Dickson and Miss Johnsle Dickson west Seventh street on honor of . John Blockwood Oates, of Bir-Mrs. John Blockwood Oates, a himspham, Aia., was one of the most thoroughly enjoyable events of the eason. A surprisingly large number called between the hours of 4:30 and 5:10 o'clock regardless of the inclement and disagreeable weather. The decorations were lovely, the hall, par-lors and dining room being most castefully adorned with potted plants and out flowers of all kinds. The refreshments were delicious. Those receiving were: In the hall— Misses Johnsia Dickson, Julia Robert-

on and Lucy Oates; in the parlor—
Mesdames E. B. Dickson, J. B.
Oates, George Blanton, of Shelby;
Lottle C. Maffitt, R. M. Oates, R. H.
Jordan, T. C. Evans, W. B. Rodman, Ernest Ellison, Wade H. Harris, and W. W. Phifer; in the punch room—Mrs. E. C. Register and Misses Georgia Lowe, Lydia Nash, Helen Liddell, and Mary Brocken-brough and in the dining room— Mesdames W. H. Twitty, E. S. Steele, J. P. McCombs, and Carrie Nathan, Minnie Moore and Sallie Graham. Little Miss Elizabeth Miller received the cards at the door.

Mrs. George W. Bethel returned to her home in Norfolk, Va., yesterday orning after spending several days in the city with Mrs. R. M. Oates.

Mrs. John Blackwood Oates was the some on East Seventh street. Pink formation. was the prevailing color in the beau-tiful dining hall, in the centre of which was the table on which covers for 12 were placed. There were eight courses. Those present aside from the guests of honor were: Mesdames Ernest Ellison, Eben Nye Hutchison, Jr., T. Clancey Evans, Robert A. Dunn, E. Randolph Preston, Lottie H. Humphrey and Misses Florence Thomas, Mary Brockenbrough and Lucy Oates.

Mrs. John M. Scott entertained informally at her lovely home on South street yesterday morning in honor of Mrs. James H. Ross, of Shreveport, La., who is the guest of Mrs. E. L. Keesler. There were present: Mesdames J. H. Ross, E. L. Keesler, W. H. Harris, G. H. Brockenbrough, B. D. Springs, Waiter Scott, A. L. Smith, R. L. Gibbon, E. T. Cansler, T. S. Franklin, R. L. Jones, Bessie A. Patterson, Misses Sallie

returned from Graham, where they Mr. W. S. Wilkinson, of Rocky attended the double wedding at the Mount, spent yesterday in the city,

Mrs. M. A. Swearengen and Miss friends. Kate Torrence have returned from All. W. A. Stansil, of Greensbore Atlanta, Ga., where they spent a was a Charlotte visitor yesterday. week with relatives,

expected to return this evening from Surgeon H. Russell, of the U. S. N., their bridal trip North. They will has been spending a few days in the live at the Central.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Finkle, of Philadephit, Pa., are the guests of Miss the Selwyn last night.

May Oates, at her home on North Prof. J. A. Bivins

Miss Bertha Leonard, of Vienna,

and Mrs. John Blackwood Oates, of Birmingham, Ala., who have been the guests of Mr. Oates' mother, Mrs. R. M. Oates, will leave this evening for their home.

A dance has been arranged for Thanksgiving night in the ball room of the Selwyn Hotel. The dancing will commence at 9:30 o'clock and continue until after midnight. The music will be furnished by the Richardson Orchestra and the chaperones will be: Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Humphrev. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Eben Nye Hutchison, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Graham, Jr., Mrs. Minnie Wriston Smith, Mrs. H. E. C. Bryant, Mrs. D. H. McCullough, and Miss Lucy Oates.

Miss Sarah Hammond, of Columbia, arrived in the city last night and is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John F. Orr. on East avenue. Miss Hammond has spent the fall in Washington with interesting each day. Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Edwards.

