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GOLDSBORO, N. C., Dec. 14, 1899.

THE STATUS OF OUR ISLANDS.

It is the evident theory of the Administration that the cession of Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands by Spain to the United States...

It is held by learned lawyers that when Congress shall do away with military control and substitute therefor a civil government such action will be tantamount to annexation...

The question of the status of our new insular population is very important. It will soon press for judicial determination. The Protectionist journals which have been quick to denounce President McKinley for proposing free trade with Porto Rico...

INCREASE of the wages of cotton mill operatives in factory towns in Massachusetts, Vermont, Georgia and South Carolina present three important points for the consideration of the student of industrial affairs...

LONG estrangements of nations are occasioned by political differences, but commerce ignores them whenever opportunity offers. The exportation of American goods to Spain...

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Financial and Commercial.

Special Correspondence.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11, 1899.

Business has continued to be of very large volume for the season, although new operations in many lines have been on a smaller scale...

Cotton prices have receded 1 of a cent as a result of speculative realizations encouraged by a moderately increased movement of the crop and weaker reports from Liverpool...

The wheat market, having been relieved from the pressure of liquidation by December option holders—the chief bearish factor prior to the 1st instant—has this week advanced 2 1/2 to 2 cents per bushel...

The facts are notable that notwithstanding there has been a little falling off in exports of late, the aggregate for the season since July 1 has been only 3,000,000 bushels less than that of the corresponding period last year...

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Mother and Babe

NONE but a mother knows the pains, anguish and dread that a woman endures before and during childbirth. And still nearly all this suffering is unnecessary...

The Cotton Crop. Washington, December 9.—The final report of the Statistician of the Department of Agriculture on the acreage and production of cotton in the United States for the year ending August 31, 1899, is ready for the press...

A Barkeeper Shot Dead. Smithfield, N. C., December 11.—News reached Smithfield yesterday of a shooting at Jerome, N. C., a station on the A. C. L. railroad...

Two State Items. The Supreme Court decides an insurance company can withdraw its charter, filed by an attorney, without the knowledge of the company.

State Treasurer's Balance Sheet. Raleigh, N. C., December 8.—The State Treasurer to-night gives out the following statement of receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ended November 30th...

Five thousand people were killed by the earthquake and tidal wave on the island of Ceram in November. The steamship America Maru, which arrived at San Francisco, Cal., brought this terrible news.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnson of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862...

Obstinate. I HAVE OPENED A COMPLETE stock of fancy groceries and canned goods in connection with my bar and salient your holiday trade.

Becky Jones, DR. MILES' Restorative Nerve. "When I was released from prison my health was broken down. My nervous system could not recover from the strain. For ten years life was a burden. Good physicians did me no good. I used Dr. Miles' Nerve and Tonic and today I am entirely well."

Horror in a Coal Mine.

Carbonate, Washington, Dec. 9.—The greatest mining accident in the history of coal mining occurred this morning when a terrible explosion occurred in Shaft No. 7 of the Carbon Hill coal mines...

The scenes around the shaft were heart-rending. Women and children gathered, bewailing the loss of husbands, fathers and brothers. Several dead bodies have been brought to the surface...

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Is Baby Too Thin? If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right?

SCOTT'S EMULSION. to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it.

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CHOICE Vegetables will always find a ready market—but only that farmer can raise them who has studied the great secret how to obtain both quality and quantity by the judicious use of well-balanced fertilizers.

Flop Griddles! the best thing in the world for cooking Buck's heat Cakes.

High-Grade Bicycles that will close out at cost for cash.

Do You Eat! If so you can't fail to call on me if you desire.

L. K. STALLINGS, TAX NOTICE. Taxes Must Be Paid. Those who have not paid their taxes for 1899, are respectfully requested to do so at once.

W. A. DENMARK, Tax Collector.

WANTED—A RESPONSIBLE FIRM wants official manager at Goldsboro salary \$1200 year \$500 cash and best references required.

EXECUTION SALE—I WILL SELL at public auction at the court house in Goldsboro on Monday, January 1st, 1900, at noon, one tract of land located in Grantham township...

Farm For Sale or Lease. In Indian Springs township 7 miles south of Goldsboro—part of old Cobb place—125 acres good river land, don't overflow; 125 acres up-hill—day soil—good for any crop.

GRAND FALL OPENING AT EPSTEIN BROS. Are you ready? We are, with the handsomest stock of Fall and Winter Clothing FOR MEN, BOYS and CHILDREN.

Epstein Bros., ODD FELLOWS' CORNER, GOLDSBORO, N. C.

Christmas Jewelry, Novelties, Etc., Etc. You can have a nice line of goods to make your selection from and satisfaction guaranteed by giving us your patronage.

L. D. GIDDENS, Jeweler, Goldsboro, N. C. WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY IF YOU ARE IN NEED.

Heavy and Fancy Groceries, LIME, CEMENT, PLASTER, LATHS and HAIR. Baker & Eason, WEST WALNUT STREET, GOLDSBORO, N. C.

Take Notice! The undersigned takes pleasure in announcing to the citizens of Goldsboro and surrounding country that he has opened a JUNK SHOP.

L. LEVIN, Next door to Asher Edwards' Store. GOLDSBORO'S GREAT DEPARTMENT STORE! ASHER EDWARDS, Proprietor.

Special Sales on Dress Goods. 50 pieces Fancy Plaids for Skirts at 10 cents per yard. 25 pieces All Wool Cheviots—latest style—regular price 35 cents, now only 15 cents per yard.

LADIES JACKETS AND CAPES. Special attention is called to our handsome, stylish and elegant line of Ladies Jackets and Capes...

Have Opened a Saloon. Stocked with the finest Liquors and Wines. Everything is Pure, Nothing Adulterated.

LIPMAN KIEWE, East Centre St., next to Asher Edwards. Money Saved is Money Made.

A Great Deal Lower than you can buy them elsewhere? If low prices will sell goods, we are going to sell them this season regardless of profit.

D. W. COBB & CO., East Walnut St., Op. Mayor's Office. SCOTT'S ACROSTIC.

Beef and Pig Pork! Veal, Mutton, Green and Bologna Sausage.

STALL-FED BEEF. Is always up to the standard. Game and Dressed Poultry of all kinds can be had at S. Cohn & Son's.

LAND FOR SALE! The undersigned offers for sale two tracts of land lying in Great Swamp Township...

DR. JNO. M. PARKER, D. D. S. Office over Miller's Drug Store.

Notice to City Tax Payers! The City Taxes are in my hand for collection, and all those interested will please come forward and pay the same.