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CENTRAL HOTEL, H. C. ECCLES, CHARLOTTE, N. C., Proprietor. THIS WELL KNOWN AND LEADING HOTEL, LOCATED IN CENTRE OF THE CITY, OFFERS UNSURPASSED ACCOMMODATIONS TO THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC. The Furniture is first-class, the House is Carpeted throughout. GAS and ELECTRIC BELLS ARE IN EVERY ROOM. To Invalids, Florida Tourists or Persons Traveling FOR PLEASURE, THIS HOUSE OFFERS EVERY FACILITY FOR COMFORT.

FRESH GOODS AT E. G. ROGERS, FURNITURE WAREHOUSE. I have just received a fresh Stock of Parlor Suits in Hair, Cloth & Repps. A very handsome assortment of GENTLEMEN'S EASY CHAIRS. A FINE STOCK OF LOUNGES, ALL PRICES, CHEAP SOFAS, CHEAP CHAMBER SUITS, & C.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Noon Dispatches.

WASHINGTON.

The Centennial Address of the People to the President—Committee Appointed to Investigate the New York Post Office.

WASHINGTON, Dec 21.—In the Senate a resolution offered by Mr Anthony, providing that when the Senate adjourn on Friday the 22nd inst., it be to meet on Tuesday the 26th inst., and unless otherwise then ordered when it adjourns on the 26th inst. it be to meet on the 29th inst., and that unless otherwise then ordered when it adjourns on the 29th it be to meet on Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, 1877, which led to a lengthy discussion.

The Pacific Railroad Committee, after referring the sub-committee propositions before it, consisting of Atkins Lamar, O'Neal, Luttrell and Garfield. Adjourned to January 4th.

The Committee on Foreign Relations of the House appointed a sub-committee to make proper arrangements for the reception of the Centennial Address of the Irish people to the Presidents of the United States. It will be remembered that this lay in the lumber room of the White House for some time, because the manner of its presentation to the President was not in accordance with court etiquette. J O'Connor read the address before the committee this morning.

The House appointed a special committee of five to investigate the New York Postoffice on the charge of tampering with the mails. The motion came from the Republican side.

FOREIGN.

Turkey Growing Reckless, &c.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—A severe gale accompanied by torrents of rain prevailed throughout the united Kingdom on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The gale was particularly violent on the Scotch coast, where more disasters are apprehended.

A dispatch from Constantinople to the Reuter Telegram Company, says: The preliminary conference held its last sitting yesterday. The plenipotentiaries have agreed to state their proposals in terms acceptable to all parties. It is stated that a plenary conference will meet on Saturday next. The Turkish constitution is to be promulgated immediately. The nomination of Midhat Pasha to the Grand Vizierate, has been very well received and it is believed will hasten a solution of all difficulties.

BERGRADE, Dec. 21.—Prince Milan has accepted the resignation of the ministry. The ministers will remain in office pending the formation of a new cabinet.

The Times in its leading editorial says: The plenipotentiary have concluded the most difficult parts of their task by agreeing that some kind of pacification is necessary. Midhat Pasha must soon pronounce his decision on their proposals. We fear the Turkish monsters are inclined to take the hazard of absolute resistance, as they seem to think they can foil the conference by plunging Europe into a tremendous war.

INDIANA.

Gov Hendricks Gives a Proper Explanation of Indiana's "Stand."

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—The Journal publishes an interview with Gov Hendricks in which he is quoted that the purpose of calling the Convention for the 8th of January, was not for the purpose, as is supposed, of making any threats, or of organizing any resistance to rightful authority, but for the purpose of making a public expression at the threatened invasions of popular rights, and of giving the House of Representatives an assurance of support in the exercise of its constitutional rights and prerogatives. There is no purpose so far as I am informed of going farther.

NEW YORK.

Post Master James Demands an Investigation—More from the Storm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Postmaster James demands an investigation of the charge made by Hewitt, in the House, that his mails were tampered with in the New York office.

The steamer Rhein which arrived at this port yesterday, after a voyage of 15 days from Southampton. She encountered the most continuous bad weather, of which the officers had never had any experience. On Dec. the 8th, one of the passengers was tossed clear over the breakfast table from one side of the saloon to the other, but fortunately was not injured.

FLAHERS.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—Capt Davis reports terrible suffering among the crews of vessels that sought refuge in Magdaly River during the late storm.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21.—Kenner, a member of the board testified before the House Committee. General Anderson was re-called and testified at great length.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., Dec. 21.—The Supreme Court adjourned yesterday without reaching judgment on the mandamus case.

Mid-Night Dispatches.

LOUISIANA.

