THE RED FEZ EVERYWHERE The city was filled with wearers of the red fee yesterday. The lobbles of the hotels and the streets the hotels and the streets dotted here and there with the strange-looking emblems of this, the most-sought-after order in America. Each incoming train swelled the hrong. The visiors were bent upon pleasure. The trains were as provoking as could be and the weather was benetly. But nothing could disturb them. They were like school boys off for a frolic. The greetings exchanged by many on meeting with friends many on meeting with friends last celebration was nothing short of comical. They literally fell upon one another's necks and wept.

Quite a number of the visitors who pottered around the streets and loafed in the lobbies of the hotels were red card-board signs labeled "fresh meat." They attracted considerable attention, especially from those wearing the red head-gear. They were cumstances. Two messenger boys vere observed looking through the Central Hotel window at a party clustered within.

"Who's that," asked the first lad. pointing at a lusty visitor wearing the strange looking sign on his back. "He's er hog." replied the other "Without salt," put in a third as they moved off.

It should be added that those wearing the labels were the unfortunates who were to cross the hot sands. MR. T. C. LINN POTENTATE.

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At the business meeting held the first thing in the evening, the following named officers were elected for the ensuing term: Potentate, T. C. Linn, of Salisbury; chief rabban, George W. Bryan, of Greenville, S. C.; assistant chief rabban, A. B. Andrews, Jr., of Raleigh; high priest and prophet, H. A. Murrill; oriental guide, A. J. Crampton; treasurer, G. A. Page, and recorder, T. S. Franklin, all of Charlotte. The representatives to the imperial council are Messrs. W. S. Liddell, of Charlotte; J. T. Barron, of Columbia, S. C.; F. sentatives to the imperial council are Messrs. W. S. Liddell, of Charlotte; J. T. Barron, of Columbia, S. C.; F. Gary, of Abbeville, S. C., and R.

8. Reinhardt, of Lincolnton.

followed immediately after the business meeting, the following named new members were received: Messrs, R. C. Gorland, of Gaffney, S. C.; C. W. Savage, of Andrews, S. C.; Albert P. Frazier, of Greensboro; Fred S. Hifl, of Abbeville, S. C.; James W., Hifl, of Abbeville, S. C.; James W., Hifl, of Winston-Salem; Harry J. Glann, of Winston-Salem; Harry J. Scholtz, J. W. RETICENT. Alexander, J. W. Kiddd, Dr. F Winchester, and R. R. Beatty, all of Charlotte; L. T. Ligon, of Blacksburg. 8, C.; L. M Contrell, of Spartanburg, S. C.; W. R. Haie, of Greenville, S. C.; Charles Hoertel, of High Point; M. P. Gruber, of Green-ville, S. C.; W. R. Newby, of High Point; Henry W. Brown, of Winston-Salem; Charles D. Mayfield, of Mur-phy; Walter B. Sloan and A. P. Teague, of Laurens, S. C.; W. D. Hutchison, of Spencer, Yutaka Mina-kuchi, and Walter S. Raedeker, of Asheville; Charles E. Cole, Walter Lyerly, and J. M. Edwards, of Hickory, W. James MacNoly, and Millard H. Turner, of Pinehurst; W. N. Davis, R. B. Babbington and Albert G. Myers, of Gastonia; W. D. Broadway, of Rutherfordton; J. A. Cannon, of Concord, H. H. Abel and B. B. Mauney, of Hickory, J. Bailey Owen, of Henderson; A. M. Clark, of Southern Pines, Jesse F. Prather and Jesse G. Powell, of Mt. Airy; Brooks Snygert, of Laurens, S. C. Charles A. Iceman, of Monroe, U. Z. Gulon and Joseph D. Grandy, of Oreenville, S. U.; Albert N. Sample, of Chester, S. C.; Bryant McBride, of Columbia, S. C.; E. W. Simpson, of Enfield, and F. A. Nunvar, of Le-

Tomato Solip, Croutons Baratoga Chips Waldorf Reliah Olives Waldorf Bellan
Roast Turkey, Oyster Dressing
Cranberry Jelly Beaten Biscutt
Cauliflower, with Cheese
Pork Hanu
Biewed Apples Grape Sherbet
Waldorf Salad, with Malaga Grapes Olives

Mince and Apple Pies Cheese, Coffee, Crackers

Camels' Milk for the Thirsty.

