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CITY BULLETIN. A merry Christmas to ye!

Drunks? There were no ends to them

The city was posted yesterday with the

pills of Haverlay's Minstrel Troupe. Now don't drink egg-nog till you will be shamed to look an old hen in the face.

Miss Lou T- smiles on Charlotte no more, and we know several who are glad, if Charlotte is unhappy .- Greensboro Patriot. To each and every reader we tender the

compliments of the season. May one and

all have A MERRY CHRISTMAS! The carriers will be around with their addresses to-day. We hope every patron will shell out to them.

The English wood pavement [similar to the Nicholson] is being laid in front of the

No amusements for Christmas-not so much as a hop. Indications are that Char-

lotte will have rather a dull Christmas. There were several fights in the city last evening and night, but, beyond the disfigurement of a few countenances, no damage was

The Rutherford Record says: In a multitude of counsel there is wisdom." That quotation may be all right up in Rutherfordton, but our Bible don't lay it down that

There will be services in the Catholic Church to-day, as follows : First, Mass at P. M. There will be services in the Episcopal Church at 11 A. M.

There was quite a demand for the paper | following from a North Carolina paper: last-"The Hanging of the Crane." It is a will not be confined to this State. Emi- of the earth and the awakening of the saints charming poem, and its beauty must be ap- grants from North Carolina have peopled, preciated by every one who has a spark of poetry in his or her soul.

There was nothing in Charlotte to indicate the near approach of Christmas, until about 11 o'clock last night. Then the popping of fire crackers began and was continned at a lively rate until the hour at which this was written, (1 A. M.)

Improving.

Dr. H. J. Walker was in the city yesterday, and informed us that the man Cook, who was so badly stabbed by his cousin, near Huntersville, on the A., T. & O. Railroad, about a week ago, is in a fair way to recover. Dr. Walker says the wound was an exceedingly dangerous one, and that the man has managed to survive it is a wonder. The wound was in the abdomen and not in the thigh, as we stated it.

An advertisement in another column, and which appeared yesterday for the first time, announces the important fact that Charlotte has a coal yard, and that Mr. W H. H. Gregory, proposes to furnish this necessary article to consumers. This coal trade has never been of any importance until the completion of the Carolina Central, and promises to be a valuab le one henceforth.

We learn by a letter from Salisbury that Mr. W. T. Linton, at present proprietor of the National Hotel of that place, has rented the Boyden House and will take charge of it on the 1st of January. The house will be refitted, a new front will be put in, and various other improvements made in it. We learn further that Mrs, Reeves has rented the National, and will in future manage

Mayor's Court.

George Jones a colored drayman, was before the Mayor yesterday afternoon. The buggy of Mr, J. C. Baker, which was occupied, by Mrs. Baker and a child, was standing in College street, when this drayman dashed along, two in hand, He locked one of the wheels of the dray with a hind wheel of the buggy, turning the buggy up and frightening the horse which would have run away had not some one on the street stopped him. The spindle of the buggy was bent or broken in such a manner as to render the vehicle useless until it is fixed. A fight between Mr. Baker and the negro was emminent when policeman Blackwelder stepped up and arrested the latter. He was taken before the Mayor and fined \$5.

Heavy Shipment.

A sight which attracted a great deal of attention and excited much comment was a ong train of drays on the streets yesterday morning, hauling a cargo of 400 barrels of flour from the store of Messrs. R. M. Miller & Sons to the Carolina Central Depot. The flour was shipped by these gentlemen to merchants along the line of the road named. from Charlotte to Rockingham, Richmond county. This line of drays was a heavy advertisement for this popular house. The shipment was the first which has been made from Charlotte over the Eastern Division of this road, on account of the lack, of freight cars. Many goods which have been already bought and paid for, are now lying in different stores of the city awaiting shipment over this road.

