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Charlotte Observer.

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CITY BULLETIN.

Day after to-morrow, children Nothing in the Mayor's Court yesterday There is already some talk of getting up a party for the New Orleans Mardi Gras.

The confectioneries and fancy stores are crowded with customers, buying Christmas

"Cake walks" are having a run of unpre cedented popularity among the colored peo-

So far as we are able to learn, there will be unusually few business changes with the advent of the new year.

Quite a number of the members of the legislature have passed through the city in the last few days, on their wuy to their respective homes for the holidays.

It has never entered into the heart of man to conceive such a day as yesterday was. It was a mingling of sunshine, warmth, rain and cold, and is indescribable.

There is a noticeably subdued look in the eyes of those turkeys which have come to a realizing sense of the fact that the time for them to be effered up has about come, and the hour of their departure is at hand.

Mr. H. A. Garvin has bought up all the bill boards, and has applied to the Board of Aldermen for license as city bill poster. Orders left at the office of N. C. Harry & Co., will be attended to.

A strapping white fellow, who says he is from Nortolk, Va., reported to the police last This is twelve hours earlier than we have night, that he had no money and no place to stay. He was given lodgings in the lock- about twenty-four hours earlier than they

succeed, and then "nothing succeeds like leave here over the North Carolina Railroad, success." The register of the Central Hotel last night showed 113 arrivals at this deservedly popular house yesterday.

To vindicate himself of the charge of being ad-d scoundrel, one man knocked out two or three teeth for another. Time, yesterday afternoon; place, Burwell, Grier & Co's wagon yard. No cards.

There was a bouyant feeling in the market yesterday, and a slight rise, an advance over # having been obtained by some buyers. the market, and among the stock, there was

rather an unusual amount of stained cotton. Sermon on Foreign Missions. We are requested to say that Rev. J. M. Todd, of Winnsboro, S. C., will preach a ermon on the subject of Foreign Missions. in the Associate Reformed Chapel this even-

ing at 7 o'clock. All interested in this great and growing work, are invited to attend.

The Houston Bankruptcy Case. Thos. B Keogh, Esq., of Greensboro, Register in Bankruptcy, is in the city. He came yesterday morning, for the purpose of appointing an assignee in the case of W. H. H Houston, bankrupt. He was at work the greater part of yesterday, but no appointment has yet been made. We understand it to be probable that the assignee will be Capt. F. S. DeWolfe, Assistant Cashier of the Merchants' and Farmers National Bank, or Col. John E. Brown, or perhaps both of them.

Fire Crackers and Christmas.

After a good deal of suspending and re-enacting, the city council has determined that it shall be an offence for boys to indulge themselves in fire crackers, &c., during the holidays. Just what effect this action of the Aldermen will have on the boys, remains to be seen. We have our own opinion about it, and that is that about a thousand policemen, seventy-five Mayors and four hundred calabooses will be necessary to the enforcement of the ordinance, and then it will be but a partial enforcement.

Fight in Court, We learn from a private source that a fight occurred on Monday, in a Trial Justice's Court, at Lancaster C. H., S. C., between two opposing attorneys, Col. J. D. Wylie and Benjamin Clyburn, Esq. The difficulty sprang out of the case on trial. Mr. Glyburn called Col. Wylie a liar. He was asked to repeat it, which he did, whereupon Col. W. struck him a heavy blow with his fist, knocking him down, and cutting a gash in his forehead.

A Rumor.

It is currently reported in Statesville, and the rumor was brought down on the train yesterday, that the United States Senate has refused to confirm Dr. J. G. Ramsay as Internal Revenue Collector, for this District, and that Dr. J. J. Mott, the former incumbent, has been reinstalled. We understand further, that this information was conveyed to Statesville by means of a letter from Dr. Mott himself, who is at present in Washing-

A Plea for the Carriers,

most of them are saucy and desperately

Dallas, Gaston County.