The last order on the card was by

far the most popular one. The ban-queters wended their way to their hotels and to their respective homes at different hours of the morning. It a few fell by the wayside, that need not be mentioned here. It is nobody else's business if they did. SHRINERS LOT OF GOOD FEL-

LOWS. The outgoing 'raits this morning will transport the major portion of the guests home. They will return next December to attend the annual rejulation, which, according to the regulation of the temple, must always be held in Charlotté. All the visitors are clean, well-groomed citisens, gentlemen every whit, and, as such, will always receive the glad hand of welcome from Charlotte people. To say that the 460 Shriners Charlotte yesterday is the cream Carolina citizenship is no exaggerion. They are all capital fellows.

Mr. Yutaka Minakuchi, of Ashaile, who crossed the saids last
ight is a native Jap, having been
sen and reared is Tokio. He is now
minister of the Christian Church

LINN NEW POTENTATE A NEW TEMPLE IN CHARLESTON. A NEW TEMPLE IN CHARLESTON.

One of the topics informsile discussed by a number of the Shriners caused by a number of the Shriners last night was the proposed establishment of Mr. T. C. Linn, of Saisbury to the Office of Grand Potonside—Charlete Officials Re-elected—Banquet a Great Success—A Set of Jolly Good Fellows—A New Temple for Charlesson, S. C.

The meeting of the Shrine is always the event of the year in local sterns; circles. The annual celevation of Ossis Temple took place of those residing in upper South Caro-The meeting of the Shrine is always the event of the year in local fraternal circles. The annual celebration of Oasis Temple took place lest evening in the Masonic hall on South Tryon street. The business meeting commenced at 7:30 o'clock. After the business session came the ceremonial and then the banquet. The delegation of Nobies present was one of the largest in years, there being over 400 in attendance. Fifty-one new members were received. The membership of Oasis Temple now exceeds 1,200 and is one of the largest in Years the dispension will be granted and that a new temple will no organized in the country. in South Carolina, there is abundant material for two large and flourish-

## NEWS OF DAVIDSON.

Mr. Torrance Makes Repairs on Dupuy Drug Store-Glass for Postof-fice Windows Come.

Special to The Observer.

Davidson, Dec. 28.—Mr. Wilson Torrence is putting in shape the northeast corner of the building. for years known as the Dupuy drug store, which was ruised by the big fire of last spring. At the time of the fire Mr. Sawyer used it as a grocery store. The south wall and other parts of the structure were so badly injured that it was regarded if not unsafe, yet at least as a useless structure. By planking in this corner and papering the sides and swapping around the large glass window frames. Mr. Torrence will have comfortable quarters for his jeweler's repair work and have the use of a ground floor in easy reach of all customers. Special to The Observer.

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The glass for the big windows in the postoffice have get here again and this time safely. The bill of lading shows that the boxes and fixtures for the office were shipped about 10 days ago from ladianapolis. Ind., but this may mean little or much, for the date of their arrival at Davidson is beyond mortal ken. Dr. Houston very naturally is in doubt whether to remain in his present coopedup quarters and let one change do for all when the fixtures arrive, or to move into the new building now, and make patch work carry things along till the office can be completely equipped. But a nice problem in mathematics is this; if it takes local freight 10 days or more to come from Charlotte, (and then it does not come), how long will it take freight to come from Indianapolis?

Mr. McRae, of the Charlotte bar, was here to-day on legal business.

he law bearing on the issue.

Preceding the entertainment last even-Reinhardt, of Lincolnton.

NEW MEMBERS INVITED.

At the ceremonial session which showed immediately after the busi-

## MAJOR PENROSE RETICENT.

Will Not Say Whether or Not He Has Clue to Identity of Negro Who Shot Capt. M ddin—Excitement Over Assault of Mrs. Clifford by Negro.

El Reno, Okla., Dec. 28.-Major Penose, commandant at Fort Reno. to-day refused to make any statement regarding a report that he has a clue to the identity and whereabouts of the negro, believed to he discharged from the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who shot and seriously wounded Captain Edgar B. Macklin a week ago. It is believed, however, that Major Penrose has definite information and that the assailant will be in custody within a short time. Excitement and intense racial feeling prevails over the assault on Mrs. Clifford yesterday by a negro. While Major Penrose lecilnes to discuss the affair, it is said that all of the regulars have been recounted for and that the assault was given either by a discharged soldier or a negro civilian who might have purchased a cast off uniform. Penrose, commandant at Fort Reno,

## PHYSICIAN DEAD IN OFFICE.

Dr. C. L. Culpepper, of Portsmouth. Commits Suicide Because of Broken Health—Was Prominent and Weal

thy.

