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LOCAL NEWS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. B. Cox—Skating rink.
W. F. Rountree—Groceries, etc.

Journal Miniature Almanac.

Sun rises, 6:06 Length of day,
Sun sets, 5:27 11 hours, 21 minutes.
Moon sets at 6:10 p. m.

Fred Perry has come.

Mr. W. F. Rountree's store is undergoing repairs.

The District Conference of the A. M. E. Zion church assembled in Andrew Chapel on Wednesday. Thirty-two ministers and five lay delegates were in attendance. They are well cared for by the brethren in the city, and are working hard to complete its business. The body is presided over by elder H. C. Phillips with elder A. D. Smyre secretary. To-day the delegates to the annual Conference will be elected.

Snow Hill is evidently booming in naval importance, judging by the items in the JOURNAL of Thursday wherein a schooner arrived from Wilmington and one cleared for New Berne. This was a Swansboro item, and was inserted in Snow Hill items by mistake. And the mistake is not so very far out of the way, for we learn that three different steamers are being built to run to Snow Hill. The steamboat business is evidently growing faster than the demand.

The Cutting Case.

The case of Mr. Berry Scott for cutting the darkey's throat, near Trenton, was up before Esquire Macon Foscoe yesterday for a hearing. Mr. L. J. Moore, who is just back from Trenton, says the evidence brought out shows that Mr. Scott was perfectly justifiable in the cutting—it being done in self defense. It is thought the darkey will recover.

Cotton Yard.

The Cotton Exchange platform is being erected, but Wednesday's ugly rainy weather showed that it will be incomplete unless covered, or partly so at least. The JOURNAL has been taking up for the Exchange on the ground that it was furnishing conveniences for the farmer. But here is a plain case where certain conveniences are needed, and the Exchange will do well to take the matter in consideration.

River and Marine.

The steamer *Stout* arrived from Baltimore yesterday evening and is loading with cotton at the railroad wharf.

The *Cutler* arrived from Vanceboro with 26 bales of cotton yesterday evening.

The *Tiger Lily* will sail this morning for Bay River and Hyde county after the arrival of the *Shenandoah*. Freighters received up to the hour of sailing.

The steamer *Neuse* arrived from up Neuse last night with 22 bales of cotton.

The steamer *Contentnea* arrived last night from up Neuse with 45 bales of cotton.

Cotton Yesterday.

One hundred and thirty four bales changed hands at the Exchange yesterday, the best bringing 10¢, and the day closed with a slight decline. New York spots went up, but futures dropped several points, with the market "barely steady."

NEW YORK MARKET, SPOT:

Middling 11¢.
Strict low middling 11¢.
Low middling 11-16.

NEW YORK FUTURES:

| | Morning. | Noon. | Evening. |
|-----------|----------|-------|----------|
| October, | 11.13 | 11.07 | 11.10 |
| November, | 10.93 | 10.89 | 10.91 |
| December, | 10.91 | 10.87 | 10.89 |
| January, | 10.86 | 10.93 | 10.95 |

LIVERPOOL SPOTS:

October, 6 22-64.
November, 6 17-64.
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Iron Fence.

The Masons of the city have subscribed \$450 to build an iron fence in front of the New Berne Theatre. This will be a handsome improvement, and the Masons deserve the sole credit for it, having asked contributions from none outside their own order.

And the "iron fence" question brings up another case—the Academy Green. This is unenclosed and the Trustees have no money to spare for that purpose. They have inquired into the matter and find that a neat wire fence with cedar posts can be put up, for \$200. Three of the Trustees have signified their willingness to give ten dollars each to raise this sum, provided seventeen others will join them. It is a small amount and ought to be raised easily. Those wishing to aid in getting the fence can give in their names to Messrs. George Allen, Alex. Miller or N. S. Richardson.

PRELIMINARY TRIAL.

Of Ben. Hill, col., charged with murdering his wife.

On yesterday the preliminary trial for Ben. Hill, col., charged with murdering his wife on the night of the 23d of September, was held at the court house by W. G. Brinson, Esq., Ex-Judge W. J. Clarke appeared for the prisoner—no counsel for the State. We give below the testimony for the State.

