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CITY.

Thermometer 46.
Frost, frostier, frostiest.
The coming man—Santa Claus!
Three deeds probated yesterday.
The streets are unusually muddy.
Deer meat, and dear meat in market.
Our stores look, St. Nicholas, all over.
Our Christmas number will be "so nice."
The Chamber of Commerce meet to-morrow.
The County Commissioners meet again to-morrow.
The City Clerk's office is undergoing sanitary repairing.
Wild Turkeys gobble in the suburbs—and get "powdered."
The G. A. R. No. 1 held a meeting last evening at headquarters, and tuned the pipes of that lovely organ.
Our reports of the Secretaries of War, Navy and the Treasury were crowded out this issue. We will give them in our next.
WHAT HO!—They sever the caps of milk and water milkmen in Turkey. Dealers in the lactile fluid in Wilmington, beware!
New buildings along our wharves and improvements of divers kinds exhibit the growth of wealth among our mercantile classes.
The Harnett Boat Club members will please meet at the editorial room of the Post to-morrow at 4 P. M. Business of importance. F. G. Moore, Secretary.
"PUSH THINGS!"—Messrs. Garris and Keys have been appointed a committee to apportion the school fund for the county. Gentlemen, our "side head" to you greeting!
BE ON HAND.—There will be a meeting of the Republican General Committee on Friday night at the City Hall, at seven and a half o'clock. All members are requested to be present.
WISELY DONE.—Wise, ye vendor of the luscious bivalves, has shipped to Augusta, Ga., a large quantity of canned oysters. This is the first shipment from this port of any oysters, so far South. What says Norfolk?
Letters from valued friends in the Western part of the State, and on the coast will appear in our next. The Post plan of a great oyster trade for Wilmington is attracting much attention, and two companies are already forming.
A spicy paper—THE WILMINGTON N. C. POST. But it is wrong about Belknap's eyes. Leisure Hours (MAGAZINE).
We acknowledge the correction as just, coming as it does from the KING of Pennsylvania literature.
Rev. Elijah Howe, D.D. (Divinely Drunk) was collared yesterday by officer Daniels, when trying to imitate Jenny Lind. The unappreciative officer thought the modern nightingale sang not sweetly, and therefore unto the walls of Canada was he confined. Thus be it ever.
The business of the city is about to assume all the gaiety of "Holiday Season." A short visit to Mr. Banks' manufactory of candy discovered that gentleman like "linked sweetness long drawn out" i. e., he "was drawing out" miles of stick candy and twisting cables of "sweetness."
The people residing near Seventh, between Market and Milberry streets, complain of the neglect of somebody to repair the plank walk. It would be well to have an act regulating side walks by which the city should be empowered to do the necessary repairing throughout the entire corporation, and charge half to lot owners.
As our friend of the Post is so fond of assailing us with quotations from foreign languages, we have compiled the following beautiful sentiment for his especial edification, to which we request an early answer:
Du bist sprachloslieber Schurke,
Qui Jamie vivait a Babylon,
Aber wenn du wüsstst die Lese.
It's big pig, little pig, root hog or die.
Standard.
Answer.
Ze bist eiber zezel, mine slamer Pike,
Ich liecher dich ven ze bist erveck,
Aber nacht fun schlafen, ich muss wachen
Zibezackroekich augen, seadt us we er dik.
Für Stenzer!

The Star (editorially this time) again murders Shakespeare by quoting Hamlet as saying:
"To what base uses must we come at last?"
If our memory is faithful 'tis "thuswise."
"To what base uses may we return, Horatio?"
Numbers of deer hides and other skins are brought "down the river" and offered for sale to our merchants. This branch of trade might be greatly increased did some of our enterprising traders go up the country and offer to purchase hides from those too poor to pay their way to the city for the purpose of bartering "skins for groceries."
PARDONED—Gov. Holden has pardoned the boy, John L. Davis, sentenced at the last session of the Special Court, to 12 months in the penitentiary, for Assault and Battery. As this unfortunate lad has behaved commendably since his incarceration and evinced a disposition to reform, the clemency of the State Executive is sustained.
