their subscriptions, or their names will be dropped, as the new management requires it. Marriage and funeral notices, in ad-

vance, fifty cents. Standing and transient notices, per line, five cents each insertion.

RALEIGH, N. C., JANUARY 2, 1897.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Rev. B. Young was in the city last week.

Mr. G. H. Makepeace, of Sanford, was here Monday of last week.

An account of the Old Ladies' dinner will appear next week. Mrs. Charles Caldwell favored us with

a renewal this week. Rev. James H. Dunston, of Morrisville, was in the city Tuesday.

A good cook is wanted at St. Augustine's School. Apply to Rev. A. B. Hun-

If you want a good meal go to Richardson's Restaurant on Wilmington

Mr. George Taylor left the city to-day for Kittrell, N. C., where he is attending

Mr. W. H. Leigh and brother, of Forestville, called to see us this week, and gave us a renewal.

Presiding Elder, Rev. F. K. Byrd, of

Wilson, passed through the city on his way to Chatham county. Prof. A. B. Vincent says his meetings

a few days ago at Selma and Savannah. N. C., were eminently successful. Rev. Robert Lucas left the city last

week for Clayton, N. C., to attend his pastoral duties. Rev. Lucas is a worthy Miss Maud Young, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Kittrell, N. C., during the Christmas holidays, has re-

turned home. Miss Maud reports a nice Messrs, A. J. West and Thos. H. Bullock, students of Shaw University, have gone to their respective homes to begin

teaching in the early spring, Prof. Wilson Caldwell, of Chapel Hill, N. C., was here last Monday and called on us. Prof. Caldwell is a jolly good

fellow, and a 'hustler from a way back.' Call again, my brother. While returning home from Weldon a few days ago we were pleased to meet Mr. J. H. Shaw on his way to Louisburg (his home) from Hester's, N. C., where

he has been engaged in blacksmithing. Mr. G. F. Smith, of Franklinton, spent a day or so in our city last week looking after his leather sales. Mr. Smith is a first class tanner. He informed us that his family had been sick for several days.

We publish in another column a notice in regard to a Civil Service Examination to be held to fill vacancies in the Internal Revenue Service. Let those interested take due notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Mrs. M. E. Miller, wife of Rev. S. A. J. Miller. pastor of Cox Memorial Church, arrived in the city a few days ago, and is now domiciled with her husband at No. 609 South East Street, where they will

gladly welcome their friends. The ladies who were soliciting aid for the Oxford Orphan Asylum thank the friends for their contributions toward the box. Through the efforts of the committee fifteen cakes were received and enough money was realized to purchase fifty

pounds of candy. Rev. J. C. Love, of Webster, N. C., who is now a student of Shaw University, has won a great reputation as a pulpit orator. His discourses are full of logic. The students of Shaw University were recently commissioned by Dr. N. F. Roberts, D. D., to attend the First Baptist Church of this city to hear Rev. Love

Among the subscriptions and renewals since our last issue may be noted Messrs. A. J. West, Thomas H. Bullock, D. J. Emerson, J. T. Barber, Rufus E. Harris, S. B. Thomas, Abb Mills, Allison Taboon, C. F. Marriott, S. S. Powell, Joseph A. Stewart, Robt. Holland, Wm. Whitaker, James Carter, Rev. T. O. Fuller and Mrs.

We were pleased to meet while in Henderson Saturday, December 11th. Messrs. W. H. Reavis, W. H. Cook, A. Clark, A. B. J. Wyche, Rev. R. Spruill, J. R. Young, J R. Eaton, G. W. Claiborn, D. H. Gill, James G. Gill, D. M. Hawkins, Matthew Hinton, Hons. T. S. Eaton, Henry Perry, M. M. Peace, J. M. Wat-son, lawyer J. Y. Eaton and others. Many thanks to lawyer Eaton for kindness shown.

