES. The American Girl, is top notch in per-foot fit, style and wear.

FOR MEN. Ray State, J. B. Lewis, Rice & Hutchin, Smith & Stanton, Bostonian and W. W. W.

Any Shoe from \$2 up We fully guarantee. Any pair that fails to give satisfaction we replace.

**HOLLINGSWORTH & CO. ROYAL TAILORS.**