EDUCATION—Rev. S. S. Ashley addressed a large and fashionable audience last Monday evening on this subject, at the Ebenezer Baptist Church. The lecturer gave an excellent account of what can be done when energy and perseverance are the controlling powers. The address was favorably received and as favorably commented upon. Gen. Allan Rutherford presided.
The noble river that floats commerce to our wharves has kept up to "high water mark" lately almost sufficient to float a Great Eastern. The hum of traffic keeps along all these bright winter days. Days that seem like the early "fall weather" so much admired in the North. Would that the enterprise of the manufacturing towns of the eastern States could be transplanted here, that the hundreds of willing hands now obtaining too little work might be usefully employed.
PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS!—The Post gives notice to its numerous friends that our columns are now ready to glow forth all the "glories of the coming" Christmas! Our merchants have a fine opportunity to show their wares through the Post's spicy logos, and in new TYPE! Come one; come all! Listen to the call of Father Christmas as exhibited to his many merry friends in the people's popular organ our "WILMINGTON POST." Advertisements at reduced rates if sent in by December 15th.
DEBATED.—Daniel Simmons and Henry Johnson are sailors. The noble pigmatist with Wilmington around, the John Balch, owns these disciples of the Trident Neptune for their own. But in a neglectful hour were they tempted from the chilling frore and chimney hand of the sea crowned god, to that of the rosy idol—Bacchus. They went unto the supernatural domicile and did drink of the festive cup. For which the blue coated knights of the Club did carry them unto the walls of (Canada). Thus went they.
GENTLY REMINDED.—Yesterday afternoon one of the prisoners confined in the Work-house, having asked permission to leave work, took advantage to make his exit, other than through the gate. When discovered he accelerated his progress by pestering his muddy. The guard not viewing this piece of Westolism favorably drew his "revolver" and fired, the ball striking the back and glancing off. (Tough old back that. Must have been iron clad.) The gentleman complimented the guard on his crack shot, and succumbed. He represents Brunswick county, and is an honor to any State.
NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS. All receiving subscriptions or sending in new names before January 1st will be entitled to the Post for 1870 at the exceeding low price of THREE DOLLARS PER ANNUM! Let all who claim to believe Republican ideas, and desire to show allegiance to the National Government assist the only true American organ in this section. To quote a distinguished writer: "It is the shame of any citizen owning allegiance to the flag that he subscribes for or assists the organs of treason and does not stand by the only National paper worthy of the name in North Carolina." The Post has been improved at much cost and is worthy the aid of all good citizens.
REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE. At a meeting of a special Republican committee, held at the Court House in the city of Wilmington on Wednesday evening, 8th inst., for the purpose of forming a Republican Executive Committee for the county of New Hanover, Mr. James Wilson was called to the chair, and Mr. Stacy VanAuringe appointed Secretary.
On motion of George Chadbourn it was Resolved, That the Republican Executive Committee consist of fifty-two members—ten members thereof to be selected from each of the four Wards of the city and one member from each of the twelve Townships of the county.
The following persons were nominated as members of the committee, and on motion were duly declared elected:
FIRST WARD.—Henry Taylor, L. E. Rice, Hezekiah Reed, Owen Dove, Allen J. Denton, George M. Arnold, Robert Sweet, W. P. Canada, J. P. Bourke.
SECOND WARD.—James Wilson, Sol. W. Nash, E. M. Shoemaker, Geo. Z. French, Jas.

McComber, Geo. W. Price, Jr., W. J. Kellogg, S. VanAuringe, James Lowery, John P. Sampson.
THIRD WARD.—James H. Chadbourn, J. G. Bulken, Wm. Avant, Edward Davis, Wesley Avant, Joseph C. Hill, Chas. L. Grady, J. W. Schenck, Jr., Anthony Howe, Joseph H. Nell.
FOURTH WARD.—Henry Jones, Jas. McD. French, Edward Kidder, Geo. R. French, Hiram Hawkins, Allan Rutherford, Wm. A. Green, Wm. A. Thurber, Wm. McLauren, H. S. Scroves.