Ruth Chapter, No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. P., James H. Young; W. M., Mrs. Lucy M. Davis; A. M., Mrs. Nancy Hayes; Treasurer, Mrs. Frances Atkins; Secretary, Miss F. E. Anderson; Conductress, Mrs. Rosa Morgan; Associate Conductress, Miss Sallie Upperman. The W. M. made the following appointments: Adah, Miss Elnora Mitchell; Ruth, Mrs. Eliza Wortham; Esther, Miss Maggie Hayes; Martha, Mrs. Eliza Dunston; Electa, Miss Joanna Thompson; Warden, Mrs. Hattie Christ mas; Sentinel, Mrs. Bettie Perry. These officers were duly installed by P. S. G. P., James H. Young.

The First Baptist Sunday School at its session on December 20th, re-elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: Superintendent, James H. Young; Assistant Superintendent, A. J. Rogers; Secretary, C. L. Gary; Assistant Secretary, Miss L. V. Hunter; Treasurer, H. J. Dunn; Chorister, Prof. G A. Mial; Librarians, Messrs. Henry Massey and Otis Murray; Organist, Miss M. M. Cardwell; Assistant Organist, Miss Lucy Grant. Miss N. D. Rogers was elected Assistant Chorister in place of Mr. E. J. Overby, who is now residing in New York. All the present teachers (43 in number) were reappointed by the Super-intendent. They had their Xmas feast last Saturday afternoon.

Rev. J. C. Barker, the traveling agent for the Old Folks' Home, was in the village on last Sunday visiting Sunday schools and churches. In his earnest manner in setting forth the claims of the aged and infirm, he made quite a favorable impression, and the villagers seemed aroused in behalf of the Old Folks' Home and contributed freely to the cause, and invited him to come again in behalf of this worthy cause.

WILLIS M. GRAVES.

Missionary.

New Era Institute at Lumberton, January 12-14, 1897. A very instructive and interesting meeting is expected. A. B. VINCENT,

Mrs. James H. Young Dines the Gazett e Staff—An Excellent Dinner

On last Sunday afternoon Mrs. J. H. Young very pleasantly surprised the editor in chief of the GAZETTE and his staff by presenting them with a very fine Christmas dinner at her residence on East Lenoir street. This dinner was given es-

pecially for the GAZETTE staff. The respective guests were all present, and about 2:30 P. M. Miss Maud Young brought a message from Mrs Young announcing the readiness of dinner. The guests who had been very pleasantly chatting in the parior repaired to the dining room where we found the table laden with many good things. Chief among all was "that big, fat turkey" roosting at the head of the table, of which Prot. W. F. Debnam took charge, and after prayer by Rev. Joseph Perry, proceeded to carve in grand style.

At this juncture the interesting race for eating began, and it was exceedingly doubtful to tell who won this race, but Rev. Perry, who has the reputation of being the biggest ham eater in town, came out first, with Mr. Alex. Jeffreys, who was very hard on the dish of macaroni, as the Rev.'s second. Editor Young, who sat at the foot of the table, didn't talk much, but oh my, and, by the way, he was seen on the second or third help with a bigger piece of turkey than any

Prof. Debnam did well, for he talked much, carved and ate as much as any man. Mr. Crudup, some how or other, got tangled up with his glass of water and upset it. This incident kinder em-barra-sed Jordan and we were unable to know how he came out. Little Rich. Smith, who is given to chills, and this being his chill day) would not allow the chill to prevent him from eating, so Rich. postponed the chill until he got through and went home. The last we heard of Rich, he was home wrestling with that

Mr. G. W. Taylor, with his fatness, played his part fine and was equal to the occasion. Mr. A. J. Rogers, who is very modest and impresses one that he is a preacher, laid off this modesty and proved to be a good runner in the race. Mr. Henry Alston, who is frequently called 'Parson," was a little late in arriving, but was at once put to eating. We think he was the lightest eater at dinner. Mr. Edward Saulter, who had been ailing for a day or two, was taken sick as soon as he was seated at the table and had to leave the dining room. As he made his exit Mr. Saulter turned his head and gave that turkey a wishful farewell. He was too sick to eat. Dinner was over when Rev. Braz. Johnson arrived. This was serious news to the Rev. So much so that he became frustrated and in walking across the parlor floor collided with the

swinging lamp. Mrs. Young assured Rev. Johnson that there was enough left for him. This

changed the Rev.'s looks. The GAZETTE staff present were Messrs. James H. Young, editor in chief; W. S. Mitchell and A. J. Rogers, general traveling agents; Edward Saulter, office clerk; Henry Alston, city local editor and col-lector; Rich. Smith and Alex. Jeffreys, paper folders; G. W. Taylor, ex-office clerk; J. D. Crudup, ex-city editor and collector; Rev. Jos. Perry and Prof. W.