The Congressional Committee at Work Gov Wells Before the Congressional Committee.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec 21.—In the Senate Committee McDonald endeavored to have members of the returning board subpoenaed. Matters postponed till tomorrow. The question of re-opening the Eliza Pinkston case was also postponed till tomorrow. The counsel for the Republicans stated they had some forty more witnesses about Ouachita parish. The Democratic counsel had summoned their witnesses for East Baton Rouge would not be ready with Ouachita till Tuesday. The Republicans stated that their witnesses from all parishes would reach five hundred. Salsbury thought it best to limit the number of witnesses, as five hundred on each side would consume time to fourth of March. The chairman thought time would be saved by counsel agreeing to accept testimony before the returning boards. It appears from the tabulated statements furnished by the returning board that the polls have been rejected in twenty-two parishes. The labor to determine the fairness of the election in these alone would be very great. It was finally agreed to proceed with the vote in Ouachita parish.

Before the House Committee, J Madison Wells, president of the returning board testified that in canvassing returns the board compared the Supervisors report with the tally sheets of the commissioners. Where they did not agree they deducted, but considered principally the tally sheets sent for tally sheets when parties entered in the election asked for them and sent for the boxes of Concordia parishes at the instance of ex-Senator Harris. Did not know then and do not know now he had every interest as a candidate at the late election. We found on examination the tickets that all the electorals had been voted for, but the votes were not properly counted. We counted the tickets and included them in our compilation. The votes omitted were on the Republican side. Haven't made an estimate of the aggregate vote thrown out, will furnish the committee with such statement. Can't tell the number of votes thrown out for each party, without referring to the books. Didn't consider what party would be effected by votes thrown out. Think they threw out East or West Baton Rouge, don't recollect which. Declined to furnish the original papers to the committee because they belong to the State. The papers are still in the control of the board. The law requires supervisors to seal up and forward returns by mail. Some returns came by hand and were counted. Returns from Grant parish were not sent by supervisors. When the supervisors reports are sent they should be accompanied by tally sheets. Don't recollect that the law requires the board to canvass from the statement of commissioners instead of supervisors. He received the boxes from Concordia that did not come through the supervisors. Refused to consider Grant parish because it did not come through the supervisors.

Mr. Jenks—If the supervisor was knave enough not to forward the returns, and you had returns made by Commissioners of Elections, did you canvass such vote. Gov. Wells—No sir, we canvassed no votes not received through supervisors. The attention of Gov. Wells was here called to the fact that he boxes of Concordia did not come through supervisors.

Gov. Wells replied excitedly "No sir," how could they? In answer to questions, Wells said, Abet is clerk of the returning board—Mr. Kermer is Secretary. I think he was some time ago, and I think he is yet. No one but members of the board were present at private sessions. Minutes are made after private sessions from memorandum kept by members of the board.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec 21.—The transferee tug Neffe, exploded while racing to reach incoming bank to secure a tow.

At a meeting of the Trunk Line representatives the Grand Trunk refused to vote on a question of through freight, under instructions not to act unless passenger and live stock rates were included in the compromise. The whole matter is open and a rupture probable.

The steamship Hadji arrived through hell gate. The evidence before the Congressional Committee of investigation, swear to marvelous increased registration and vote in several precincts, but don't know how it was done. They generally attribute it to colonization and naturalization.

FOREIGN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec 21.—Gen Ignatieff, Russian ambassador, notified the Porte that they were ready to commence plenary conference and asked the Porte to fix the day for its first meeting.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE

LAST NIGHT.

BY REQUEST, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22nd.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME!

Immense Attraction!

The N. Y. Olympic Pantomime Troupe, And the Production of the Burlesque Comic Trick Pantomime, entitled

"King Coppernose."

Beautiful Costumes, New Scenery and Comical Effects.

Reserved seats, \$1. General Admission, 75 cents. Gallery, 50 cents.

Reserved seats can be secured at Koellich's book store.

PAUL & NUTTING, Managers.

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NEW FIRM.

GROCERS.

We beg to inform our old customers and friends that we have formed a co-partnership, under the style of Hilker & Duls, and would be pleased to see them at our "stand" lately occupied by Byrons & Co. Our stock shall be unsurpassed in the city. Try us and see.

dec 22 11 HILKER & DULS.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

CHINA STORE.

China Cups & Saucers, Vases, Match Stands, Smoking Sets, Toilet Sets, Card Stands, Work stands, and a general assortment of Fancy Articles, Suitable for Holiday, Christmas or Bridal Presents. Call and examine stock.

JAMES HARTY.

KEROSENE LAMPS

CHEAPER THAN EVER.

COME AND SEE!

One Dollar Lamp complete with Argand Burner, Porcelain Shades and Bronze Stands.

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CHILDREN'S CHAIRS,

THE VERY THING for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

THE BEST ASSORTMENT in CHARLOTTE

ROGERS' FURNITURE STORE.

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Dissolution Notice.

THE firm of Shanks, Wiley & Co., having been dissolved by the assignment of the interest of Mr W J Wiley. All parties interested will take notice accordingly. Persons indebted will make payment to the undersigned at the old stand, and all having debts will in like manner present them.

JOHN SHANKS, For Shanks, Wiley & Co., In liquidation.