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES.—Lincoln Township, John Bell; Harnett Township, Benjamin Galloway; Columbia Township, William T. Morton; Cape Fear Township, H. E. Scott; Holly Township, Henry Moore; Masonboro Township, J. J. Orell.
On motion of Gen. Allan Rutherford it was Resolved, That Messrs. Stacy VanAuringe, Duncan Holmes and James Lowery, be a committee to appoint six members, one from each of the other Townships, and to report their action at the next meeting.
On motion, the Secretary was ordered to notify the members of the Republican Executive Committee of the county of New Hanover of their election and request them to attend a meeting of the Committee to be held at the Court House in the city of Wilmington on Friday evening 10th inst., at half past seven o'clock.
On motion, the Secretary was directed to furnish a report of the proceedings of this meeting to the Wilmington Post.
On motion the meeting adjourned.
JAMES WILSON, Chairman.
STACY VANAURINGE, Sec'y.
The above is the result of the efforts made by our leading Republicans to restore union among the apparently divided elements of the Republican party in this city. All good and true men will rejoice that a satisfactory arrangement has been made in the interest of peace and good order. With union there is strength indeed; which our enemies will flout out at the coming election. Our friends are jubilant, and properly so, for all fears are dispelled and the dark "clouds that over our house have lowered" are "buried" never to be resurrected to disturb existing harmony and good feeling.
BOOKS, MAGAZINES, &c.—Popping the Question; Novel, by Mrs. Gordon Smythies; T. B. Peterson & Bro., Philadelphia, Pa. We think this work exceeds both in animation of character, brilliancy of dialogue and subtlety of description, any of Mrs. Smythies' former productions. The plot is more absorbing than that of the "Jill", the pen illustrations more glowing than that of "The Marrying Man." It commends itself.
Robert Graham; Novel, by Caroline Lee Hentz; T. B. Peterson & Bro., Publishers, Philadelphia, Pa. This a handsomely bound, beautifully printed and tastefully arranged volume. But what shall we say of the story? We are painfully aware of Mrs. Hentz' style. Her word painting, is overwrought, her characters stained and therefore unatural. There is in this work that unmistakable training consequent upon literary cramming, not digressing. As an example take the opening chapter:
"Yous passed under the burning sun of our Indian clime have not dimmed the splendor of his manly beauty or even darkened the whiteness of his marble brow."
Again:
"Beneath the solemn shadows of the oaks and pines, a tall figure walks pensive and lonely, his outlines alternately silvered by moonlight and darkened by shade, but they may still be recognized as the unrivalled lineaments of Robert Graham."
Now, why "splendor"? Did Mrs. Hentz know the meaning of the word? "Splendor," means; pomp, parade, eminence, richness, &c. Even straining or torturing the sentence into, "the richness of his face," would not that grate harshly upon the ear? "Marble brow," we are convinced has become by chronic right, the novel writer's indispensable. We are so accustomed to reading this, that we would fain request the disciples of Mrs. Hentz to use some other adjective.
The second paragraph quoted, smacks so decidedly of the romancers' folly, that it hardly needs criticism. It has that singsong, drawing sentimentation about it that makes one feel that he is reading a novel, and not a story from real life, which life picturing should constitute the aim of every good novelist.
Despite of these occasional imperfections, however, there is, cropping out here and there, some beautiful workings of character and situation. Price \$1 75 in green morocco cloth.
We have heard considerable of the merits of "Wives and Widows," by this late author and anxiously await its republication by the Messrs. Petersons.
Wives and Widows; Novel, by Mrs. Ann S. Stephens; T. B. Peterson & Bro., Publishers, Philadelphia, Pa. Whatever objections the novel reader may have to Mrs. Stephens' works, that of simplicity of description, animation of scene, and power of words, are not to be denied her. For one who has written so much, Mrs. Stephens retains still the remarkable vitality of the pen that characterized her "Doubly False," and "The Heiress." No one ever regrets reading Mrs. Stephens' productions; on the contrary they please the reader and increase the desire for literary publication, and any writer that succeeds in this, accom-

plishes a great thing. Wives and Widows, is an example of this kind. 'Tis true to nature, thrilling incident, delightful in interest, and varied in pen portraiture. Price \$1 75 in cloth; \$1 50 in paper.
