

THE LARGEST PAID SUBSCRIPTION OF ANY PAPER PUBLISHED IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

### CHURCH SERVICES WAS APPRECIATED

Where All Can Worship Morning and Evening

### DELIGHTFUL MUSIC RENDERED

Rev. Dr. Harding to Preach at the Episcopal Church—A Native of This County—Good Music to be Rendered—Everybody Invited to Attend.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**—Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., Mr. E. F. Willis, superintendent. Morning worship, 11 a. m., sermon subject: "At the Threshold of Another Year."

Evening worship, 7:30 p. m., sermon subject: "The Gauntlet Flung Down." Banquets Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Ladies Aid Society Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Instead of the regular prayer meeting Wednesday evening, there will be a welcome service to the new pastor of the First Methodist church, Rev. R. H. Broom.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**—Rev. Nathaniel Harding, pastor. There will be an midnight service at this church tonight as is the usual custom. Morning prayer will be held on Sunday at 11 o'clock and at night.

There will be a mid-day celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. John R. Harding, D. D., of Utes New York, will preach at both the morning and evening service. Good music. All invited to attend any and all services.

Sunday school meets at 9 o'clock. E. K. Willis, Jr., superintendent.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**—Rev. R. H. Broom, pastor. Regular services in this church Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. Preaching by the pastor.

Sunday school meets at 9 o'clock. E. K. Willis, Jr., superintendent. All invited to attend any and all services. Good music.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**—Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor. Morning service and celebration of sacrament of Lord's Supper at 11:00. Sermon by the pastor, subject: "Glorious in the Cross of Christ."

Evening service at usual hour. A New Year sermon on "Lost Opportunity." Special music.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**—Rev. Robt. V. Hope, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.

Bible school, 3 p. m., A. F. Gurganus, superintendent. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at the usual hour.

Special music Sunday morning and evening. All invited to any and all services. Seats free.

### THE PROGRAM WAS ENJOYED

The program at the First Baptist church last night was well rendered and much enjoyed. Every one took the part assigned to them in a splendid manner. Especially pleasing was the part entitled "Little Christmas Candles."

Every member of the Sunday School, Home Department, and Cradle Roll was remembered.

Life is full of ups and downs, but unfortunately most of us are down more of the time than up.

### Rev. N. Harding Makes Interesting Address

At the recent meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union...

### WRITES LETTER TO PRESIDENT

The W. C. T. U. held a most interesting meeting this week. The chief law they desire to be enacted as a law for Washington.

At the recent meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union one of the features of the meeting was the talk of Rev. Nathaniel Harding, pastor of the Episcopal church, this city. This organization, among other things is making an effort to have the curfew law established in Washington and if this is done a great work will have been accomplished.

The following letter over the signature of Rev. Nathaniel Harding, has been addressed to Mrs. H. W. Carter, the president of the Union, Utes, that will prove of interest to all our readers. It follows:

Mrs. H. W. Carter, President W. C. T. U.  
My Dear Madam: Allow me first of all to express to you my high appreciation of the good work which the W. C. T. U. has accomplished and my sincere sympathy with the laudable objects they still have in view. It must be to you and to every member of your organization a satisfaction to feel that you have been able to do, has been affected not through any selfish motives but for the help, reformation and uplift of that unfortunate class that have fallen under the domination of strong drink and who are to be pitied rather than censured.

Your organization as its name denotes seeks to eradicate and to overcome the evils and intemperance by the practical application of Christian principles and I feel that you should have the open and avowed endorsement, sympathy and cooperation of all good citizens.

As to the curfew law which you are endeavoring to have enacted I do not see why any one who has the happiness and welfare of the rising generation at heart should have the slightest opposition. Such a law would be no invasion of parental authority but would tend to strengthen and enforce that authority. The curfew was first introduced into England by William the Conqueror with the avowed purpose to make the people throughout the realm more cautious and particular about the protection of material prosperity.

The object you have in view is the preservation of our boys and girls soon to be men and women in the next generation. They are to have in charge all the temporal affairs of the nation and are to make the future history of our country. Let us use all diligence to shield and protect them from the power of temptation and teach them early in life by the enactment of the liquor law that respect for law and order, which will be no curtailment of their liberty but will tend to their well being and happiness. I am, dear madam, with high regards,  
Yours very truly,  
NATHANIEL HARDING.