F. Debnam, honorary members. While we were taking dinner we were also charmed with sweet strains of music from the parlor from the touch of Miss

Maud on the piano. Mrs. Young's dinner was nicely prepared and every thing exquisitely arranged. She is a real entertainer and knows just how to make it pleasant for

her guests. The writer of this made good time in the "eating race," but could not keep up with the rest on account of taking a little time to catch items.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Prof. Debnam to Mrs. Young for her most excellent and much enjoyed Christmas din-

We wish that Christmas would come W. S. MITCHELL. oftener.

Democratic Inconsistency.

The Democratic newspapers are very much exercised over the report that Senator Pritchard may announce before the time for electing a Senator arrives that he is as firmly and zealously in favor of

free coinage now as he has been in the past, and that he may further agree to represent the expressed sentiment of the General Assembly which elects him during his six years term. They make all manner of charges with a view of frightening somebody, but they seem to forget a little history of only six years stand-ing. It will be remembered that the Farmers Alliance adopted what was called the sub treasury plan at its meeting in the early part of 1890, and that Senator Vance, whose term was about to expire, in the campaign of 1890 ridiculed the plan all over the State and finally denounced it as unconstitutional. This was the most serious charge that could be made against a measure, and yet when the Legislature of 1891 met-and was controlled almost entirely by men who were members of the Farmers' Alliance—and passed a resolution "in-structing our Senators to vote for and

use all honorable means to secure" the Sub-Treasury plan, Senator Vance, not-withstanding his opposition to the meas-ure, said: "Gentlemen, I will obey your instructions." Upon that promise, he was re-elected to the United States Senate, and upon no other condition could he have been elected. Now, if Senator Pritchard in accordance with his own views and in obedience to the instructions of the General Assembly as expressed by resolution on the siver question, should agree to carry out those instructions and should be re-elected it will not lie in the mouth of the remnant of Democrats in this State to criticise or find fault in the premises, for their great leader set the example in 1891 under similar circumstances. Let the Populist and Republican members of the General Assembly pay no heed whatever to the carpings of the Democratic newspapers and politicians, for with all of their villi-

fication, misrepresentation and abuse of the Legislature of 1895, the people of this State ratified the actions of that body by an increased majority. They will do the same in 1898 if this Legisla-

ture does its duty conscientiously and fearlessly. SENATOR PRITCHARD RESENTS THE IMPUTATION.

Senator Pritchard requests the publication of the following: WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17, 1896.

umns of your paper to refer to a state-ment contained in this week's Caucasian to the effect that there is "a bold, brazen and deep-laid scheme on the part of Mark Hanna and his allies to capture the Legislature of North Carolina." The intimation contained in the article in question, to the effect that Mr. Hanna and his committee will attempt to buy the votes of Populist members of the Legislature, is entirely without foundation. No such thing has ever been contemplated by the Republican party, and the statement referred to is made with a view of intimidating those Populist members who rec-ognize it to be their duty to comply with the agreement entered into two years ago between the two parties as well as to observe the pledges made to their constituents during the last campaign. The people of North Carolina are honest and conservative and I resent the intimation that any member of the North Carolina Legislature will sell his vote for United States Senator or on any other question.

Respectfully, (Signed.) J. C. PRITCHARD.

Methodist Conference.

WILSON, N. C. The North Carolina Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church met in this town on Wednesday, the 2d inst., Bishop C. R. Harris presiding. The weather was very inclement, a large snow having fallen Wednesday and Wednesday night. Notwithstanding this the opening sessions were well attended.

