

Among the new Christmas toys is a miniature Ferris wheel.

The estimated value of all the exhibits at the World's Fair is \$100,000.

Rhode Island is to have a new \$2,000,000 State House, built entirely within the State.

It is reported that 500 families will locate in Brazoria county, Texas, during the winter.

It is expected that the Cape Cod cranberry bogs will produce 150,000 barrels of the red berries this season.

France has had 67 Queens, of whom thirteen, an odd number for luck, are said to have led comparatively happy lives.

Foreign capitalists will build a \$1,000,000 beet sugar factory at Omaha, if farmers will raise 6,000 acres of beets annually.

The widow of Abner, the Irish lynched at New Orleans, was given a verdict of \$5,000 damages by a jury of that city.

Another cotton mill has just been completed in North Carolina, being the ninth this year. It is at Long Shoal, and will have 5,000 spindles.

A five year old son of Mrs. Healey, at Middletown, Conn., fell down stairs and broke a glass lamp, a piece of which cut his throat and killed him instantly.

Washington Duke, of Durham, gives the North Carolina Methodist Episcopal Conference \$500 for the fund for superannuated preachers, widows and orphans.

The Germans here, it is said, discovered that a satisfactory kind of paper can be made from the refuse scraps that have hitherto gone to waste in breweries.

Major M C Kiser, the Atlanta merchant who died recently, left \$500 to each of his clerks and servants who had been in his employment for five years.

Natchez, Miss., is the home of a negro who claims to be 109 years old, and who is still in the full enjoyment of health. He goes regularly to church every Sunday.

Near Brownsville, Texas, two girls were savagely attacked by a wild cat, but the appearance of a wild cat, or a fierce battle, the girls were victorious.

One of the African Steamship Company's vessels recently steamed for 60 miles near Senegal through bays that thickly covered the surface of the water.

Whalebone has been selling as low as \$2 a pound in New Bedford. The decline is due to the unprecedented catch of the whaling vessels in the Arctic Ocean last winter.

Mexico wants the Corbett-Mitchell fight. The revolutionists would probably suspend their campaign until after the mill was over. The entire crowd could easily be two big fellows.

The late Alfred W Shield, of Richmond, Va., has left his farm, with all its stock, improvements, etc., to his two colored servants, and stocks and bonds valued at \$18,000 to the University of Virginia.

John Hill, of Derby, England, who is nearly ninety-one years old, was initiated into Prince Edward Lodge of Odd Fellows Christmas Day, 1893, and is probably the oldest living member of the order.

A farmer living near Chestertown, Md., has become insane on the subject of the Ferris wheel. When he was 20,000 feet turned from the World's Fair he set about making a wheel of his own, and became crazed on the subject.

A citizen of Birmingham has sold 100,000 acres of land to a French syndicate. Some colonists are negotiating for a 24,000-acre tract in Tennessee. With a little push the South can sell lands to millions of settlers.

Famine walks the streets of Chicago, says The Times of that city. The half has not been told. Many churches are now thrown open at night to shelter the homeless, and the newspapers urge all of them to open their doors to the unfortunate.

Edward H Payson, cashier of the First National Bank, Boston, with which he has been connected since 1828, celebrated his ninetieth birthday on Tuesday. He spends the business hours of each day at the bank, as he has done for the last sixty-five years.

Do you take the Standard?

TO LEAVE SHARON.

The trouble between Mr. Siler and the church. The Commission of Mecklenburg Presbytery to settle the Sharon matter met yesterday. There were present, Revs. J. A. Preston, Frank D. Hunt and Elders Geo. B. Hanna and John E. Oates. The only member absent was Rev. John H. Boyd, who was detained by sickness.

The result of the congregational meeting at Sharon on last Sunday was presented by Mr. J. K. Rankin. Two votes were taken by the congregation, the first by ballot, as to the individual desire of the members in regard to Mr. Siler's remaining as pastor of the church. This vote stood 104 to 34 in favor of his remaining.