Spirits from Our Friends, Night before last we wrote something about the hospitable store of J, S. Williamson & Co, but the intelligent compositor knew better than that, so he set it up the"hos pital" house, &c. Yesterday evening, while pondering partly over locals and partly over how we were to raise the wind to buy Christmas drinks, we found ourself presented with a bottle of just the best rye whiskey, written on a tag accompanying it : "With the compliments of the hospital store." We desire to express our thanks to our friends and to say that we hope every liquor dealer in the city will consider that we regard him as the proprietor of a hospital store.

Christmas Tree This Evening.

It was our pleasure to drop into Tryon Street M. E. Church last evening, while the ladies of the congregation were preparing a Christmas Tree. This evening at 7 o'clock the presents on this tree will be distributed among the pupils of the Sunday School There is a present for each member of the Sabbath School, teacher and scholar, great and small. The tree presented a beautiful appearance last evening, adorned as it was with little gifts of almost every variety, some of them of real value. The members of the Sunday School will entertain their guests this evening with music, and to all persons who may desire to be present, a cordial in-

vitation is extended. Another Testimonial, Capt, J. E. Leggett, who had charge of the traiu on the Carolina Central Railway, which carried the Charlotte Cadets back to their homes on Saturday last, adds his testimony to the universal verdict in regard to the boys. He says that, in all his long experience as a conductor, he has never seen a better behaved, or a more gentlemanly crowd than are the Charlotte Cadets, and we be lieve that Capt. Leggett speaks the universal sentiment of all who came into contact with them during their visit to this city, These facts not only speak well for the cadets themselves, but are the highest endorsement of the careful training and excellent discipline practiced by Col. Thomas and his worthy coadjutors .- Wilmington Journal.

It would appear that the interest in our proposed centennial celebration, is not confined to North Carolina. The Macon (Ga.) Morning Star speaks as follows concerning it, we find the article in the Atlanta Constitution with editorial endorsement: "We rather A. M., High Mass at 11 A. M., vespers at prefer the anniversary of the Mecklenburg (N. C.) celebration, which comes off on May 20th, 1875, at Charlotte. We endorse the

" It is to be hoped, too, that the interes we might also say, whole States. They are love for the Old North State, that descends from father to son, as was evidenced by the way they used to patrenize her schools, colleges and university in ante bellum days."

Christmas Tree.

A Christmas celebration will be had this will be open at 7 o'clock, and the children on the occasion, and need we say the ocwill also be some good music, and, in short, such an entertainment as befits the occasion. festival, if such itmay be termed, at a good strels is from the Richmond (Va.) Enquirer. deal of trouble to themselves, and the little folks may rest assured that something strels at the Richmond theatre last night, pleasant awaits them.

We acknowledge the courtesy of an invitatian to be present, add desire to express and instrumental musicians, and the prothe regret that it will not be possible for us gramme was in every way commendable

Reduction of Freight Rates.

Col. S. L. Fremont, the Superintendent, and F. W. Clarke, the General nations, the performers appear to play for Freight and Ticket Agent of the Caro- of the audience, and not the riff-raff. Among lina Central Railroad, were in the city the features of yesterdy evening we were Thursday, and a conference was had between them and a number of the Black Joe," Mr. Hall's mastery of the business men of the city. Upon a banjo, and the selections of the California discussion of the subject of freight Sweet Home," was wonderful. The lovers tariff, and an alleged discrimination of good ballad singing and innocent fun, against Charlotte in the matter of the Haverly troupe. Fred. Wilson's Grecian carrying freight from Monroe and strtues, George Wilson's ballads of pathos. other points on the road at a much lower rate proportionally to Wilmington than to Charlotte, the management of the road agreed to carry cotton from Monroe to Charlotte at 75 cents per bale, and from points beyond at a proportional rate. This was satisfactory to our business men, and Col. Fremont announced himself willing to enter into bond for a faithful performance of the contract.