THE BANQUET A GREAT SUCCESS.

After the half-hundred and one
Tyros had been prodded across the
desert to the sweet waters of ZeinZem, the entire temple repaired to
the banquet hall adjoining, where an
elaborate spread had been made
ready by the ladies of the St. Elizabeth Guild of the Church of the Holy
Comforter, Dilworth. Just prior to
the serving of the banquet a handsome jewel was presented to Retiring
Potentate F. B. Garey, of Abbeville,
B. C. The menu was as follows:

Temato Soup, Croutons

thy.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 28.—Dr. Charles
L. Culpepper, a leading physician of
Potents with a builet wound
dead in his office with a builet wound
in the head and a pistol lying by his
wilde. The words "broken health" in Dr.
Culpepper's handwriting were found
written on a postal card upon the physician's office test Dr. Culpepper late
yesterday executed two deeds of gift,
giving to his wife valuable property in
they keep open until the deeds could be
recorded, which was done Dr. Culphoned to the clerk's office, asking that
they keep open until the deeds could be
recorded, which was done
Temato Soup, Croutons

the battalion its discharge was necessary for the good of the service. The Palmetto Chickens Beat Tar Heels, Observer published the order in an Special to The Observer. editorial commending the president's discharge of the negro troops for riot at Brownsville, Texas, and cited General Lee as a safe precedent for the President, in a message to Congress iast week giving his reasons for the discharge of the negro troops and defending his course in that matter, Mr. Roosevelt referred to The Observer appended the entire editorial to his message. The Observer has good reason to be "set up" over this notice, especially as that part of the message and the sports had departed.

An incident of the day which cause. editorial, naming the paper, and also the best part of It.

## One Killed, Two Seriously Wounded in Pistol Ducl.

Hamburg, Miss., Dec. 28.—Thad Stanley was killed in a pistol duel here to-day and Dick and W. F. Ma-gee were seriously wounded.

Governor of Province of Akmolinsk. Asiatic Russia, Assassinated.
Omsk, Asiatic Russia, Dec. 28.—
General LitVinoff, governor of the province of Akmolinsk, was assassinated in the street close to his office to-day by two unknown men. DeWitt's Ridney and Bladder Pills guickly drive the poisons from the eye-tem and thus afford relief. A week's treatment for 25c. Sold by Hawley's

THE SHRINERS IN SESSION and is stationed in Asheville. A more EUROPE IS SNOW-SWEPT FLORIDAY TRACKDUS. SITUATION IS GROWING WORSE

Violent Gales and Even Thunds

Violent Gales and Even Thunderstorms Accompany Snowstorms in
Northern Section, Resulting in Serious, Accident Near Arbroath in
Which 50 Persons Were Killed or
Saffered Serious Injury—Telegraph
Service Greatly Disorganized—
Trains Snowbound and Passengers
Suffering From Hunger—Unknown
Vessel Reported Foundared Off
Risostolyn Point, But Lifebont
Found no Sign of Her.
London, Dec. B.—It is many years
since Central Europe generally ins suffered so severely from an Arctic visitstion as it has this Christmas week.
From France, Beigium, Ewigeriand,
Gesmany and Austria-Hungsry the same
tale is reported of heavy snowstorms,
the interruption of railroad, vehicular
and telegraphic communication, the lose
of life and general discomfort and inconvenience in the towns as well as in
the country districts.
According to reports received tonight from northern points in the United Kingdom, the storm situation is
growing worse. The heavy snowstorms
are accompanied by violent gales and
even thunderstorms and have resulted
niready in the rerious accident near Arbreath, Scotland, in which about 50 people were killed or suffered serious injury. Ruliroad traffic in the northern
part of England and especially in Scotland, is becoming completely tied up.
Large towns like Edinburgh, Dundee and
Fevin are almost isolated. The telegraphic service is greatly disorganized.
None of the truins that left London
Thursday over the Midland Railway
has yet reached Edinburgh, while in all
other directions fraims are snowbound
and passengers are suffering from cold
and hunger. The relief trains sent out
are being similarly imbeded in the
snow.
The gales have caused many minor
accidents along the coast. A telegram

are being similarly imbeded in the snow.

The gales have caused many minor accidents along the coast. A telegram from Holyhead says it is learned there that an unknown vessel has foundered off Rhoscolyn Point, Wales. Distress rockets were sent up last night and a lifeboat put out but found no sign of the vessel in distress.