The second was as to the expediency of his remaining, and this vote was 78 to 32 in favor of the pastoral relation being sustained.

After a careful consideration of the matter, it was decided, as best for the interests of all concerned, to dissolve the pastoral relation, which was accordingly done. The following resolutions were unanimously passed by the commission:

Resolved: That in dissolving the pastoral relation between Rev. E. L. Siler and Sharon church, the Commission of Mecklenburg Presbytery desires to express its appreciation of the earnest and prayerful spirit manifested by said congregation in the recent congregational meeting, and its evident desire to serve the best interests of the church and at the same time deal in entire fairness with their pastor.

It is the sense of this commission, that while the existing condition of the affairs is such, as would be likely to impair Mr. Siler's usefulness in the Sharon church, yet we believe that he has tried in the whole matter to act honestly and conscientiously, and anything that may appear to the contrary we believe arose from an error of judgment and not of intent.

The trouble between Mr. Siler and the church arose from an unfortunate love affair in which he and a lady of the congregation were concerned. They were engaged and were to have been married on the 6th of December, but as his affections underwent a change, he so informed her and asked to be released. Her family is a prominent one in this section, and the matter occasioned no little talk, and trouble, ending in his resignation as pastor of the church being tendered. The action of Sunday, and of the commission appointed by Presbytery, yesterday, is the conclusion of the whole matter. —Charlotte Observer.

J. N. Ingram in New Jersey. Noon Ingram lectured in Jersey City, N. J. He advocated making Hawaii a summer resort. A marked paper from there has an article, the first paragraph being:

"The congregation of the Tabernacle were treated last evening to an entertaining discourse upon the customs of the inhabitants of the Sandwich Islands. In view of the present efforts of the Queen of Hawaii to regain a throne from which she had been deposed and the part this country is playing in the affair, the subject was an interesting one, and it was handled by one whose skill as a student and writer upon such topics had already been attested by the thousands of readers of Frank Leslie's publications and The Chautauquan. He is J. N. Ingram. In 1876 he went to California and served on the staff of the San Francisco Evening Post with Henry George as one of his conferees. Subsequently he went to Australia, and from there to the Sandwich Islands, from which he returned about four months ago. A map of the Western Hemisphere showing the location of the islands was exposed to view.

The lecturer reviewed the recent history of Hawaii, the overthrow of Queen Liliuokalani and the establishment of a Provisional Government. The minister sent out by the present Administration in this country, the lecturer said, found things he didn't expect to find, among which were four hundred equipped American people supporting the Provisional Government. "The Provisional Government still lives," said the speaker, "and likely to continue so. The interests of civilization and of commerce demanded a change of government."

"The great traveler and lecturer doesn't exactly agree with Grover, the man at the wheel."

At Clinton. A dispatch to the Wilmington Star from Clinton, N. C., says that fire broke out there Friday morning in Smith's saloon, on "Grog Row," (which was burned) and extended to Aman & Barden's saloon, and a number of places of business. The losses were G Smith, 300; D Underwood, 500; D M Patrick, 2,500; Russel & Bodenhammer, 300; Aman & Barden, 150; J L Rose & Co, 250; J E Royal, 3,000. There were other losses which cannot be estimated. No insurance.

Sheriff Cook's House Burned. The residence of Sheriff John W. Cook, of Guilford county, about five miles distant from Greensboro, was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning. The sheriff and his wife were in Greensboro at the time of the fire. The neighbors gathered together as promptly as possible and saved a good deal of the household goods, but a large part was destroyed. There was no insurance on the building.

GOES TO SOUTH CAROLINA

Judge Simonon Gets the Appointment to Circuit Court Judgeship. Washington, Dec. 11.—Judge Simonon, of Charleston, S. C., was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Circuit Court judgeship caused by the death of Judge Bond. The first federal office held by Judge Simonon, was his present office of the United States District Judge, to which he was appointed by Mr. Cleveland during that gentleman's previous administration. It is also notable, politically, that it is the first considerable appointment given to South Carolina since the fourth of March. Mr. Simonon has the endorsement of the South Carolina delegation in Congress, and the bars of Charleston and the State generally.

