

Scraps and Facts.

Fire destroyed about 1,200 feet of wharfage along the Charleston water front last Thursday night, causing loss to the amount of \$1,500,000. The destruction included more than half of the city's terminal facilities along the Cooper river to the east of the passenger station.

The house of representatives on Friday night received its opposition to any increase in membership, recommending to the census committee by a vote of 146 to 142 the 332 bill to increase its size from 332 to 350 members. The vote was taken on a motion to recommit offered by Representative

Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, says the strike can be prevented by the railroads if they will call off their demand for wage reductions or by the government taking over the railroads.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. If you have lost it or found it or want to sell it or want to buy it or want to advertise in The Yorkville Enquirer which covers York and counties adjoining.

The Star Theatre. J. Q. Wray, Proprietor-Constance Binney today and today tomorrow. York Supply Company-Received this week.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. Since the last publication of the record in The Yorkville Enquirer the following real estate transfers have been indexed in the office of the York county auditor:

THE MARRIAGE RECORD. Since the last publication of the record in The Yorkville Enquirer, the following marriage licenses have been issued by the judge of probate to the following:

THE WEST ROAD. Within another month at least, fair weather prevailing, the new West road between Smyrna and Hickory Grove will be completed.

ABOUT PEOPLE. T. W. Quinn, of Charlotte, spent Sunday in Yorkville. L. W. Jenkins, of Spartanburg, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jenkins, in Yorkville.

Miss Josephine of Troy, N. C., visited the family of her father, W. P. Youngblood at Sharon this week. O. Frank Hart of Columbia visited the family of his father G. W. S. Hart yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sherrill of Pennsylvania, are the guests who lined up at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hall, in Yorkville.

Friends and acquaintances will be glad to know that Mrs. Luther Hartness (formerly Miss Julia McKnight) of Gastonia, who has been seriously ill, is now on the road to recovery.

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all of the local merchants got more or less business out of the circus. In a hotly contested game of football on the high school field Friday afternoon the Lancaster and Yorkville school teams tied 6 to 6.

Several score members of York Lodge No. 116, Independent Order of Odd Fellows attended services at the Charlotte Street Baptist church, Sunday morning, and a count of the special service for Odd Fellows preached by Rev. F. A. Liles, pastor of the church and himself a member of the fraternity.

Approximately 60 bales of cotton the property of Lowry & Moore, cotton buyers of Yorkville, were either totally or partially destroyed by fire which was discovered between 1 and 2 o'clock Sunday morning at the public building on East Madison street beside the Carolina & North-Western railway tracks.

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Miss Janet Fairies of Belmont, N. C., and Billie McNeill of Rock Hill recently visited Miss Mary Bigger on King's Creek No. 2.

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bears over there live on condensed milk, would you? Well, that's all they get. In their native haunts, they live on fish but of course we can't feed them on fish in going about the country. They are a very skilful looking animal and you will observe. Polar bears are pretty mean and are much harder to train than our common black or brown bears.

Charlie Mugivan, fat and forty and Irish and general manager and part owner of the Howe's Great London Shows and Van Amburg's Wild Animal shows which exhibited to two large crowds in Yorkville yesterday was in good humor when a couple of newspaper men dropped round to the big top late yesterday afternoon and the general Irishman spent considerable time talking circus and showing his visitors the animals and giving out some facts about them.

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Conducting his visitors into the menagerie of the big show, Charlie got to talking wild animals. "See that big lion over there? That's Brutus. He is about eight years old and is one of the finest specimens of a male lion in captivity. Brutus is feeling badly now. We had to pull one of his teeth—a big jaw tooth the other day. Brutus got in a row with one of the lionesses and the old girl busted Brutus' jaw and he can't pull his tooth. Brutus won't act. He probably never will act. Too mean. Just keep him for breeding purposes. We couldn't duplicate him for a thousand dollars."

Charlie showed his visitors a lioness and her four cubs. "Those little fellows are only a few weeks old," he said. "There are three males and a female. The males are much more valuable to the circus than the females. We won't begin training them for a year or two yet. Don't pay to start them even too early. Like human beings they learn more as they grow older and we will let them grow awhile before we begin their training."

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"Hippo don't live in captivity very long as a rule but Vic appears to be in good health and we hope that he is going to live with us a long time." Charlie tried to open Vic's big mouth but the hipp wouldn't open so he called "Louie," the German animal trainer to the rescue.

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