

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.—We tender to our patrons and friends the compliments of the season, and wish them a merry Christmas and happy New Year.

GOV. VANCE'S LECTURE.—We are requested to say that Gov. Vance will deliver his Lecture "All about it," in this place, on Friday evening next at Trevelock Hall.

THE ORDERS ANNULLLED.—It will be seen by the following dispatch that the authorities at Washington have annulled the order of General Sickles prohibiting corporal punishment in this State.

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AN IMPORTANT TRUTH.—Mr. Wentworth, a Radical member of Congress from Illinois, made this declaration in the House of Representatives last week.

THE COUNTRY WAS IN MORE DANGER NOW FROM extravagance and corruption than it had been in from the rebellion.

Any one who keeps an eye on public affairs can see that extravagance and corruption is ruining the country.

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THE PUBLIC LAND DONATION.—The State Senate passed the bill to give to the College at Chapel Hill (called the N. C. University) the public lands donated to this State for an Agricultural College.

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MR. EDITOR.—The following letter is from a gentleman of this State who went North to sell lands and other properties for himself and friends.

It may interest your numerous readers to peruse it. It speaks out plainly as to the real difficulties in the way of our material prosperity.

DEAR SIR: I returned day before yesterday, having spent three weeks in Philadelphia and New York.

I hope yet, however, to do something as soon as the policy of Congress is definitely determined.

Some of the wisest men I talked with are convinced that the capital of the country, if we will only permit it, must necessarily be transferred to the South in a few years.

CHARLOTTE.—All the papers of our neighboring city speak of the immense amount of business doing there at this time.

By the way, we have found out why cotton is going to Charlotte from the neighborhood of this place and Cheraw.

Hope our friend, the Democrat, will not get angry at this exposure.

Of course we will not get angry. Small favors thankfully received, larger ones in proportion.

From the Raleigh Standard.

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Latest News. THE LEGISLATURE

Has adjourned until the 22d January. On Saturday Gov. Work was inaugurated and delivered a short address.

NEW YORK MARKET, Dec. 22.—Cotton quiet at 34. York 13 3/4.

LIVERPOOL MARKET, Dec. 22.—Cotton buoyant at 14 1/2 pence.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 21.—Bishop Stephen Elliott of the Episcopal Church, died this evening of heart disease.

G. G. Menninger, Confederate Secretary of the Treasury, has been pardoned.

RICHMOND, Dec. 22.—The military commission for the trial of Dr. Watson here, has been dissolved by order of the President.

INCREASE OF CRIME.—It is a somewhat startling fact that within the last two years a majority of our State Penitentiaries have nearly doubled the number of their inmates.

MARRIED. In the Presbyterian Church, in this city, on the 19th inst., by the Rev R Burwell.

DIED. In this county, on the 20th inst, J. Henry Griffith, aged 30 years.

OBITUARY. In this county, Wm. A. Bell, after considerable suffering for some months, closed his mortal life.

New Goods. Do you want to buy Goods cheap?—If so, go to BREM, BROWN & CO'S.

We have just returned from the Northern Cities, where we bought a very large Stock of all kinds of Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, &c., &c.

Having gone North after the regular trade was over, we bought our Goods greatly below their value.

On Wednesday, the 9th of January, I will sell at public auction, all my Household and Kitchen Furniture.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BOUGHT out the establishment of R. M. Robinson & Co., informs the public that he has a fine stock of Toys, Notions, Confectioneries, &c.

MT. VERONA MALE ACADEMY, NEAR WOODLAWN, GASTON COUNTY, N. C.

House and Lot to Rent. At the Public Square, on Thursday the 27th inst., I will rent the HOUSE and LOT known as the Mrs. Stephenson property.

NEW GOODS. A new lot of CLOAKS just received at BREM, BROWN & CO'S.

Ladies Shawls, Sonnets, and Neubias just received at BREM, BROWN & CO'S.

Full stock of YANKEE NOTIONS, cheap Wholesale and Retail, at BREM, BROWN & CO'S.

Blankets, Blankets, Blankets, just received at BREM, BROWN & CO'S.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Public-Sale—Mrs Margaret Grier, Administrator's Notice.—C. Dowd, Adm'r. Clothing, Clothing—Brem, Brown & Co. Toys and Confectioneries—Dallas M. Rigler. New Goods, &c.—James Harty & Co. Family Groceries—Presson & Gray. Dry Goods, &c.—Brem, Brown & Co. Boot and Shoe Store—B. R. Smith & Co. Male Academy in Gaston county—A. J. Harrison, Principal. House and Lot for Rent—J. P. Ross, Trustee. Court Order—Kiah P. Harris, Clerk. Court Order—S. Williams, Clerk.