His selection is the most gratifying to his friends, inasmuch as he was chosen from a large list of competitors residing in the several States of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina. One of these was Senator Faulkner and the other Leo Knott, who filled the office of second assistant Postmaster General under the first Cleveland administration.

Judge Simonon is 63 years of age. He was born in Fairfield county, S. C., but removed to Charleston when a lad and has since resided there. He held the rank of colonel in the Confederate army during the war. He has been active in State politics and was one of the Democratic leaders in the State Senate for years.

[North Carolina deserves nothing; her men dilly-dally and boost a dozen or more men. Some one has said: "United we stand, divided we fail."]

The Bulls Recovered. The Greensboro Record contains this: This is a tough story and don't sound reasonable; but we are assured of its correctness by various railroad men.

We published a notice the other day about four cows falling from a cattle train between this place and Danville while the train was in motion.

It seems like they would have been killed or maimed by such a fall but the conductor of the train informed the Record Saturday night that he recovered them, safe and sound.

They were found at different places along the route, two or three miles apart and were taken care of by the farmers and turned over to the railroad company.

The conductor thinks there were five in all, if so there is yet one to be accounted for.

Old railroads say that such accidents are not infrequent and that it is seldom a cow gets hurt in falling from a moving train, though if the train is standing still and one jumps she generally breaks a leg or is disabled in some way.

It is Well to Remember.

That black cotton hose should be dried and ironed on the wrong side to prevent fading.

That calico should be washed in clean water, dried in the shade and turned on the wrong side to dry.

That black and white calicoes are benefited by having a handful of salt added to the rinsing water.

That red tabbies keep their color if a little borax is added to the rinse water and they are dried in the shade.

That it is not needful to boil white clothes (unless very dirty) and have the house filled with steam every week.

That if the clothes are folded and laid in a large rinsing tub and boiling water poured on generously it answers the purpose.

That bed-ticking apron with a large pocket across the bottom is better than either.

That a basket exposes the clothes to dust, and the clothes suffer accordingly. —Good Housekeeping.

It Condemns Baseball and Football.

At yesterday's session of the Conference at Wilmington the following was adopted: "Whereas, We believe intercollegiate games of base and football to be dangerous to the health, life and morals of many of the young men; and

"Whereas, Some of our people refuse to patronize institutions where such games are played; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we do most heartily condemn said games as now played, and earnestly request our schools and colleges to refrain from the same."

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DEATH OF BISHOP MOORE

of the A. M. E. Zion Church—The Oldest in America. Rt. Rev. J. J. Moore, D. D. senior bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, died at Greensboro Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He was the oldest bishop of any denomination in America, being 90 years of age. He was an itinerant minister more than 60 years. His labors extended from New England to California, including nearly every State in the Union. In 1879 he spent several months in Great Britain where he preached in many of the leading churches and received the degree S. T. D. from one of the English colleges. At the time of his death he was the presiding bishop of the third Episcopal district, embracing the Western and Central North Carolina Conferences.

He will be interred at Salisbury by the side of his wife, under the auspices of Bishop T. H. Lomax, D. D., who is holding his Conference which is now in session in this city. The interment will take place Tuesday and the Conference will attend it in a body.

Bishop Moore was born in Virginia, but was taken to Maryland, where he spent his early life, and began his career as a preacher, after close application as a student under private instruction. He preached in that State, New York and Pennsylvania, and then went to California in 1847, where he preached and organized churches and gained great fame as an eloquent and impressive preacher. While holding the South Carolina Conference seven years ago he met his sister for the first time in 61 years and the greeting was a most affecting one.—Sunday Charlotte Observer.