Bishop Harris' address to the Conference was one of his best efforts. It was scholarly and with the force of eloquence and power; it stamped impressions for good upon his hearers. Bishops J. W. Petty and J. W. Hood.

ris. Mrs. Bishops Petty and Harris were The reports of presiding elders for the past year were highly satisfactory, the reports being received and adopted by the Conference.

The Bishop made the following ap-

pointments for the next Conference year:

Presiding Elders.—Wilmington District, Revs. D. T. Mitchell; Cape Fear District, S. B. Hunter; Washington District, W. J. Moore; Newbern District, John H. Hooper; Mission, Wm. Sutton. Pastoral Appointments. — St. Luke (Wilmington), Revs. P. L. Cuyler; Price's Chapel (Wilmington), E. B. Williams; St. Peter's (Newbern), R. S. Reeves, D. D.; Clinton's Chapel (Newbern), H. C. Phillips; Whiteville, S. M. Lloyd; Lake Waccamaw, H. J. Blanks; Mt. Pleasant, J. W. L. Council; Carver's Creek; S. H. Lovett; Clarkton, E. A. Carroll; Lumberton, A. R. McKoy; Brown's Chapel Circuit, T. H. Hicks; South Port, W. J. F. Moore; Greenville Sound, E. S. Burnev; Summerville, D. L. Maultsby; Magnolia, W. H. Wilder; Garland Circuit, W. H. Fulford; Mt. Olive, W. H. Farrar; Kinston, E. D. Jones; White Oak, E. S. W. Simmons; Goldsboro, H. Bell; Wilson, N. D. King; Tarboro, H. P. Walker; Greenville Station, L. B. Williams; Washington, G. H. Mial; Elizabethtown, H. H. Bingham, Jumping River Circuit, W. McMillan; Aurora Circuit, A. F. Moore; Morehead City, S. B. Gaskill; Harlowe Circuit, B. W. Morris James City, J. H. Moseley; Treaton, Jno. E. Morris; Pollocksville, R. G. Smith; Swansboro, T. D. Harrison; Jacks mville, W. M. Badger; Bayboro, L. B. Blackledge: Kinston Circuit, J. Nelson; Goldsboro Circuit, J. E. Hussey; Beaufort, A. A. Crooke; Hookerton Circuit, W. A. Keys; Dover Circuit, F. B. House; Stantonburg Circuit, O. F. W. Smith; Snow Hill Circuit, P. W. Lawrence; LaGrange, A. M. Martin; Rocky Mount, J. B. Smith;

Clinton, -; Rehoboth, T. H. Hall. A number of churches sent up petitions to the Bishop asking for the return of their Presiding Elder and pastor.

United States Civil Service Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has ordered that an examination be held by its local board in this city on Saturday, January 16, 1897, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m., for the Internal Revenue service. Only citizens of the United States can be examined. The age limitations for this examination are as follows: For clerk, not under 18; for all other positions, not under 21 years. No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned, on the proper blank, before the hour of closing business on January 12, 1897. Applications should be filed promptly in order that time may remain

for correction if necessary.

The Commission takes this opportunity of stating that the examinations are open to all reputable citizens of the United States who may desire to enter the service, without regard to race or to their political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They shall be examined, graded, and certified with entire partiality, and wholly without regard to any considerations save their efficiency, as shown by the grades they obtain in the examination.

For application blanks, full instructions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, pply to— N. A. BROWN,
Sec'y Board of Ex. Int. Rev. Service,
P. O. Address, Raleigh, N. C.

DEATHS.

From Earth to Heaven.

Mrs. Mattie Rhodes died Monday morning at 1:30; aged about 22 years. She was a member of the First Baptist church, a lovely young woman, a devoted wife and daughter. Scarcely had she ripened into full womanhood before the fatal breath of disease had blown upon her and to-day we say, "Mattie is dead." Not dead, only gone before to await the coming of loved ones, and where the bodily sufferings are over. To the husband and children, mother and all other relatives, we extend our heartfelt sympathy in their sad bereavement, and can only point them for comfort to "Him who doeth all things well."

