

Local and State.

Father Evans is unhappy. His Pea Ridge friends killed a bear and didn't ask him to the funeral.

Judge Reide, of our Supreme Court, is lying dangerously ill with typhoid fever, at his home in Washington county.

Our community was visited last Friday by a two inch snow, accompanied with rain and a heavy sleet. Slush, slush! was the word next day.

Thanks to our young friend, Mr. C. D. Yates of the City Book Store, for a supply of excellent writing fluid, pens and pen holders of superior quality.

Our readers will please pardon the bad quality of paper we have been using the past few weeks, which was sent to us from the mills through mistake. We will give you better in the future.

Is that cat a barometer? At any rate she walked into the baking department of our cook stove, last Thursday morning, and was discovered by the cook in time to prevent a whole-ale roasting; and that night the snow came.

If the Commissioners will have the leaves and other rubbish cleared from the gutters in the West and North-west sections of the city, thus giving the water free passage, they will save much work and expense in repairs.

The ladies of Red House church, Caswell county, will have a Christmas dinner and Christmas Tree for the benefit of their church. They charge 50 cents admission and give you the dinner. Can't our ladies give us something of the kind for the benefit of the orphans.

MANNING, of the ROANOKE NEWS, was in Greensboro, Tuesday, it is supposed on a womanizing tour.—*Ral. Sentinel*.

It is not to be supposed that we would be on such a woful mission! Were merely traveling for our health.—*News*.

We guess Charlie is telling the truth. While here he was too sick to call on us.

The State Council, Friends of Temperance, closed a harmonious session at Lumberton last week, showing a good year's work. The following are the officers for the ensuing year: S. E. Warl, Lumberton, President; E. H. McLaughlin, Stateville, Associate; Rev. I. T. Wychie, Lumberton, Chaplain; Rev. R. H. Whitaker, Raleigh, Secretary; J. E. Garrett, Fayetteville, Treasurer; M. F. Saunders, —, Conductor; B. G. Graham, Shoe Heel, Sentinel; Rev. G. B. Wetmore, Happy Home, Ex-Member.

The next session will be held in Shelby, Nov. 1876.

Last week the Adelaide Phillips troupe were billed to play here Thursday night, and notwithstanding the ugly weather the house was very well filled—many coming from other places, and parties in town hiring carriages to take their families out—but from some whim the troupe refused to play, and after dismissing the audience repaired to a drinking saloon—men and women—and behaved themselves in a disgraceful manner, drinking, smoking and carousing until the arrival of the 3 o'clock train. In addition they refused to pay their printing bills contracted by their agent with our neighbor, the *Patriot*, and only the strong arm of the law could bring them to terms.

We think it is getting high time for our people here and elsewhere to firmly set themselves against all these itinerant concerns, and refuse them any farther patronage. No man has a right to cry "hard times" who patronizes such concerns to the neglect of his honest debts.

True, there are a few of these travelling troupes that are exceptions to the rule of doubtful character, but they are so "few" that it is difficult to discriminate, especially so long as the public press continues its lavish praise of each and every concern that comes along, and that too, at the doubtful price of a few dead-head tickets.

Again we say, keep away from them, and they'll keep away from you.

Bro. Parker, of the Alamance *Gleaner*, in Green-boro:

"We spent a day in this city last week. It is a nice pleasant place to spend a day or all your days in. It has hotels the equal of any to be found, or that a reasonable man could desire. It has that appearance of thrift and improvement that is always pleasant to behold, and its people are known for their social and hospitable qualities, and its ladies for their beauty and accomplishments. If you are an editor, you can find as clever agreeable brethren here, whether in search of a radical, democratic, religious or Masonic editor, as your conscience would permit you to ask to throw away half an hour upon you anywhere, etc." Bro. Parker, your head's level

A dispatch dated New York 6th, says Boss Tweed made his escape last night, eluding the police, and is now at liberty. No clue could be discovered as to how he spirited away, although every police station was notified in twenty minutes after he was missed.

A LARGE LOT of New Jewelry, Watches, Rings, Pins, Charms, Chains, &c. just received at
7— CHAMBERLAIN'S.

Thieving is still the order of the day in Wilmington.

Read the advertisement of J. H. Coleman's Machine Shop. You can get anything mended by calling on him.

We are sorry to hear that a little child of Thomas C. Foast, Esq., being left a short time alone one day last week in the house, took fire, and sustained extremely severe and painful, if not fatal injuries. The little child as well as the parents has our sincere sympathy. Suffering or death by fire is terrible. So terrible is it as to be used as the type of the severest pain, and the most awful death that can be inflicted.—*Alamance Gleaner*.

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An exchange says: In Virginia, Mr. Allen Hannah has married Miss Hannah Allen, and now Miss Hannah Allen is Mrs. Hannah Hannah; and is, perhaps, the only woman in the world whose whole name can be spelled backward the same as forward. That's what's the matter with Hannah.

Says the Wilmington *Star*: A sad case was that of officer Edward Davis, colored, of the police force, who had two of his children lying dead in the house at one time. One died Sunday afternoon and the other Monday morning, which makes three within less than a week that he has lost by diphtheria.

CONCERT.—The M. E. Sunday School have secured the Benbow Hall, and will give one of their Superior Concerts on Friday night Dec. 24th, for the benefit of the Sunday School. As their entertainment will be very interesting we hope that they will meet with abundant success.

The N. C. M. E. Conference is in session this week at Wilmington. We notice the following appointments:
Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, Presiding elder of Greensboro district.
Greensboro Station.—S. D. Adams.
North Guilford Circuit.—J. W. Lewis.
South Guilford Circuit.—Zeb Rash.

Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, who has been our Minister for the past two years, and who is much beloved by not only his church, but the whole community, has been appointed Presiding Elder of the Charlotte district. There will be many regrets at parting with Bro. Bobbitt, whose presence so often cheered the homes of his flock. He is a faithful pastor, in the pulpit and out, and the attachments of his friends are very strong. We wish him a long, useful and happy life.

Last week our clerk was instructed to send out "duns" to all delinquent subscribers. Not being familiar with our book he fears he may have sent to some that have paid. If so this is an explanation. They need not, and are not expected to pay twice.

Washington, Dec 6.—The Senate was called to order with Ferry in the Chair. The usual resolutions were adopted notifying the President and House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate was present and that body was ready for business. It being ascertained authoritatively that the President's message would not be read until Tuesday, the Senate adjourned.

McPherson called the House to order. The McEury certificates were read and laid aside. The Mississippi delegations were received, the credentials having been signed by the Lieutenant Governor. The roll-call is progressing. Large crowd in attendance.

The Rev. Mr. E. Dalloway, of Western N. Y. will preach in St. Barnabas next Sabbath morning and evening.

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