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinance of the city, prohibiting the sale, giving away, or the explosion of Fire Crackers, Rockets, Roman Candles, &c., within the city limits, will be rigidly enforced. The imminent danger to persons riding and driving through the streets, and to property, renders the enforcement of this law absolutely necessary.

Wm JOHNSTON, Mayor.

Dissolution.

THE Co-partnership lately existing between the undersigned will be dissolved on the 1st day of January next, and the books, notes and accounts will be turned over to Mr D C Malloy, for collection and settlement.

M A BLAND, I IMPSON.

dec 22 11

Charlotte City Cabinet and Joiner Shop.

J W CROCKETT, Proprietor.

I keep in stock about 6000 feet dry plank, suitable for nice business desks, store counters, shelving, &c. Also Walnut, for all kinds of cabinet work. Designs and estimates furnished. A thorough repair shop, at 5 doors below the Market.

dec 22 11 J W CROCKETT, Prop.

Lost.

A roll of money consisting of one five, one two and one one dollar bill. If left at this Office the finder will be properly rewarded.

dec 22 11

E. D. LATTA & BRO,

NEW YORK CLOTHIERS,

T O T H E F R O N T!

Great Break in Prices Many Say, but it is only Our Usual Low Rates.

NOT SURPRISING

That our Business has more than doubled our Greatest Expectations,

After Seeing our Goods and Prices, and Learning the Points in the Purchasers Favor, and the Great Advantages to be Derived.

Our Elegant and Immense Variety in Stock; The Quality and Texture of Fabric and Material; Our Superior Styles and Perfect Shapes;

Strict Adherence to Truthful Representations; The Polite Attention Which our Patrons Receive; The Immense Facilities we enjoy in Procuring our Goods; The Extreme Lowness of our Prices; Our Strictly Cash and One Price System; Our Satisfactory Dealings with Patrons; Our Complete and Thorough Mode of Conducting our Business.

We solicit the patronage of the neighboring Community and offer special inducements to Wholesale Buyers.

H. D. Latta & Bro.,

ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS!

A CHOICE, FANCY LOT, OF FANCY GROCERIES

JUST RECEIVED AT J. ROTHSCCHILD'S.

Holland Herring

EXTRA FINE MESS MACKEREL. SALMON, Smoked and fresh, and 2 lb Cans. WILSON'S CELEBRATED SMOKED CORN BEEF. CREAM CHEESE. SWISS CHEESE, AND SAP SAGO, TAPIOCA, CORN STARCH. SAGO, FINE BARLEY, OAT GRITS, SPLIT PEAS, GREEN PEAS, MARROW FAT BEANS, FINE CUT PICKLED BEANS, IMPORTED & DOMESTIC PICKLES, ITALIAN MACCARONI, AMERICAN, FRENCH AND ENGLISH MUSTARD, SOYA CRACKERS, EGG BISCUITS, LEMON BISCUITS and CRACKERS, WAFFLES, BAKING POWDER, BUTTER, PRUNES, SARDINES, SUGAR, COFFEE, &c. &c. GOOD DELIVERED FREE.

FURS!

ELIAS, COHEN & ROESSLER

ARE JUST IN RECEIPT OF A SUPERIOR LOT OF FURS,

MINK SABLE, BOAS AND MUFFS, FRENCH SEAL, BOAS AND MUFFS, KAMSKATKA SEAL, BOAS AND MUFFS, ALASKA SEAL, BOAS AND MUFFS, FANCY GREBE, BOAS AND MUFFS.

And a full assortment of LADIES and CHILDREN'S FURS, MEDIUM AND LOW GRADES.

Another lot of three Cheap and Superior Alpaccas, just received. Call and see them. ELIAS, COHEN & ROESSLER, Masonic Temple Building.

GREATEST OPPORTUNITY

OF THE SEASON.

With a view of reducing our immense RETAIL STOCK, to enable us to consolidate our two Houses by January 1st next, we, from this day on, offer to the public UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITIES!!!

TO

Supply themselves and their families with every thing needful for their comfort during the cold weather, and as the stock is too varied to itemize, we cite but few articles:

WHITE BLANKETS,

From \$2.75, \$4.00 and \$6.00; worth \$4.00, \$6.00 and \$10.

LADIES' CLOAKS

From \$3.50 to \$15; worth \$5 to \$25.

WOOLEN DRESS GOODS

From 121 cents upwards; less than half price.

MILLINERY & FANCY GOODS AT ALMOST ANY PRICE.

CLOTHING Lower than the lowest offered in this market. OVERCOATS, from \$3.50 upwards. Gentle Furnishing Goods at the same ratio. In short, our whole RETAIL STOCK will be sold off REGARDLESS OF COST. From and after the 1st of January, we wish our customers to bear in mind that our RETAIL HOUSE will be consolidated with our present Wholesale House.

FOR RENT

The Store now occupied by us as the Retail House is for Rent after the 1st of January, 1877. W. H. WILKINSON & SONS, CHARLOTTE, N. C.