The funeral was held at the Second Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Worlds officiated, assisted by Rev. Leak. A large concourse of people at-tended the funeral. The Household of Ruth, of which she was a member, turned

Mrs. Mary Smith, wife of Mr. Alfred Smith, died on the 14th instant at the residence of Mrs. O. J. Carver, with whom she had been living for many years. Her husband died just one year previous, lacking one day. Mrs. Smith was the grandmother of Mrs. James H. Baker, of this city. She was nearly one hundred years of age.

Miss Alveretta B. Pulley, of Pilot, N. , the daughter of Mr. John Pulley and adopted daughter of Mr. Allen Thomas, departed this life on the 26th inst., at the age of seventeen years. Her life was that of a Christian. She was loved by all who knew her, and her last words were that she was willing and ready

WHEREAS, God has blessed and taken from our midst the beloved one. There-

She was a zealous worker of the Sunday School, and leaves behind her many friends to mourn her loss. LAURA E. HEARTSFIELD.

Notes From Halifax.

On our visit to Halifax a few days ago we were glad to meet Prof. C. C. Baker, from Scotland Neck, who is an applicant for the postoffice at his home. Prof. Baker had the misfortune to lose a house by fire a few days ago. Also Messrs. Esau men-and successful farmers, from Weldon. F, B. Whitehead and Whit. Har-You will permit me through the col- die, from Brinkleyville, and Thad Byrd, Edward Cheek, Hon. J. H. Arrington. Hon. J. H. Hannon and Edward Cheek are conducting the grocery business together. Mr. Cneek is also teaching school at Brinkleyville township. Mr. J. H. Hannon, Jr., is a leading young business man in his town, and is doing a splendid

grocery and saloon business. Halifax town is an old quiet place. Her people are clever and kind. We noticed many old residences still standing to mark her old age.

Hon. J. H. Hannon proved himself at the last election to be a leader indeed. He did valuable work for McKinley, Russell and Hon. G. H. White. He also carried his county, with the assistance of others, by a large majority, the largest of any other county in the State for the Republicans. Mr. Hannon is an original McKinley man, and well deserves a good office from Mr. McKinley.

During our stay in Halifax we were taken care of by Mrs. Cherry Cheek, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cheek and Hon. J. H. Hannon, for which we return many thanks.

W. S. MITCHELL. Resignation of Pastor Christmas.

The Rev. L. T. Christmas, pastor of the

Central Baptist Church, colored, has tendered his resignation, to take effect January 10th, when he leaves for Charleston, West Virginia, to become pastor of the First Baptist Church, colored, of that city. He came here eleven years ago as way in securing it."—Washington Post. city. He came here eleven years ago as pastor of the Central Baptist Church, and has done a great work in that time. His congregation numbered forty when he first came, and did not own a lot, using a little school-house near the corner of Seventh and Red Cross streets as a place of worship. The congregation now embraces a membership of 300. They own D. D., were present assisting Bishop Harthe lot on the southeast corner of Seventh and Red Cross streets, and have erected a handsome brick church that cost \$15 .-000. The members naturally regret to see their faithful pastor go, and the fol-

lowing resolutions show how he was eseemed by them: WHEREAS, The Rev. L. T. Christmas, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, has for more than eleven years rendered faithful and most excellent service as paster in every possible way, having taken charge on the 14th day of October, 1885, when we were only few in number and scattered, without a house of worship (excepting a very small tabernacle).

or even a lot; and WHEREAS, He has honorably and ably led, not only the church, but the community, race and denomination, on a high and aggressive plain, morally, re-ligiously and educationally, producing great revolutions in our church circles in the city and State, moving all to increased activities in Christian works and operations-our church having purchased a beautiful site on the corner of Seventh and Red Cross streets, upon which we have erected a substantial and magnificent brick church, with all the modern improvements, at a cost, all told, of \$16,-000, with a remainder of only \$700 indebtedness now owing on the property;