Any of the above works can be purchased at Heinsbergers.
Blackwood's for November, and North British Review, from the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, New York. These gongs from the thinkers of the Old World, in Literature and Science, and the Arts, cannot be too often recommended by the press. The wonderful cheapness with which they are offered; the sound logic with which they handle the most abstruse subject and the fund of instruction to be derived therefrom, makes the "Reviews" published by this Company indispensable adjuncts of all libraries.
The Family Doom; or, The Sin of a Countess, is the name of a new novel by Mrs. Emma D. E. N. Southworth, now in press and to be published in a few days by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia. It will command a very large sale, as it is fully equal, if not superior to "The Changed Brides," "The Bride's Fate," "Fair Play," and "How He Won Her," which have proved to be four of the best novels ever published, and which are having unprecedented sales, for Mrs. Southworth, as a novelist, stands at the head of the sensational school. Her conceptions are marked by originality, and there is a purity and sweetness about her language which give a peculiar charm to her writings. Many of her characters are powerfully and touchingly drawn, and we learn to love them because they are more natural than affected. "The Family Doom" will be issued in a large duodecimo volume, and sold at the low price of \$1 75 in cloth; or, \$1 50 in paper cover; or copies will be sent by mail, to any place, post-paid, by the publishers, on receipt of the price of the work in a letter to them.
Any gentleman that wants to give a lady friend a present ought, to send her Peterson's LADIES NATIONAL for 1870, as it promises to be better than ever, and Peterson always keeps his promise. It would be a very interesting and useful gift. The January number of this most excellent Magazine is on our table, with two of the most splendid steel engravings that we ever saw. The first one is called "Parted by Fate," and is accompanied with a very powerful story by Frank Lee Benedict. The second is called "A Bitter Morning," and represents two children skating on the ice. This is one of the most cunning pictures we have seen for a long time. As for Peterson's fashion plates, they can't be beat. They are engraved on steel, and they are really superb; every lady ought to see them. We cannot understand how Peterson can afford to give the superb colored patterns he does, as every color in these patterns has to be printed separately, which costs excessively. We speak from personal knowledge of the story in Peterson; they are always good and interesting. We heard that Peterson's Ladies' National printed more for 1869 than any one of the Ladies' Magazines. We can understand this, as Peterson gives more for the money than anybody in the field. The price of this magazine is only TWO DOLLARS a year, while the inducements to Clubs are very great. Specimens are sent gratis to those wishing to get up clubs. Address Charles J. Peterson, No 206 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.
A SPLENDID PRIZE FOR THE LADIES!—The finest, most pleasing and costly engraving ever published in America, to be presented as a premium to each subscriber to DEMOREST'S MONTHLY, a Magazine of practical utility in the household, a mirror of the fashions, and a literary conservator of surpassing interest and artistic excellence acknowledged to be the Model Parlor Magazine of America. The engraving, 28 by 35 inches, is from the original painting, entitled, "THE PIC-NIC ON THE 4TH OF JULY." The painting took a whole year, and is considered the finest of the entire list of numerous popular productions by Lillie M. Spencer. The engraving was the labor of four years, by three eminent artists—John Rogers, John Halpin, and Samuel Hillyer; the last named having been induced to come from Europe to America expressly to finish it. The engravers have ably seconded the successful labors of the painter. Nong but artists can fully appreciate the skill and labor lavished on this engraving. The general effect is very fine and impressive, and the delicate finish to the heads will bear the most minute inspection. The union of line and stipple is executed with unusual ability, and their skillful combination has greatly contributed to the success of the engravers in this unsurpassed proof of their artistic genius.
The work on the engraving alone cost over seven thousand dollars, besides the cost of the copyright, and is acknowledged by competent judges the most elaborately finished large work of art ever engraved in America.