To Preach Tomorrow

Rev. John R. Harding, D. D. of Utes, New York, arrived in the city this morning. He will preach at the Episcopal church Sunday morning and evening. He is a son of the late Rev. Israel Harding of sainted memory.

Dr. Harding is one of the secretaries of the mission department of the Episcopal church in America. No doubt a large congregation will be present at both services to hear this gifted divine. He is the guest of Rev. N. Harding and wife at the rectory.

### SHOCKING NOTIONS

Mrs. Stetson Believes That Mrs. Eddy Will Return

### STATEMENT CAUSES COMMENT

Division in the Ranks of the Christian Science Church—The Directors of the Mother Church Say Such Reports are Lacking in Foundation.

New York, Dec. 30.—The campaign for supremacy in the Christian Science church is on. It is between Mrs. August E. Stetson, the ex-communicated leader of this city, and the directors of the mother church in Boston. The opponents of Mrs. Stetson admitted today that the church is now confronted by a grave crisis.

Mrs. Stetson's declaration that she expects the resurrection of Mrs. Eddy in the flesh is expected to win over to her many of those who have been wavering since the death of the sect's founder.

Mrs. Stetson has the complete support of her whole following in New York City and they are unanimous in their claim that she is the logical successor of Mrs. Eddy.

They accepted the declaration of Mrs. Stetson that Mrs. Eddy, like Jesus Christ, arose from her grave and assumes the corporeal habiliments of every day life and again become the guiding control of the church.

The material heads of the mother church in Boston—the board of directors and controllers of the affairs of the first church, deny Mrs. Stetson's interpretation of the principles of the new faith.

Here are the main points in Mrs. Stetson's official pronouncement, which is the first big gun fired by her in her campaign.

"The millennium is at hand. This is the end of the gospel age. Mrs. Eddy, who was the female Christ will return to earth. I am watching and waiting for the manifestation of Mrs. Eddy in the semblance of a human form. It may come today, it may come next week, it may not come for ten years, but it will surely come, and its coming will be hastened if an attempt is made to change the rule of Christian Science as it appears in the manual of the church."

This open declaration of belief in the immortality of Mrs. Eddy has caused the greatest religious sensation of a decade. Her opponents are already rallying to dispute her claim of leadership by repudiating the doctrine of the resurrection as she has set it forth.

To do this they present the writings of Mrs. Eddy herself. In an interview given out by Alfred Farlow, head of the publication committee of the Christian Science Church, he says:

"In her own writings Mrs. Eddy expressed herself as, inexplicably shocked at the suggestion of any comparison between herself and Jesus Christ. Many years ago she caused to be published this statement: 'A dispatch is given to me calling for an interview to answer for myself, am I a second Christ? Even the question shocks me. What I am is for God to declare in his infinite mercy. As it is I claim nothing more than what I am, the discoverer and founder of Christian Science and the blessing it has been to mankind which eternally unfolds.'"

The followers of Mrs. Stetson profess that when Mrs. Eddy again comes to life, she will ally herself with their forces and that the present anti-Stetson division of the church will be dissolved.

Mrs. Stetson herself declares that every day she is receiving communications and reports of demoralization in the field of Christian Science.

Her message to the world declaring that those in the church who doubt the resurrection of the late leader are like disciples who doubted the resurrection of the Savior, was taken today as a forerunner of an official declaration of ex-communication for those who doubt her belief.

Boston, Dec. 30.—Directors of the Christian Science Mother church today took up the challenge hurled at them by Mrs. August E. Stetson, of New York, and branded as "absolutely false" her statements that there is demoralization and corruption in the Christian Science churches throughout the country and that Mrs. Eddy will arise from the dead.

John V. Littlejohn was the spokesman for the board. He stated Mrs.

### REBELS WIN BATTLE

The Revolutionists Have Won First Victory

### HAVE PLENTY OF AMMUNITION

The Hornet has landed troops and there are now 2,000 men in the ranks of the rebels—Believed They Will Take the Capital in Less than a Week.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 30.—The Honduras regular troops have been defeated in a sharp battle with the revolutionary army headed by Lee Christmas, the American soldier of fortune, and General Bonilla, ex-president of Honduras and the rebels are now moving rapidly towards Tegucigalpa, the capital city, according to a private cablegram received here today from Puerto Cortes.