The first witness examined was

DR. H. G. BATES.

I am coroner of the county; held an inquest over the body of a woman about the 25th of September. Summoned a jury; examined 16 or 18 witnesses. I first saw the woman lying in a boat. Empaneled the jury, and proceeded with examination. At first discovered no marks about her. Degan the examination of witnesses. One testified that she thought it was a certain woman, and if it was a wound would be found in the right thigh. We went and examined and found it as she stated. I think she said the name was Eliza Williams or Fannie Williams; there were several names given. We examined and found as described; further examination showed that she was choked to death.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

What was the finding of the jury? Did they give the name of the corpse? I don't think they did. Examined throat; there were marks of finger nails. (Verdict of jury produced; showed that she was called Fannie Williams.) The body had evidently been in the water—not much longer than a day—very hard to tell exactly how long; body was stiff. There was a wound upon her forehead, which had blood in it; can't tell whether it was a blow or a fall. I judge from the marks upon the body that foul play had been used in the death of the person.

RE-DIRECT.

Saw no signs of any struggle near the place. One witness, Levi Dunn, stated to the jury that he saw the body under the foot of the bridge, and helped to put her in the boat.

JOSEPH DEES.

I saw the corpse of this woman; first saw it in the water; water about knee deep; helped to take her out; did not know her.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Some women ran over to the house where I was, about a quarter from the bridge, and told me to come and help take the body out of the water—on Sunday late in the evening. Levi Dunn was with me; he took her up and put her in the boat. We left the body there; the canoe was drawn up to the bank of the creek; didn't examine the body.

EZEKIEL WILLIAMS.

Saw the corpse; was present at the inquest; it was Lizzie Hill; I buried her. She was the wife of Ben. Hill; there was a mark on her right thigh by which I could identify the body. I saw the scar about a week before she was killed. I swear positively that it was the body of Lizzie Hill. Ben. Hill came by my house on Saturday morning just before day; I live about three miles from the bridge, on this side; Hill was coming towards New Berne.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

I have been knowing Lizzie Hill for about two years; knew her well; she belonged to the same church I do; lived about four miles from her; don't know how old she was; guess she was 25 or 30; tolerably dark, small woman; don't remember ever seeing her wear earrings; I think she was killed about Saturday night; finger prints on her throat and a wound on the forehead; resembled a blow as if done with some hard substance; had on a dark calico dress and dark basque; no bonnet, no shoes; had seen her wearing the same dress before, about a week previous to her death.

RE-DIRECT.

Ben. Hill passed my house between midnight and day; had a tin bucket, tolerably large one; had no conversation with him; was right at him, as near as I am to you; but he did not see me.

Why did you not talk with him? I was watching my cotton. I don't talk to people when I am watching my cotton unless they go in the patch. I don't remember whether the moon was down or not. It was light enough for me to know him. He was walking tolerably fast.

JAMES BLACKMAN.

I am well acquainted with Ben Hill—also knew his wife—remember the time when the woman was drowned at Bachelor's Creek. Saw Ben Hill and his wife on Wednesday morning previous to the drowning at Patience Campton, one mile this side of Swift Creek bridge called there to stay all night Tuesday evening; said they were going to pick cotton; Hill had a large tin bucket.

ALFRED GATLIN.

I am a ferryman at Street's ferry; it is on the public road that leads from New Berne to Washington. A man and woman crossed the ferry on Saturday evening the 23d of Sept.; it was dark—colored man and woman—he talked very short to her and after crossing told her to pay me. Heard them talking some very unpleasant talk but didn't pay much attention to it. The man had a tin bucket.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

It was right smart dark there—three miles from Bachelor's Creek to the ferry. They were coming towards New Berne. In coming to New Berne they have to cross Bachelor's Creek bridge.

FRANK RASHBERRY.