A special meeting of the County Commissioners was had on Monday, to consider the subject of rebuilding their Court House, which was lately burned; and after a lengthy discussion a resolution was passed appointing a mechanic to refit the old building. However, considerable dissension seemed to exist among the members of the Board, and some of the commissioners afterwards invited Mr. Welch, the architect, to prepare a sketch for improving the old building, which he agreed to do, before the next meeting.

The Centennial Celebration.

It begins to look now as though some definite steps were about to be taken, looking to the holding of the much talked of cen-tennial celebration. The Board of Aldermen, at its meeting on Monday passed a resolution to meet with the Board of Commissioners on the first Monday in January, and consult as to the hest means of celebrating the event. These gentlemen will, no doubt, devise some plan. We sincerely hope they will. While this will not be simply a local celebration, any more than the glory of the Mecklenburg Declaration is confined exclusively to Mecklenburg, still, it is very certain that no outside aid or encouragement will be extended so long as Charlotte and Mecklenburg county are apathetic.

Mail Line on the Carolina Central, J. W. Wadsworth & Co. have contracted for the carrying of the mails through on the Carolina Central Railroad, until their contract for carrying it shall expire. The mail came through last evening for the first time

under this new arrangement. Henceforth, the morning papers of Wilmington will ar-rive in Charlotte on the same day of their publication, and so the morning OBSERVER will reach Wilmington in the evening. ever received the Wilmington papers, and have before received ours, owing to the fact True merit will cause any enterprise to that the OBSERVER of the morning could not

until in the evening.

Stealing Locals. When we were young in the reportorial business, before experience had set furrows on our placid brow, and before our raven locks had been whitened by the frosts of many winters, we got very mad when we saw our locals feating around in our exchanges as the emanations of the loafer who stole them. But this is so no longer. We are proud of it, now, and it was a feeling of conceit which prompted us to mark in an ex-There was not a great deal of the staple on | change yesterday and show to a friend, thirteen locals which had been stolen from uslocals, too, over which we struggled and chewed tobacco till our head ached, locals that we thought were too good for this world, and one of them was a religious lo-

If some of the local editors of this age had lived in the days of St. Paul, they would have stolen his epistle to the Romans from the proo! sheet, before he could have gotten it off through the mails to that people; and then Paul would have sworn, and would have gone to the bad place, just where all those fellows who systematically freeze to our choicest items are going, and we would have no hopes at all of ever seeing him.

[Who'll be the first to steal this one?]

Meetings of the Board of Aldermen. On Monday night, the Board of Aldermen held a meeting, at which it was resolv ed to suspend, during the holidays, the ordinance prohibiting the use of fire crackers, Roman candles, &c. In addition to this an order was passed in reference to the laying of sidewalks, which we will publish

Another meeting of the Board was held yesterday afternoon at the hall over the Market House, when a memorial was presented and read, which was signed by a large number of the property owners of the city, asking that the Board would rescind the order. made at their meeting on Monday night last, suspending, during the Christmas Holidays, the city ordinance which prohibits the firing off of tire crackers, Roman candles, &c., in the city. After hearing the memorial read, it was, on motion of Alderman J. F Davidson, ordered by the Board, that the request of the memorialists be granted that the order of last meeting in reference to fire crackers, Roman candles, &c., be rescinded, and that the ordinance be enforced, prohibiting the firing of these and other explosive substances.

Good Move.

Mayor Davidson has appointed a special policeman (Mr. William Bryant) to take charge of the West end of Trade street, say from the corner of Trade and Mint to the Air-Line Depot, whose duty it shall be to report to the Mayor all violations of the city ordinance against fast driving. Mr. Bryant will begin his new duties this morning by notifying all draymen of the ordinance, and of his determination to report all infractions