With this matter settled and an equitable arrangement in the carrying of freights made, there is no danger of Charlotte losing any part of its trade. The trade of Union, Anson and a part of Richmond, will come to Charlotte through the natural channel, and the business of this city will be increased rather than diminished by the completion of the Carolina Central Railroad.

Suspension of the Observer,

Editors and printers, just like other mortals, get tired some times, and like other mortals, have a reverence for Christmas, and everything else that comes in the shape of a holiday. In accordance with a cuswhich prevails everywhere, there be no issue of SERVER to-morrow, nor for some other days to come. We do not know when to promise the next issue. It would be on Tuesday morning next, but for the fact that, during the holidays, the office will be moy-

After Monday morning next, the OBSERV-ER will be found in the second story of the Oates Building, corner Trade and College streets, over the store of Mayer, Gray & Ross, and in what has hitherto been known as "Oates' Hall. The business of the office, and the number of hands employed, has so increased in the past six months, that we find more room necessary. In our new quarters, we will be glad to see our friends, and propose to have additional facilities for entertaining them.

There is so much to move and (in pros-

pective) such a demoralized force with which to move it, that we cannot promise with any certainly when the next number of the OBSERVER will appear. It will probably be on Wednesday morning next; prebably later. Meanwhile, to one and all of our readers, a very merry Christmas, and a hap-

Christmas Day. This day one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four years ago, there was born into the world a child whose name was Jesus. All unheralded came this God Man and a manger was His birth-place. Poor in this world's goods, of humble parentage, and held in little esteem. was the meek and lovely Jases, the son of Joseph the carpenter, and of Mary his wife. Few there were to embrace His doctrines, but, with twelve faithful followers, the despised Nazarene went from place to place, "preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all man. ner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." His life was one deed of goodness and humanity; He went about continually doing good, healing the sick, restoring sight to the blind, cleansing the leper, and forgiving sin. Isaiah told of how He would be "despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;" of how he should be oppressed and afflicted, and for the transgressions of the people be cut off out of the land of the living. Yea, this prochecy was abundantly ful filled, and more than this; for he "made His grave with the wicked and the rich in His death; because he had done no violence. neither was any deceit in His mouth.' On this Christmas morning, we glance

backward through the hoary ages, and look upon the Son of God as He hung on the tree. when He saw of the travail of His soul and was satisfied, and when he bore the iniquities of many that He might redeem a world which lieth in wickedness. The Cross of Calvary is called to our remembrance. "Elilama, sabachthani," resounds in our ears, and on this the anniversary of His birth we call to mind the darkness all over the land from the sixth to the ninth hour, the rendng of the vail of the temple, the quaking wbo arose fr m their graves, and "went unto the holy city and appeared unto many.' we might also say, whole States. They are Thank God that there is such a day as scattered all through the South, southwest this! Thank God for the gift of His Son and northwest, and they all have a lingering and the plan of salvation ! Be it ours not to question, but to wonder and adore and to remember always, among the festivities of this day and occasion, the event which we celebrate and its influence upon the destiny of our race.

Haverly's Minstrels. This company will appear at the Charlotte evening at the Baptist Church. The doors Opera House on the evening of the 1st prox Those who fancy performances of this charof the Sunday School will enjoy the giving acter will do well to attend, as this is cerof presents from a Christmas Tree. Gov. tainly an excellent troupe of its kind. It has Vance has consented to deliver an address the highest praises of the press, and we are assured that it is so refined an entertainment casion will be an interesting one? There as that any gentleman can carry a lady to it without the fear of her sense of propriety being shocked by anything done, said or im-The ladies of the church have gotten up the | plied. The following notice of the Min-"The first performance of Haverly's min-

was greeted by a very good audience, and was certainly very satisfactory. The combi-nation embraces a number of fine vocalists being entirely free from those objectionable features that so often characterize performances of troupes of the sort. While many of the selections are supremely laughable, and some of the dialogues utterly absurd, asjis the case in bll minstrel combi the recognition of the most refined portion struck peculiarly with the rendition of the

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