I don't remember the day of the month of the inquest; remember the day of the week; it was Monday. I met a man and woman on Saturday night at 8 or 9 o'clock at Mr. Weatherly's, one mile from Bachelor's Creek; I didn't know them; the man had a bucket on his arm and appeared to have a bundle on his back. After I got home I heard three women; I had just lay down on

the bed. I live about two miles from the bridge; saw the corpse; didn't go down to it before Monday morning.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

It wasn't a very dark night, star light, and I think the moon was just rising.

MARTIN LAWSON.

I use to know Ben Hill, don't know him now; I was on the road going from New Berne on Saturday night before the woman was drowned; met a man and woman about an hour in the night about 1½ miles this side of the Ferry; the man had a tin bucket on his arm and a bucket on his shoulders. The woman was about 15 yards behind; neither one of them would speak to me. She had on a dark dress.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

She seemed to be worried; the man was walking very fast.

SETH ADAMS.

I was present at the inquest held at Bachelor Creek bridge; didn't know her; seemed that I had seen her but couldn't remember her. On her throat were three marks of finger nails apparently done with the right hand; no doubt she was choked to death.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Monday was the first time I went to where the body was, between 10 and 11 o'clock; I live a little over a mile from there; don't live on the main road; the body was first found by a young white lady, Miss Stevenson, who lives near the bridge.

JOSEPH DEES—RECALLED.

Never noticed for any foot prints around the bridge when I took the body out of the water; think I saw the print of a bucket; about a gallon bucket on the sand.

NOAH SIMMONS.

Saw Ben Hill on Sunday morning after the woman was drowned; met him coming on home towards James City; had a sack to his back; never saw any tin bucket.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

It was before sun up on Sunday morning, I said good morning Mr. Hill. He spoke to me. Looked about like he does now.

JOHN JOHNSON.

I know Ben Hill and knew Lizzie Hill. They are members of my church. They got into a fight and they were brought before the church and Ben was turned out. Sometime after that Lizzie came to me to show me how Ben had beat her; she showed me several scars, one on the thigh. I asked her who did it; she said Ben Hill her husband; it has been about five weeks since I saw Lizzie Hill.

FLORA LUCAS.

Not acquainted with Ben Hill but was with Lizzie. She showed me a scar on her right thigh and her shoes that were cut. She said her husband did it.

ISAAC WATERS.

Am acquainted with Ben Hill and his wife. Saw Lizzie about 2 weeks before she was killed. She was in great distress; said her husband had threatened to kill her; showed me a scar on her right thigh; said that her husband did it in an attempt to kill her.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

She didn't say where the fight took place in which he cut her nor why he did it.

HARRIET MOURNING.

Know Ben Hill and Lizzie; live next door to them; they went off one Monday morning to pick cotton; I saw him on Sunday evening afterwards. Lizzie did not come back afterwards. He was playing accordion.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Didn't say anything to him.

JAMES LUCAS.

I knew Ben and Lizzie Hill. I think it has been between 5 or 6 weeks since I saw Lizzie. I saw the wounds on her; she came into the field where I was at work and complained of being sore. She showed me a scar on her thigh that looked like it was cut with a knife; she showed me her shoes—said Ben cut them to pieces.

E. G. HILL ESQ.

Ben Hill was up before me for an assault and battery on his wife. I issued the warrant on the 5th day of August upon the complaint of his wife. The case was tried on the 16th and Hill sentenced to thirty days imprisonment.

LOUIS BOANE.

I remember the time that Esq. Hill had Ben Hill up for an assault on his wife. I heard him say that this was the last time that Lizzie would ever have the privilege of carrying him before the Magistrate again.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

He said it after the trial as they were carrying him on to jail.

JOHN WILLIAMS.

Not acquainted with Ben Hill. Knew Lizzie; she came to me to hire her—said if she went in the country with her husband he would kill her; told her if she would come back next week I would hire her. She was killed the next Saturday night.

MARGARET JONES.

Ben and Lizzie went off together on one Monday morning—went up the road—I live within 25 yards of them; go there to get water; saw him back on the next Sunday evening but his wife didn't return.

SELY LAWSON.