We commend the course of the Mayor in this, and hope that he will be sustained by the Board of Aldermen. The habit of fast driving which has prevailed recently to so great an extent among draymen, is very dangerous, and is a source of actual terror to On Christmas Day, our carrier boys will country people, who complain of it no little. wait upon the city subscribers to the Os- Some days ago, a countryman who came SERVER, with addresses suitable to the festive to the city with some produce to sell, wanted occasion. They will expect a contribution, a gentleman who desired to purchase it to greater or less, from each patron, and we walk clear off the business streets to a place feel sure that there are but few who will dis- where he had left his team, saying that he regard their appeals. Those who find the was afraid to drive up into any of the prinmorning paper lying at their door, oft times | cipal streets, as the reckless manner in at daylight, in Winter and Summer, sun- which dray mendashed around, might shine and storm, know how to appreciate cause his horses either to be hurt or to run the labors of the carrier, and must rather away. Another instance of this evil. is. feel a kind of thanks to him, notwithstand- that a few days ago a countryman was riding they may have paid for the paper to be | ing a spirited horse up Trade street, when delivered there. It gives us pleasure a drayman, dashed, by him with many to put in a plea for the boys. Though the whips and flourishes. This so frightened wicked little scamps, they are nearly always he threw his rider, whereupon the drayman prompt in the discharge of their duties, and stopped, and cursed and laughed at him for not being a better. the horse that he reared and plunged until

always cheerful about it.

So make them, good friends, a small donation; you will never miss it, and they will appreciate it.

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The Air-Line.

The pay train on the Air-Line Railroad crived in Charlotte yesterday afternoon at 5:30, having left Atlanta Tuesday morning. The new Master of Transportation, Col. John B. Peck, of Atlanta, arrived on it; this is his first trip over the Road. The train brought also, paymaster W. R. Biggers, who paid up the employes of the company along the line, for the month of August. Col. Peck represents the road as in excellent condition, and thinks there is nothing in the way of its making a handsome surplus over its expenses except the lack of rolling stock, We learn from Col. Peck that Mr. Fisher who was recently appointed Receiver on the part of the New York bondholders, by the United States Court at Sayannah, passed down the Air-Line yesterday on his way to Atlanta. It is supposed that he will make application to Judge Hopkins to revoke his own appointment of Col. L. P. Grant, as Receiver, but what action Judge H, will take on this application, remains to be seen. It is hardly probable, however, that he will undo what he has himself done. Mr. Fisher has given bond and is ready to take charge of the Road.

rain to Atlanta.

an amateur opera for the benefit of the an office bearer in the church, to the local to correct and explain. The gentleman named says there is such an entertainment in contemplation for the benefit of the Memorial Association, but that the congregation of the Second Presbyterian Church their Church by this method.

It the public knew just where we got the obnoxious item, and from whom, it would not blame us for publishing it without further questioning. Indeed, we would richly deserve to be mobbed did we doubt anything coming to us from such a source. We didn't doubt, we listened with credulity to the song of the syren, we published this story, and now we are listening, with christian meekness, to the story of how we have libelled a whole congregation.

Henceforth we shall never publish anything without first seeing it. When this "amateur opera" is held, we shall be there and shall say something about it; not before. Now you can swear to that.

Johnstone Jones, Esq., Principal Clerk of the Senate and editor of the State Agricultural Journal, arrived in this city yesterday mornug, and will remain here during the holi-

It pleased us yesterday to have a call from our talented friend, J. B. Hussey, Esq., the

editor of the Statesville Landmark.

at the Central Hotel. We were glad to see in our office last even-

James Mallard, Esq., local editor of the Statesville Landmark, called on us last night. He is just getting back from the Wilmington Fair, where he paid expenses by peddling Sally Michal pipes, and jet pipe stems. Where he has been since the Fair closed, and what he has been doing, is one of those things

ast evening, on the Wilmington train. Col. E. R. Liles, a prominent citizen of Anson county, is in the city, and is stopping

What They Say of Us.