Death of an Old Newspaper Man. Washington, Dec. 9.—Mr. James A. Harvey, in days gone by a well known newspaper man and for eight years United States minister to Portugal, died at his residence here today, aged 86 years. He had been a resident of this city during the larger part of half a century. He was born of Irish parentage in Charleston, S. C., and coming North was connected with the Philadelphia North American for 20 years. Politically he was a Whig and opposed to the war, which fact evoked much bitter criticism when President Lincoln appointed him minister to Portugal. He was secretary of the congressional campaign committee in the Tilden campaign.

Robbery of a Texas Bank. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 9.—The safe of the Elano National bank, of Elano, was blown to pieces last night, and robbed of all the currency and part of the gold in it, from \$6,000 to \$10,000. The robbers took no silver. The bank kept the bulk of its funds in the Dallas bank. It has been reported for some days that the Daltons had been camping near Elano of late, and it was believed they were the robbers, particularly as an anonymous letter was recently found warning the citizens of Dallas county that the Daltons had planned to rob several banks in that section.

The Baptist State Convention. Raleigh, Dec. 9.—A special to the Observer from Elizabeth City says: The Baptist State convention of North Carolina devoted the second day to the discussion of reports on Wake Forest college, Sunday schools and female education.

A resolution was introduced advocating co-education, but the discussion was deferred.

Charlotte, N. C., was selected as the next place of meeting.

F. C. McConnell, of Atlanta, Ga., spoke on "Home Missions."

R. J. Williams, of Richmond, Va., and R. T. Bryan, of China, speak Sunday night on "Foreign Missions."

The Postal Note Must Go. The joint commission charged with the investigation of the methods of business in the executive department has held an important conference and reached certain conclusions that will effect material changes in the working of the Post office Department if carried into law. Some of these changes, which involve the lopping off at least two or three bureau chiefs, have received strong opposition from the under officials of that department. One of the leading members of the commission states that it was the purpose of the commission to put some of the cumbersome features of the department on a business basis.

Before the legislative bill is reported some striking reforms will be tacked on that measure.

One matter finally determined on is that the postal note must go. It has outlived its usefulness, and the commission is of the opinion that paper money can be sent with equal security through the mails.—Washington Post.

Colorado's silver business may have slumped, but her gold output has jumped, and will show an increase this year of more than 100 per cent. over that of last year. The depression of the one industry has reacted to uplift the other.

MILLIONS FOR THE SOUTH

Favorable Report on the War Claims Bill. Washington, December 8.—Ex Congressman Hemphill, of South Carolina, appeared before the house committee on the judiciary this morning, and made an argument in favor of the extension of the act providing for the settlement of captured and abandoned property war claims.

The bill affects thousands of people throughout the south, who suffered from spoliation during the rebellion. It proposes to extend the benefits of the present law to those persons whose claims have been adversely determined by the courts upon the ground of disloyalty, without taking into consideration the effect of the president's proclamation of pardon and amnesty.

There is a fund of about eleven million dollars now in the treasury which would be affected by the extension of the act.

Immediately after Hemphill's argument the committee decided to report the bill favorably to the house.

[This is what we need to make things howl. But there is too much between us yet to have strong hopes of getting these millions.]

Young Girl Murdered by a Negro.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 9.—A 15 year-old negro named Sol Horner attempted to outrage Miss Lizzie Kelly, a 15-year-old white girl, daughter of a prominent family, last evening near Harrisburg. The girl fought desperately and saved her honor but sacrificed her life. The negro cut her throat with a pen knife and then took to the woods. The girl was found in the road in a dying condition, but told the terrible story through gasps while her blood spurted from the gash in her throat.

The sheriff and a posse of several hundred citizens followed the negro and he was captured last night and is now being guarded in Harrisburg. His clothes were covered with blood.

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AN OPEN LETTER.

CONCORD, N. C., December 4, 1893.