Was present when the inquest was held; saw the corpse; saw the prints of fingers on her throat; saw a scar on her forehead about an inch long; think it was done with a stick; another little knot on the top of her head; saw the scar on her thigh.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Saw the corpse on Monday; lived about one half of a mile from the place; live on the other side of the creek from here; was at home on Saturday; went to bed early; heard no unusual noise that night; I was perhaps asleep, and if not, I can't hear good; was off on a visit on Sunday

and didn't hear of the drowning until Sunday evening.

ROBERT JONES.

I live about 75 yards from Ben Hill; said he was going off to pick cotton; I think it has been about five weeks ago; his wife went with him; I visit his house; have been there after water since he come back from cotton picking; saw him there on Sunday evening, haven't seen his wife since.

JOHN DAWSON.

I arrested the man over there (pointing to James Boon); have never seen Hill to know him.

GARRETT MOYE.

Have had a consultation with Ben Hill since he has been in prison; he sent for me to go to see him; he wanted me to be a witness for him; didn't want to say anything to me in the presence of the Sheriff, but give me a written paper; (handed the paper to the Justice) substance of which was for him to do something for him and all swear to the same thing.

RECESS TILL 3 O'CLOCK.

The testimony for the State here closed. The defendant declined to introduce any testimony. He was committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Jim Boone, who was first arrested, it being thought at the time that the murdered woman was his wife, was discharged, his wife having made her appearance, and it being established that the murdered woman was Hill's wife.

Kinston Items.

The Chinquepin section of Jones county through which we passed last Tuesday was white with cotton and alive with turkeys.

Col. Jno. N. Whitford of the "bloody 67th," was feeling around Trenton last Tuesday, in his own interest, we suppose, as a candidate for Sena. or.

Capt. Swift Galloway spoke to a good audience in Trenton last Tuesday. The ghost of prohibition seems to haunt the vivid and terrified imagination of the gallant captain.

We met in Trenton last Tuesday that whole-soul and genial gentleman, Capt. E. R. Page. He seems to be the "boss" of all parties and of all things in the county of Jones.

Trenton has the reputation of being a veritable Rip Van Winkle town; but it has one institution, at least, which is not subject to this denunciation. Green's drug store and drinking saloon is indeed a wide awake place, kept open at all hours and is the best appointed and best kept institution of the kind in this section of the State.

On our way to Trenton last Tuesday, we met, some distance from town, in quite a hurry too, the Rev. Sandy Flowers, who had just been convicted and fined \$50 for failing to list all of his property for taxation. Enquiring how the times were at court, Sandy answered, "Finding fellers, like the devil—go and get your share."

The Trenton Bar last Tuesday presented quite an array of talent and good looks. There were Wooten and Perry of Lenoir, Koonce of Onslow, and the resident members, Pearsall and the "old reliable" Capt. Raspberry. The fine appearance of the New Berne members, Manly, Simmons, Moore, Stevenson, Clark, Whitford and Clarke, firmly establishes New Berne as the best market for living purposes in the State.

General James Madison Leach, a "Yarboro house general," lunched and punched with uncle Richard last Tuesday and filled the large hall of our court house with the roar of a voice of mighty sound and fury. He received while here a telegraphic "dead head" pass from the Richmond and Danville railroad syndicate and now "men may come and men may go, But Leach goes on forever."

Jones county superior court commenced its fall term last Monday morning, Judge McKee, presiding. He is a new judge and apparently a young man, though it seems his brain power has destroyed much of his head covering, which, however, might be remedied by the donning of the English woolsack. The open, honest and intelligent countenance of his Honor assures one of the sure performance of "what conscience dictates to be done," while, in judgment, he is quick and decisive as Napoleon when he crossed the Berisena. This appointment of the Governor honors the judiciary of North Carolina.

There is a great stir among the Republican candidates in Lenoir county at what they term a trick of the Democrats to disfranchise Falling Creek township in the coming election. This township gives a large Republican majority. The county commissioners appointed, regularly, a registrar for this township who declined to act, when the magistrates of the township appointed another registrar, who is disqualified because he is a candidate in this election. It is now too late to appoint another registrar and keep the registration books open thirty days before the election as required by law. What shall we do?