M. J. McSween, Esq., editor of the Fayetteville Eagle, was in Charlotte last week. He writes a letter to his paper, in which he speaks in the following complimentary terms of our

"I spent yesterday in Charlotte

most rapidly growing

families and persons coming in to live from all the surrounding country. Some 30 splendid new buildings, mostly stores, are now going up, at a cost of \$15,000 to \$25,000 each. The house of Wittkowsky & Rintels, the largest mercantile firm in Charlotte, and said to be the largest dry goods merchants in the State, will do a business this year, I am told, of \$750,000. This is nearly double their former business. Another firm, with a finer store, Elias & Cohen, will do nearly as much, and there are 8 or 10 other wholesale and retail houses that will do from \$100,000 to \$500,000 each. More cotton is brought in Charlotte this year than ever before, and they say a much larger amount of business will be done, I see a large wagon trade in Charlotte from all the country around, but mostly from the more western counties of the State. The Air Line Road to the Atlantic bring a very large trade to Charlotte—more, perhaps, than any other line. Six railroads now centre in Charlotte, and even the patronage of the railroad conductors, and em-ployes and their families, and the passengers, &c., would keep up a small enty. There are five banks, all prosperous, and they have more money on deposit from farmers, probably, than all the other banks in the State have from the same source. The cotton crop is said to be splendid all over this country this year, and not over half of it has yet been sold. More than twice as much cotton is raised

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Col. P. returns this morning on the 6:12

In for it Again.

Yesterday morning we published a local item, reading as follows : "There is talk of Second Presbyterian Church:" and now we wish we hadn't published that item. "Please correct that; all a mistake," said historian yesterday morning, and we hasten would frown any attempt to raise money for

Col. John B. Peck, the Master of Transportation of the Air Line Railroad, arrived in the city last evening, and took quarters

ing, our young friend John Syme, of Ral-

no fellow can find out. Col. S. L. Fremont arrived at the Central

at the Central Hotel.

city in North or South Carolina. The population there is now put at 8,000. at least, and is rapidly increasing by

in this section as formerly. Corn and supplies are generally plenty, also.

"Farmers and people around Charlotte are not in debt like our people on the Cape Fear. Wholesale houses in Charlotte send out drummers. over the upper counties of North and South Carolina, and into Georgia

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

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Advertisements.



YOU are hereby ordered to meet at Hall over Market House, on Wednesday evening the 23rd inst., at 7 o'clock. A full attendance required as business of importance to be at-

tended to. By order of F. A. McNINCH, G. W. TAYLOR, Secretary.

dec 23 1t TOTICE

FIRST NAT. BANK OF CHARLOTTE, Charlotte, N. C., 22, 1874. Fridsy, the 25th instant, being a legal holiday, this Bank will be closed. Notes and acceptances falling due on the 25th, must be attended to on the 24th inst.

M. P. PEGRAM, Cashier. dec 23 2t

DANK HOLIDAY NOTICE. COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK, Charlotte, N. C.

This bank will not open CHRISTMAS. on that day, are payable the day before, (Thursday, 24th ipst.,) as provided by law.

A. G. BRENIZER,

PAKEN UP. A horse left hitched in the lot adjoining my Marble Yard, which the owner can have by proving property, and paying expenses for feed and advertisement.

F. A. McNINCH. dec 23 1t WOOTENS' EXPRESS

Has established an office at J. M. Leak & Co's Store for carrying freight on both divisions C. C. Railway. An agent will be there to receipt for all goods for that line.

F. M. WOOTEN,

Proprietor.

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CHARLOTTE TO CHARLESTON

CRAND EXCURSION

For the Christmas Hotidays. For the pleasure, and accommodation of these who wish to take a cheep and pleasant ride to the Sea Coast, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Charlotte on THUES-DAT, December 24th, and returning, leave

Charleston Monday, 28th. SCHEDULE: GOING SOUTM. Leave Charlotte, Morrow's. Fort Mills, Rock Hill, Chester, Arrive Columbia Leave Columbia, Arrive Sumter, Mavesville Timmonsville Florence, Leave Florence Arrive Charleston, Leave Charleston. Arrive Florence. Leave Florence. Arrive Timmonsville Mayesville,

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