WHEREAS, The pastor did, on December 8th, 1896, tender his resignation as pastor of said church, to take effect January 10th, 1897, which was unanimously rejected by the Board and church, additional inducements having been made for the retention of the pastor, the same being refused by him and insisting upon his resignation, whereupon the church, having no other alternative, did, on the 17th inst., accept the resignation of her

beloved pastor; therefore, be it Resolved, That while it is with deep pain and sore regret to part with such a leader and servant of God, still, as the great head of the church has called him to another field, in the far west, we humbly bow to the Divine edict, and do most cordially and cheerfully commend him to all saints, especially those of his prospective location as an earnest, persuasive and uncompromising embassador and advocate of the Gospel, and worthy of the love and full confidence of all; and bespeaking for him and the "bride" (the First Baptist Church of Charleston, W. Va.) a triumphant and glorious march

Asking the prayer of all for the continued success of our well-begun work, Yours fraternally,

A. MIDDLETON. H. J. WHITEHEAD, JAS. M. WHITTED, H. M. MYERS, MAJOR JOHNSON, A. S. HENDERSON.

Done by order of Central Bap. Church, December 17th, 1896 .- Wilmington Mes-

Senator Thurston Interviewed.

Reports have been current of late in North Carolina to the effect that the National Republican Committee was seeking the re-election of Senator Pritchard, whose term expires March 4th next, in, order that his vote might be secured to aid any Republican financial proposition that might come before the next Congress. It has also been alleged in Populist sources that Senator Pritchard has agreed to support any measure that the gold monometallists of New York may advocate. To these reports a vigorous denial has been entered, particularly by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, who, knowing Mr. Pritchard quite intimately, is, perhaps, better able than any other member of the committee to speak with some authority on the matter. With these campaign stories in his mind, Senator Thurston yesterday afternoon said: "So far as I am advised of the views,

of which I am a member, concerning the Republican National Committee of the enatorial situation in North Carolina, they are these: "The Republicans seem certain forty-two seats in the next Senate. If Mr. Mantle, of Montana, should act with us, as I hope he will, at least on tariff matters, we will have forty-three. We would then need at least two more votes

together with the vote of the Vice-President, to secure the passage of a tariff act. We hope to secure those two votes from Kentucky and North Carolina. "The members of the National Committee, so far as I know their sentiments. are very anxious that a Republican tariff measure should become operative at the beginning of the next fiscal year, July 1st. It seems almost evident that no tariff legislation of a satisfactory char-

acter can pass Congress and become a law at this session. The expectation is that such a law can be passed at the ex-traordinary session, to be called soon after the 4th of March. "Senator Pritchard is the choice of the Republicans of North Carolina. He came into the Senate two years ago with views very favorable to the use of silver as money. We understand that he is still a friend of silver. For my own part I thoroughly understand that Senator Pritchard has been opposed and is opposed to anything which tends toward gold monometallism. His silver views,

however, furnish no good reason why we should not desire his return to the Senate. He is a strong protectionist; has always been so. North Carolina has vast interests that demand protection. I feel certain, therefore, that in spite of his silver views he would be willing to assist us in passing a tariff act with reasonable protective provisions, and I do not think he would carry his friendship for silver to the extent of trying to force a free silver amendment on our tariff bill.

"The National Committee, if I understand the feeling of its members, is not particularly concerned about financial legislation; it has no such legislation to propose; it recognizes the fact that the country has declared in favor! of the Republican policy of protection; that the unemployed people of this country have the first right to demand relief, and Senator Pritchard's re-election may be absolutely necessary to secure the passage of a Republican tariff measure. If he is defeated we are one vote more short in the Senate; our ability to pass a revenue act is doubtful, and as a result the country may be left to suffer under the Wilson bill without any chance of relief for the next two or three years. In addition to this, Senator Pritchard has won the good will, esteem and friendship of the mem-bers of the Republican National Committee by the honest and manly manner in which he has carried on the canvass of the Republican party in North Carolina. He has not sought to misrepresent his position on the silver question, or to mislead his own people or the Republi-cans of the country. If he comes back into the Senate we know he will still be

a friend of silver. "I understand it is claimed in some of the Populist papers in North Carolina that the National Committee is anxious Perry, deceased. to secure Mr. Pritchard's re-election in

the interest of the so-called gold bugs of New York. If any assurance were necessary that the Republican National Committee is not dominated by the gold sentiment, or subservient to the demands of the gold men, it is found in the fact that

Onward and upward should be the watchword of our race for 1897. The GAZETTE should be placed in every colored family in North Carolina for 1897. Its record for the past year is second to no colored paper in the United States. It was the champion paper for co-operation by which one hundred and thirty thou-

sand colored votes were cast and counted.