Among the worst sea dimesters thus far reported is the wreck of the Japanese steamer Maru, through the spaping of her anchor cable. No lives were lost in this accident, but the steamer which is on the rocks off Red Car, threatens to become a total loss. A large unknown steamer is reported in distress off Scarborough. She has been sending up rockets for relief for several hours, but the sea is so rough that it is impossible to launch a lifeboat.

## RECOMMENDATION IS OPPOSED.

That School System Should Have Government of Superintendents of Education of Southern Educational Absociation.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 28.—The department of superintendents of education of the Southern Educational Association, went on record to-day as emphatically opposed to the recommendation of Dr. J. W. Abercrombie, president of the association, that there should be government aid to the public school system. The resolution adopted declares that the control of the schools of each State should be in the hands of the State government and by that government supported. The resolution declared in favor of industrial education of the negro, although it was argued on the floor of the convention that education for the negro in any manner was

The convention was addressed tonight by President Craighead, of Tulane University, New Orleans, who attacked the policy of the government for spending millions for the support of a navy and army and practically nothing for education.

## TRAIN RUNS AWAY.

Engine on Georgia Train Takes a Crazy Notion, but Leaps the Track Without Hurting Anybody.

Observer Bureau, 1209 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28. A special to the McCaw News Agency from Augusta to-night says that part of the mixed train which leaves there about midnight for Columbia was

## Davidson Personals. Special to The Observer.

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Davidson, Dec. 28.—Dr. J. P. Munroe is expected to return to-morrow from Columbus. Ga., where he and Miss Anna. Belle Munroe went the first of the week to attend the Munroe-McDuffie wedding, which was solemnized last night. The bridal couple will visit the groom's parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Munroe, spending a part of next week in Hickory. They will not be in Davidson till after the holidays and then only for a very brief stay at best. side. The words broken health in Dr. Culpepper's handwriting were found written on a postal card upon the physician's office less. Dr. Culpepper late yesterday executed two deeds of gift, giving to his wife valuable property in this city and Portemouth and then telephoned to the clerk's office, asking that they keep open until the deeds could be recorded, which was done Dr. Culpepper was prominent and wealthy. His wife was formerly Miss Mary O. Harwood, of Richmond.

Good Reason to be "Set Up."

Statesville Landmark.

Some weks ago The Charlotte Observer published a copy of an order of General Lee disbanding a battalion of Confederate treops for cowardice, the order distinctly stating that while there were some brave men in the battalion its discharge was neces-

Special to The Observer. Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 28 .- Sports from Spartanburg, Gaffney, Salisbury, and Laurens held an all-day cocking main on Saluda river, 26 miles from

the last named placed yesterday.
Birds from North Carolina were pitted against South Carolina games." The Palmetto chanticleers won 9 out of 17 events, netting their owners the

ed some excitement occurred when one of the spectators fell in a fit, and for a time it appeared he would die. Later recovering, however, he continued as an interested witness.

Negro Soldier Seriously Wounds Proprictor of Laundry. Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 28,-

hold up a laundryman in El Reno to-night shot and seriously wounded the proprietor. STODDARD'S LECTURES. The agents for these valuable books are now in Chariotte, filling holiday orders.

For further particulars address GEO, R. SHIPMAN, Manager, Charlotte, N. C.

Prominent Citizen Commits Spicific Near Chipley—Brothers Out Throat of Assilant—Negro Killed and Serveral Whites Wounded at Millon.

Pensacols. Fia. Dec. 28.—News reached here to-night of the suicide near Chipley, Fia. this morning of James Faircloth, a prominent etilison of this section of the Biste. He fired a bullet through his brein, death below international.

ing instantaneous.

Meagre details of a murder which occurred Thursday night reached here to-day. Near Sueads, Fla., Tom Mc-Daniels, a young man, met the two Gitsson brothers and a fight ensued, in which McDaniels' throat was cut

from ear to ear.
At Milton, 20 miles from Pensscola, Christmas night, one negro is report-ed killed and several white persons wounded.

## Railroad Maybe Restrained From Issuing \$60,000,000 Stock.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 28.-Judge Orr, of the District Court, at the instance of Attorney General Young, Great Northern Railroad Company to show cause why a temporary injunc-tion should not be granted pending the final adjudication of the proceed ing to restrain the proposed issue of \$60,000,000 of Great Northern stock. This stock was to be issued January The order is returnable and will be argued January 3.

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