No official advices have yet been received confirming the report of the battle or giving details.

There are more than 2,000 men in the ranks of the rebel army and it is believed that the capital will fall before a week has elapsed. President Davilla has taken precautions to guard the capital against assault by throwing up breastworks and planting cannon, but these guns are old and of the smoothbore type, while the revolutionists are equipped with machine guns and plenty of ammunition.

The Guatemalan government fears it will be drawn into the conflict in Honduras and is now massing troops at Las Quebradas on the frontier. The Honduran gunboat Tatumbla, which has been out seeking for the filibuster Hornet, returned to port today without getting any trace of the mysterious ship.

The Tatumbla was anchored off the harbor front today with her guns pointing to sea. Today have the people such a feeling of security that many refugees who feared that the Hornet would attack Puerto Cortes from the harbor, returned to their homes.

Stetson in the following words: "You cannot hold the Christian Science church responsible for anything Mrs. Stetson says and the public should not hold it up against the church."

"Mrs. Stetson is excommunicated—outside the church. She has nothing at all to do with its affairs."

### THE PLOTTERS ARE DISCOVERED

London, Dec. 30.—The Daily Chronicle states that one of the theories that is being considered by the police regarding the discovery of a bomb factory in the East End on Tuesday is that it is connected with a plot intended to develop at the time of King George's coronation.

The police authorities attach the greatest importance to their latest discoveries in connection with the Houndsditch crime, in which three policemen were killed by burglars found trying to break into a jeweler's store.

In addition to a fully equipped bomb factory and all the latest appliances of expert cracksmen, they also claim to have found documents proving that the assassins belong to a desperate, highly organized international gang of world-wide ramifications.

Among those documents are said to be letters revealing a sensational plot and containing a great mass of information concerning the plans of the anarchists in London and in the Continental capitals.

The gang is known to have had a meeting place in Paris from which its operations probably were directed.

### ALL SHOULD ATTEND CONVENTION ENDS

The Oyster Industry Ends Its Task at E. Banquet an Elaborate One

### AN INTERESTING PROGRAM

It is Planned to get the Oyster Industry Out of Politics in the State. Recommended a Committee to Take Charge of the Question and Handle Same.

Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 29.—The oyster convention, the first meeting of the kind ever held in this city came to an end last night when the banquet adjourned in the Masonic hall, after having spent an enjoyable evening partaking of the hospitality of the Retail Merchants' Association. Ex-Judge J. B. Leigh was the toastmaster and he presided in his own inimitable style.

The banquet was an elaborate one in which Chairman Bell sustained his reputation as a master at planning and preparing such functions. During the banquet resolutions drafted by the convention's committee were read and discussed. The main theme dealt with in the resolutions was the plan to get the oyster industry out of politics and resolutions recommended that a commission composed of four members, with Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt as chief, shall be created to take charge of the oyster industry in the state. The other members of the commission are to be appointed by the governor.

With some men the desire to be president is a ruling passion. December is the slowest month in the year—for the little folks.

Most interesting and profitable programs have been prepared for these meetings. A premium of \$1 will be given for the best loaf of bread baked and exhibited by a girl or woman living on the farm. A premium of \$1 will be given for the best five ears of pure-bred corn.

The following well-known lecturers will be present:

W. N. Hutt, Horticulturist, state department of agriculture; G. W. Warren and T. Frank Parker, assistant agronomists, state department of agriculture.

All farmers and their wives, sons and daughters and all others interested in the great subject of farming and the betterment of farm lands are urged to attend these meetings and join freely in the discussions. All who attend are requested to bring a pencil and tablet so as to be in a position to take notes. The boys are especially invited to attend and learn something about the boy's corn clubs.

The Daily News hopes there will be a large attendance at every meeting in this county.

### MORE ROOM IS GREATLY NEEDED

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—The annual report of the state board of charities recommends to the general assembly that the appropriation for the maintenance of the three state hospitals for the insane, be increased from \$545,000 to \$685,000 and insists that there should be additional room provided at the Raleigh hospital and at the Goldsboro hospital for negroes. The board also wants a \$50,000 receiving building provided, where special cases can be received and treated specially by experts.