Fine copies of this magnificent Picture, on heavy plate paper, worth \$10 each, are to be given as a premium to each subscriber to DEMOREST'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE. Yearly subscriptions only Three Dollars and Ten cents (which is to be sent with the subscription, for the postage on the engraving, (which will be mailed securely close up on a roller).
This is certainly the largest, most liberal and splendid premium ever offered to single

subscribers by any publisher, and affords an easy and economical way for any one to secure an elegant work of art, a Parlor Picture that is only next to a piano in the way of ornamentation, and a perpetual reminder of a day which ought to be cherished and held in remembrance by every true American.
The reception of this magnificent picture will take every one by surprise, and we do not venture anything in saying that \$10 will not procure another that combines so much of interest and beauty.
Specimens of the Magazine with circulars, giving full particulars, will be sent to any given address, post free, on receipt of 15 cents. Address, DEMOREST'S MONTHLY 888 Broadway, N. Y.
Leisure Hours. This lively, interesting and wonderfully cheap magazine for December is before us. We know of none more welcome, few that excel it. But what puzzles us, we repeat, is the cheapness of its publication. We thought \$1 50 was marvelously cheap, but Mr. King has concluded otherwise, and reduced the price to \$1 00. Send for specimen copies. Only 15 cents. J. Traitor King Editor, Pittsburg, Pa.
Manufacturer and Builder. This young but promising magazine for November is at hand. We again call attention to it as worthy of every practical mechanic, scientist, business man and boy in the community. 137 Park Row, New York.
The Radical is more forcible, pungent, and classical this month than its wont. The leading article, "The Modern Problem Social, Not Political," displays an earnestness of feeling, a depth of thought, and lucidity of exposition seldom touched by the general magazinist. Mr. Shackelford has overdone himself. This and the paper by G. F. Walker, on "Physical and Mental Culture, in Relation To Common School Education," deserves to be read by all, whether interested or not. Boston, Mass. 23 Bromfield St.
OFFICIAL.
In Board of Aldermen.
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 6, 1869.
The Board met in regular session.
Present:—His Honor the Mayor, Aldermen Arnold, Kellogg, Wilson, Rumley, Howe and Jones.
The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.
By Alderman Howe:
Report from committee on Streets and Wharves that general work was progressing favorably.
The Marshal was directed to order the removal of the boiler at the foot of Brunswick street.
The Special Committee to whom was delegated authority to erect a bridge over the railroad on Second street, reported that only one proposal had been received, and recommended that in view of the cost, and the probable removal of the railroad, that the matter be indefinitely postponed.
The Board concurred in the recommendation.
The Marshal reported back the petition of Okham & Cumming, and recommended an ordinance, which was referred to Committee on Ordinances.
Application of A. R. Bridgman for position as market clerk for "Brooklyn Market," was laid over for future action.
Petition of A. S. VanAuringe for permission to erect a wooden warehouse, with tin roof, on Wharf between Market and Dock streets, was referred to Committee on Fire Department.
Complaint against opening of Nutt street from Red Cross to Brunswick street, was referred to City Attorney for report.
The Marshal was directed to instruct John H. Anderson and F. W. Kerchner to properly trim the wooden buildings erected by them.
The Marshal reported back on the matter of power vested in the Board of Aldermen, to remove obstructions on the streets and sidewalks of city, and presented an act concerning the same, which the Clerk was directed to forward to the General Assembly with request for its passage.
The Marshal was instructed to put the lamp post on the corner of Front and Market streets in proper position, also to cut down three trees obstructing the sidewalk fronting Mr. Hall's residence.
By Alderman Rumley:
Resolved, That this Board respectfully recommend the General Assembly to continue the Special Court upon the basis of the bill recently reported by the Judiciary Committee, of the Senate, with the modifications and amendments thereto suggested by citizens of Wilmington, and endorsed by the members of this Board, and they further recommend to the General Assembly, the memorial of the citizens upon this subject in favor of such Court.
By Alderman Kellogg:
An order concerning taxes and the remittance of the same.