Dear Mr. Editor—You will remember I wrote you a short time ago that there was an effort being made to find if there was any way to stop that wide awake business house of Morrison, Lentz & Co. from selling goods so cheap. I was walking down Union street a few days ago, and I met a lady beautifully dressed. Her cloak was of the newest pattern and the most beautiful material. Her dress was of the late fashion, and the fin quality. Her shoes were beauties and her gloves were of the newest shades. I stopped her and asked her where she got such a charming outfit. She told me she purchased them from Morrison, Lentz & Co. She also told me they always keep the newest things at the lowest prices. I went in to see them. Mr. Lentz met me at the door. I asked him to show me just such goods as I described this lady wore. He said, "Yes, sir, we have them." I was surprised at the prices he gave me. I bought just what I wanted, paid my bill and started to go out, when an idea struck me that I owed them an small bill for goods I had bought during the summer. I paid it in full, thinking they might need the money; for, Mr. Editor, you know it is pretty tight times now, particularly with a merchant. He needs money all the time, but more especially at this time than any other. He sells goods during the summer to accommodate his customers with the expectation of them paying him back in the fall, and he lays his goods expecting partly to pay for them from his collections. Now this firm is doing a good business, and we want to help them all we can, and my advice to every one of my readers is to ask themselves if they owe them a bill, and if they do to owe them. For we certainly want such obliging, courteous business men to succeed.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.

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We are offering a very large stock of LAMPS in great variety of styles, at prices ranging from fifteen cents up. We have fine decorated vase lamps, beautiful banquet lamps in nickel and polished brass with linen and silk and lace shades, German student lamps, hall and library lamps, wall lamps with reflectors, sewing lamps, reading lamps, with white porcelain and fancy and plain paper shades; kitchen lamps, tubular street lamps, tubular lanterns, bull eye lanterns, dashboard or driving lanterns, and every kind of burner, chimney and fixture for lamps. If you want anything in this line just remember that we are headquarters. Come and see us. We sell

PRATT'S ASTRAL OIL,

which is conceded to be the highest standard of burning oil in use.

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assures to the consumer PERFECT SAFETY, with the highest satisfaction in illumination, giving a clear white flame as long as a drop of oil remains in the lamp.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as the Executor of the estate of Mary I. Fagart, deceased, all persons owing said estate are hereby notified that they must make immediate payment, or suit will be brought. And all persons having claims against said estate must present them to the undersigned, duly authenticated, on or before the first day of November, 1894, or this notice will be filed in bar of their recovery. JOHN R. BRADFORD, Executor. Oct. 14th 1893. By W. M. Smith Att'y.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as the Administrator of the estate of Lesh Crowell, deceased, all persons owing said estate are hereby notified that they must make immediate payment, or suit will be brought. And all persons having claims against said estate must present them to the undersigned, duly authenticated, on or before the 15th day of November 1894, or this notice will be filed in bar of their recovery. ADAMSON CROWELL, Administrator. Oct. 14th 1893.

VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.

My farm on Coddle Creek, No. 3, containing between 500 and 600 acres of land, is for sale. This land will be sold in a body or divided up to suit the purchaser. For further particulars call on Mr. A. E. Lentz. This Nov. 13, 1893.

Mrs. S. E. GIBSON.

WALTER BEASANT

Walter Beasant has been talking to a London reporter about his American tour and here is what he has to say of Chicago: "You have not seen America at all until you have been to Chicago. New York is a cosmopolitan city; Boston is not America, Boston is old; Philadelphia is asleep. But in Chicago you are in the very heart of the country; you are at the center of everything. Chicago will be to America what Babylon formerly was to Asia."

CONCORD MARKETS.

COTTON MARKET. Corrected by Cannon & Fetzer. Low middling.....61 Middling.....61 Good middling.....61 Sins.....5 to 6

PRODUCE MARKET.

Corrected by C. W. Swink. Bacon.....10 to 12 Sugar-cured hams.....15 Bulk meats, sides.....12 Butter.....15 to 20 Chickens.....12 to 15 Eggs.....55 Lard.....15 Flour (North Carolina).....2.60 Meal......60 Oats......45 Tallow......45 to

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Spot Cash,

for it. We are sorry that we cannot use all the butter you offer us, and suggest that you use your butter and sell your lard. Be sure you see our shoes before you buy. Respectfully,

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