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Free from the daily scruples that fetter our free-born reason.

NOTES AND NEWS.

A Virginia girl never dances. She only dawdles. Jeff Davis's daughters are attending school in Germany. The New York baby show netted \$15,000 for the managers.

Lower prices are prevailing in the first-class eastern hotels. It is asserted that Daniel Drew has become feeble-minded. The father of Charles Sumner was the officer who guarded Major Andre at Tappan.

THE GORDON-CONKLING DIFFICULTY. —is now the matter uppermost in the public mind. The telegraph brought us no details of the causes leading to the angry words which passed between them, but Washington correspondents furnish the particulars.

The latter Senator was on the floor, calling for the report which the committee on Commerce had directed Mr. Spencer, of Alabama, to make on the nomination of Smith as collector of Mobile, and which that worthy has been endeavoring to suppress, in order to prevent the case from coming to a vote.

NEWBORN NUTSHELL: Yesterday afternoon while the steamer Neuse was on her way to this city, laden with 190 barrels of cotton, it was discovered that some of the cotton was on fire.

schemes nor driven from their own, and that, more than this, they are not to be told in debate that they lie without somebody being called to account for it.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Conking Calls Gordon a Falsehood. The Dismal Swamp Canal—Cook's Bill—Congressional Items, &c. (Special Correspondence of the Observer.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15, 1877. The exciting topic of conversation everywhere, in the Capitol, in the hotels and on the streets, is the passage of arms between Gordon and Conking in the exciting session of the Senate on Friday. Senator G. is represented as selling Senator Gordon that he had spoken an untruth.

Col. Winston's Appeal. Col. John N. Winston, of Caswell, proposing to write the history of North Carolina, during the war, has addressed the following to his fellow-soldiers: "COMRADES: You perceive from the above that I have taken upon myself no easy task. That it may be performed in a proper manner I shall not spare time, labor or expense."

MINCE-MEAT. A Good Square Thing to Rally on. [From the Detroit Free Press.] Just before dinner, yesterday, a woman living on Larned street entered a Jefferson Avenue grocery, with snapping eyes, and as she slammed a pail down on the counter, hissed out: "Mince-meat, it is? Why don't you call it slop, or stuff, or hen-feed?"

CONGRESSIONAL ITEMS. Patterson, Republican, of New York, is the oldest member in the House. Kenna, Democrat of West Virginia, is the youngest.

CHRISTMAS GOODS. We are in almost daily receipt of Goods for the HOLIDAYS. Our stock will be LARGE and ATTRACTIVE, and will be here by the 15th inst.

NOURISHING BLOOD.

The blood imparts to the body the elements which are essential to its existence. When these are abundantly supplied, its energies begin to flag, there is a loss of flesh, the muscles grow rigid, the reflexive powers languish, and a morbid condition is induced.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

How it is Done. The first object in life with the American people, is to be rich, the second, how to retain good health. The first can be obtained by energy, honesty and saving; the second (good health) by using Green's August Flower.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PUBLIC.

NEW YORK, October 1st, 1877. I have devoted twenty years of patient study to the Liver and its relations to the human body, and I have discovered a method to restore it, when diseased, to its normal condition.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. Among our goods received for Christmas are the following: Writing Desks, \$1.50 to \$15.00; Photograph Albums 75c to \$10.00; Autograph Albums; Bibles, Pocket, Teacher's and Family Hymn Books for all denominations; Prayer Books—Episcopal and Family Children's Books—best lot we ever had; Standard Books of all kinds; Poets in Cloth, Sheep, Morocco and Ivory Fine writing paper in boxes; Wedding Stationery in boxes; Gold Pens, Pearl, Ivory, Silver and Ebony holders.

IMPERIAL SALOON. Joseph Fischesser, AGENT FOR DENMEAD'S BALTIMORE XX AND 3X ALE, PORTER AND BROWN STOUT, which are kept constantly on draught and will be sold by the glass, bottle or keg. This ale is excellent for family use and will keep until used up. It is a good and pleasant tonic for invalids.

NEW MILLINERY GOODS! MRS R McNEILIS has just received the very latest styles of Hats, Flowers, Feathers, Ribbons, Silks and Velvets in all the new shades.

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LOST. EITHER in the new Cemetery or on the street thence to the old, yesterday, a pair of Gold Fringed Spectacles, old fashion, valuable as a family piece. The finder will be rewarded by leaving them at this office.

AND STILL THEY COME! I have another large lot of those NORTHERN CABBAGE, APPLES and POTATOES, on hand, and a full supply of choice FANCY GROCERIES, which I will sell lower than any other.

COAL JUST ARRIVED. I will receive this A. M., Coal of all Sizes, BEST QUALITY. Leave your orders at my office and they will receive prompt attention. Office at E. M. Holt's old stand, College Street, Charlotte, N. C.

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THE SOUTHERN CIGAR MANUFACTORY, CHARLOTTE, N. C. Is the place to buy good home manufactured Cigars for the least money. The following brands are specialties: THE GOLDEN EAGLE—Warranted to be made of good Tobacco as can be purchased anywhere, and equal to any 10 cent cigar South, for 5 cents cash.

CHRISTMAS. IS COMING, and the holidays are coming, and all the children are coming, and all their country cousins are coming, and all their Aunts and Uncles are coming, and all these want their store of CHRISTMAS GOODS. So in order to refresh the memories of our kind hearted patrons, that the holidays are fast approaching and all the little ones are expecting something, I have this day opened my carefully selected stock of Toys and Christmas Goods, comprising, in part, Mechanical Fire Engines, Locomotives, Velocipedes, Wagons, Dolls, Drums, etc, in fact everything suitable for Christmas Presents. Call and examine my stock before buying elsewhere.

DR. PIERCE'S Fountain Nasal Injector, or DOUCHE. This instrument is especially designed for the perfect application of DR. SAGE'S CATARRH REMEDY. It is the only form of instrument yet invented with which fluid medicine can be carried high up and perfectly applied to all parts of the affected nasal passages, in which sores and ulcers frequently exist, and from which the catarrhal discharge generally proceeds.

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