COMMERCIAL.

NEW BERNE MARKET.

COTTON—Middling 10 9-16; strict low middling 10½; low middling 10¼. Seed cotton—Extra nice, 3½c; ordinary 3½c. CORN—75c. in bulk; 78c. in sacks. TURPENTINE—Receipts moderate. Firm at \$2.50 for yellow dip. TAR—Firm at \$1.50 and \$1.75. BRESWAX—20c. to 25c. per lb. HONEY—60c. per gallon. WHEAT—90c. per bushel. COUNTRY BACON—Hams 18c.; sides 16c.; shoulders 15c. Lard 15c. BEEF—On foot, 5c. to 6c. EGGS—17c. per dozen. PEANUTS—\$1.50. per bushel. FODDER—55c. per hundred for new. APPLES—\$1.25 per bushel. PEARS—\$1.00 per bushel. GRAPES—Scuppernon, \$1.00 a 10 per bushel. ONIONS—\$1.50 per bushel. BEANS—80c. per bushel. PEAS—\$1.10 to \$1.25 per bushel. HIDES—Dry, 9c. to 11c.; green 6c. TALLOW—6c. per lb. CHICKENS—Grown, 50c. per pair. MEAL—Bolted, \$1.00 per bushel. POTATOES—Irish, \$1.50; sweet—Bahamas 40c; yams 60c. SHINGLES—West India 5 inch, mixed, \$2.50 per M. Building 5 inch, hearts, \$2.50; sups, \$2.50 per M.

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A nice line of Domestic Dry Goods, Books and Shoes, Wood and Willow Ware, Crockery Ware, Etc. Etc.
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FOR SALE.

The undersigned will sell at the court house door in the city of New Berne on Monday, November 27th, 1882, by public auction on terms of one half cash, one half on credit of six months, the following described property: A part lot in the city of New Berne situated on the eastern side of Metcalf street, it being one fourth of the lot known in the place of said city as lot No. 98.

The sale is pursuant to an order of the Superior court of Craven county made in a special proceeding pending therein in which C. F. Waters is plaintiff and Thomas F. Gooding and others are defendants.

O. H. GIGON
Commissioner.

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Our Silk Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Ties, and silk Umbrellas are not to be equalled by any house in the city.
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Carpets, Rugs and Blankets,
which we offer at LOW FIGURES.

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which for the last few years have given such general satisfaction, are LIVING PROOFS that you get the BEST GOODS for the LEAST MONEY at our Emporium. oct14dwt

IN THE FIELD AGAIN!

M.H. Sultan

Having lately returned from Northern Markets, where he has secured the FINEST STOCK OF LADIES' and GENTS' WEAR, would wish to impress on the public in general that he is prepared to suit the most fastidious. In
For Gents, Youths, Boys and Children, I have the greatest variety, which for quality, workmanship and price cannot be beat. Boots and Shoes of all the leading manufacturers cheap and to the cheapest. Hats for Ladies and Gentlemen, all styles and all prices. In my Notion Department, which is always complete, can be found all the Latest in Ladies' and Gents' Hose, Corsets of leading manufacturers, Gloves, Laces, Fine Ladies' and Gents' Neck Wear, Shirts, and Trunks, Valises, etc. Thanking you for past favors, and soliciting a continuance, I am, most respectfully,
M. H. SULTAN.

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CITY ITEMS.

This column, next to local news, is to be for Local Advertising.

Skating Rink.

A. B. Cox has opened a Skating rink in the Weinstein building, open every evening at 6 o'clock. Admission Moderate charge for use of skates oct13dwt

Eighty cents per barrel paid for sene barrels. oct11dwt

A. R. DENNIS

TO THE VOTERS OF THE

9TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Col. Benj. Askew having declined to run after receiving the nomination of the Polkville convention, and has not been any convention since one by the counties of Carteret, Currituck and Jones, there is no regular Sena. nominee for this District, therefore announce myself a candidate. Respectfully,
H. FRANK B.

MALARIA

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NOTICE.

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