Aldermen Arnold, Rumley, Wilson, Jones in the affirmative. Aldermen Howe and Kellogg in the negative.
Petition of Peter Pelkey for position on Police force was referred to the Police committee.
Alderman Rumley, returned resolutions of Aldermen Arnold, and recommended non passage.
Alderman Kellogg gave notice that he would introduce a resolution at the next meeting of the Board, calling for a report from the committee on Streets and Wharves on the opening of Bladen street.
The Board then adjourned.
BENJ. DURREE,
City Clerk.

STATE.
Warm weather in New Berne.
Wolves howl in Granville county.
Plenty of game on Currituck Sound.
The Elizabeth Carolinian is anti-foggy.
"Lots" of blue fish in Elizabeth City.
The Tremaine Bro's. are in New Berne.
Goldsboro has a new colored fire company.
The Grand Lodge F. A. M., have met in Raleigh.
Goldsboro has got it bad—we mean the "fare" fever.
Ridgway was visited by a hail storm Thursday last.
The next M. E. Conference of the State meets in Greensboro.
Saturday will be the anniversary of the capture of Plymouth.
The United States Circuit Court is still in session at Raleigh. Naught of interest transpired yet.
The examination of the teachers for Buncombe county State Common Schools takes place at Asheville on the 17th inst.
Col. A. A. Crookston has been appointed United States Deputy Marshal, headquarters at Jamesville, Martin county.
POSTINGS.
Will she vote?
Pave the streets.
Savannah has shad.
"Khehive," means King.
Sheridan is convalescent.
Gen. Wool wills \$650,000.
Newark has an Ida Lewis.
Mill snubs Koopmanschap.
Butler will champion Cuba.
Paris has a \$3,000,000 church.
Asparagus injures the kidneys.
Charleston has a Cuban Junta.
Belle Boyd has a "young 'un."
Banks, banked the Suez Canal.
White ties are smiled on again.
Cady Stanton wears a periwig.
Below freeze at Lexington, Mass.
A Norfolk paper steals our local.
The Spanish crown is on the bog.
Mark Twain is 38 and unmarried.
Creswell is anti-frauding privilege.
Anna D. is "not much in Boston."
Silka has a Yankee "school marm."
Cincinnati journalists are "fightists."
Train curses Detroit with his presence.
Forrest is "Leaving" it in "Porkopolis."
The Phil. Post has "interviewed" Twain.
Boston churches have a reporter's pew.
Richardson will be buried with his first wife.
Dayton O. makes 13,000,000 bricks quarterly.
Lydia is "A-T-Thieving" it in "Chick-argo."
Porto Rico will soon emancipate her slaves.
The "pantalunatics" are in session at Boston.
Fremont and Jesse will winter in Washington.
"Koopty" says, "Stuart Mill can go to ze tuyvil."
Chicago desires the deflation of a golden wedding.
West Virginia has a five hundred foot ice mountain.
Sodium is the substitute for phosphorus on matches.
A. J. declines everything—even "Bourbon straight."
The Times (London) crieth for Irish reform. So ho!
Wade, Cameron and Conkling are all for "Free Cuba!"
Only six cents on letters to England after 1st of January.
Belknap is considered "splendid" by the "phairse secks."
The son of the much united Brigham (y?) is in New York.
Who is the Heir?—Vide McFarland-Richardson case.
McFarland will be adjudicated "insane." Mark our words!
The N. Y. Cuban recognition petition has 20,000 scrawlers.
Political and press offences are now tried by jury in Prussia.
The New York Legislature meets on January 3rd, 1870.
"Carlisle conspiracies" is the standing dispatch from Spain.
The question of mixed schools still agitates Washington, D. C.
South Carolina is flourishing. Bouds have advanced from 28 to 63.
Cholera, small pox and yellow fever are fighting Spanish troops in Cuba.
T. J. Durant will be the Supreme Circuit Judge for the Southern District.
Mississippi elects Alcorn (Rep.) by 37,000 majority. Thus she acknowledges the corn.
"Connecticut has a 300 pic pumpkin," And that's a whooper as large as the pump-