The board recommends a parole board to relieve the governor of the pardon burden.

To Be Repeated

Part of the music rendered Friday night at the First Baptist church will be repeated at the Sunday evening service.

At this service a very pleasing token of New Year wishes will be presented to every one attending the service.

And it sometimes happens that a man likes to have his wife get a mad she won't speak to him—then she will not ask him for money.

### ROBIN IS HELD

Bank Wrecker is Charged With \$90,000 Theft

### FACES \$25,000 BAIL OR JAIL

His Play at Insanity Keeps Him in The Hands of His Family, Pending a Physician's Report on His Condition—Another Bank Falls in New York.

New York, Dec. 29.—If took the grand jury just an hour today to indict Joseph Robin on a charge of the larceny of \$90,000 from the Northern Bank of New York, now in the hands of the state banking department.

He was immediately placed under arrest at the home of his sister, Dr. Louise Robinson, but his arraignment was postponed until tomorrow when he must give bail in \$25,000 or go to jail, pending either a trial or determination of his sanity.

Technically Robin is insane now. The order of commitment signed by Justice Amend at the request of Dr. Robinson and on the certification of three other physicians, still stands, although the private sanitarium to which Robin was taken refused to receive him.

An agreement was reached between District Attorney Whitman and William Travers Jerome, counsel for Robin, whereby physicians should make a physical examination of Robin.

The Washington Savings bank went into the hands of the state banking department today to keep company with the Northern Bank of New York, and further indictments are expected to follow this new development.

### THE WEEK OF PRAYER

In accordance with the recommendation of the Christian Alliance of America and the custom in many places, the Ministers' Union of our city has arranged the following series of services for next week:

Monday evening at M. E. church, Rev. H. B. Searight, leader; subject, "The World's Approach to God."

Tuesday evening at Disciples Church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, leader; subject, "The Larger Vision."

Wednesday evening at Baptist church, Rev. R. H. Broom, subject, "Christian Unity."

Thursday and Friday evenings at Presbyterian church, subject, "Missions, Mr. Cameron Johnson, leader. These will be illustrated talks on missions.

All of these services are inter-denominational, meant to promote Christian harmony and unity, and to deepen the spiritual life of the church.

The service on Wednesday night will be a welcome service for the new Methodist minister, Rev. R. V. Hope will preside, and make the address of welcome.

The entire public is cordially invited to these meetings, and it is to be hoped that they will be largely attended, to the end that we may enter upon the New Year in a spirit of prayer and consecration to our Master's service.

### YOUNG CHILD RUN OVER

Hilda, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Armstrong was run over late Thursday afternoon by a colored boy riding a bicycle. The boy had no light on his wheel and in consequence the little girl failed to see him in time to escape. Dr. Jno. C. Rodman was called and rendered the necessary medical aid. She was painfully though not seriously hurt, receiving quite a gash on her face.

### TRAVELER AND LECTURER

Mr. Cameron Johnson of Richmond, Va., and for twelve years a missionary in China and Japan, is expected here next week, January 6 and 6.

Mr. Johnson has traveled all around the world, studying missionary life and problems, and taking pictures of places and objects of interest. These pictures were developed by the finest Japanese artists, and Mr. Johnson has a splendid apparatus for exhibiting them. He is coming under the auspices of the Presbyterian church and is hoped that all who are interested in missions and travel will avail themselves of the rare opportunity of hearing Mr. Johnson and seeing his exquisite pictures.

**Specials From Now to Jan. 1st**

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Light Evening Shades in White, Pink, St. Beno and Pink. Price per yard, 39 cents

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**LADIES COAT SUITS REDUCED**  
Some Extra Good Values at  
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**STOP!**

You'll find this week's bill an exceedingly attractive and pleasing one—the best subjects.

Don't figure on a dull evening tonight—drop in and see the show.

**SILVER CLOUD'S SACRIFICE**  
(An Indian Drama.)  
**A RIP OVER THE ROCKIES AND BELLSHIRE** (Comedy)  
**THE LASSIE'S BIRTHDAY**  
(Dramatic.)  
**THE MARKED TRAIL** (Western Drama.)