Rocky Mount Grits.

Let each friend get his friend or friends to subscribe. Mr. Pompey Horne has moved his family to Wilson, where he will make his future home. We regret very much to see Mr. Horne leave our town, but our loss is Wilson's gain. Mr. Horne is a strong race man and believes in a thorough education among his people.

A good many of our young men and ladies spent Christmas in Tarboro. Miss Rosa Gray, to the delight of her many friends, spent Christmas with them

Mr. Hugh Thorpe spent Christmas with relatives. Some young lady was glad in-deed. We won't tell her name yet. Miss Theodosia Horne went to Wilson last Sunday. A certain young man looked very sad at South Rocky Mount. Hush! We hope the Representatives in the en-suing Legislature at Raleigh will not interfere with the Rocky Mount postmas-tership. It is said the fight will be carried there. But our people will object in

the highest to it. We see that Dr. A. M. Moore, of Durham, is being mentioned for the superintendency of the Insane Asylum at Goldsboro under the incoming administration Dr. Moore is one of the foremost colored doctors in North Carolina and the administration would do honor to the colored race by giving him the appointment without any controversy. We think we will voice the sentiment of Eastern North Carolina when we say, "let him be appointed." He is being endorsed by the leading Democratic and Republican newspapers of the State, also the leading white doctors of the State.

The Masonic Lodge held its annual anniversary last Sunday at the First Baptist church. Rev. J. V. C. Barnham, of Weldon, preached the sermon for the fraternity. The lodge is in a flourishing condition and doing much good. W. S. ARMSTRONG.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATRIX.

Having qualified as Administratrix of Anna P. Smith, deceased, I hereby give notice to all persons having claims against said estate to present them on or before December 26th, 1897, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. And all persons indebted to said estate are also notified to pay what is due by them to me. SARAH JANE PETTIFORD, Administratrix of Anna P. Smith.

This is Convenient.

Dec. 22, 1896.

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NOTICE. Latta Unsversity will be closed during the Christmas holidays for all the session for the purpose of rebuilding the build-ings that were consumed by firelast May, and also additional buildings. The University is located in the village of Oberlin, N. C., one and one-half miles west of the capitol building in the city. The location is the very best for a school, being out of the busy city, but within easy reach by means of the electric street cars. It is enough to say, that there has not been a single case of serious illness since the establishment of the school. Each dormitory is heated by stoves and hearths, so every necessary comfort is secured. The terms are very reasonable—\$7.50 per month. Those desiring to reduce their expenses by work will be taken at the lowest possible rates: young men \$6.40 per month; young women \$5.40 per month; day students \$1 per month. A small incidental fee will be charged.

The school will recover on the 7th day

The school will reopen on the 7th day of October, 1897. Our purpose is to make it one of the largest schools in the South for the race. Law and Medicine will be added. The institution is wholly non-sectarian in its religious instruction or influence. Yet earnest attention will be given to Bible study, applying its truths to daily life and conduct, that a thorough Christian character may be obtained. It is open to all students of either sex. None but competent teachers will be em-

For further information, address the President, Rev. M. L. Latta, D. D. I will leave for the North and Europe the latter part of December or the first of January, and will return time enough to have buildings completed by the re-opening of the school. The University opening of the school.
will contain eight buildings.
dec. 5—6 m.

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SALE OF LAND TO MAKE ASSETS.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court, rendered in the special proceedings brought before the Clerk entitled, "C. H. Williamson, Adm'r of Isaac Perry, deceased, vs. Dilsy Adams, John Ivory et als.," I will sell at public auction at the Court House door in Raleigh, Wake County, N. C., Saturday, January 16th, 1897, at 12 o'clock, to the highest bidder, for cash, two lots of land in the town of Wakefield. N. C., and known as the "School House" lot and the "Richardson" lot, belonging to the estate of Isaac

C. H. WILLIAMSON, Com. December 2, 1896. dec12-4w Notice.

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