A number of friends in this city will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Miss Lella Orr, of Salisbury, to Mr. Arthur Leltoy Butt, next May. of this city. Cards bearing the announcement were issued yesterday nine ministerial delegates and two and are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Orr request the pleasure of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Lella

Mr. Arthur Lettey Butt on Wednesday evening. November the twenty-seventh nineteen hundred and seven

at half after six o'clock Eix hundred one South Fulton Street Balisbury, North Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. Butt will make their

home in Charlotte. Mrs. A. A. Jerry left yesterday morning for Greenshoro to visit her daughter, Mrz. J. Eugene Scott, for

Miss Zoe Hoffman was in the city last night en route to her hame at Orange, N. J., after spending some

Station, visiting relatives. The following invitations will be issued this week:

Mrs. Frederick Oliver. requests the pleasure of your comon the evening of Wednesday,

the fourth of December from 4 to 6. at 408 South Tryon street

To meet Mrs. Joseph George Myers, who was Miss Emily Dailey, of Phil-

For Benefit of Loafers,

The policemen have evidently tired congregating at the station of citizens who have no business there. A notice has been posted to the effect at the lollerer must hereafter pay for the privilege at the rate of \$25 for each stand. This is almed at fellows who stand ground there in the way of policemen at their duty and go there for nothing in the world to eatisfy their curiosity. other notice was posted on the door of the corridor, warning visitors from stepping within. It has been a practice at the local station for almost anybody to enter the corridor and talk to the prisoners, but Chief Christonbury's judgment was against the and none will gaineay

Yew Minor Happenings in aud About the City. If only Charlotte had those pay

-Mrs Armistead Burwell is im

—Pritchard Memorial Baptist church has a new heating plant, which is giving great satisfaction. Rev. W. A. McAulay, who did ministerial work in Charlotte last

—ine managers of the Alexander Rescue Home will meet at the Second Presbyterian church to-morrow af-ternoon at 4 o'clock.

-Mr. W. C. Davis has purchased the photographic establishment which has been run on the third floor of the Postal Building for a number of years by Mr. J. T. Powell.

-Messrs. T. B. Arant, C. J. Gordon and E. T. Pressly have leased the room at No. 24 North Tryon street, and will open a first-class barber shop to-morrow,

-Will Coleman, not at all immaculate in his made-up, was arrested last night for being too heavily loaded with booze. The officers did him a kindness in bringing him in out of the

-A Thanksgiving celebration in the shape of an oyster supper will be given Thursday night by the Young Ladies' Ald Society of Mulberry church at the home of Mr. A. H. Rhyne. The Barium Springs Orphanage will get the proceeds.

-Isaac Steele, a young negro man, was arrested yesterday morning on the charge of breaking into a box car at Fort Mill, S. C., some time ago guest of honor at a delightful lunch- and stealing a sack of flour. He and is valued at \$5.000. given yesterday afternoon at I claimed that it had been "fixed up," now on sale at Hawley's. o'clock by Miss Sara Hargrave at her but he was held pending further in-

-Rev. John A. Smith will preach this morning and to-night at East Avenue Tabernacle. A special Sabbath school programme has been arranged for this afternoon at 3 o'clock features of which will be the singing by the juvenile choir of 35 girls, and the solo by Mrs. Hamilton.

-Their many friends will regret to learn that William, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hagood, is seriously all at their home on Tenth avenue. The little fellow is an attractive child and very popular. He is suffering with congestion of the threat, and was somewhat improved late last evening.

### PERSONAL.

The Movements of a Number of People, Visitors and Others.

Mr. Locke Craig, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Gov-Young, Eva Liddell and Alice Springs. ernor, spent a few hours in the city Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Tate have Asheville.

of Mr. and Mrs. L. Banks stopping at the Selwyn.

Mr. R. R. Little, of Little's Mills, spent yesterday in the city with

Mr. C. F. Shesk, of was a visitor in the city yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Chambers are stopping at the Buford.

Surgeon H. Bussell, of the U. S. N., city with his sister, Mrs. H. G. Link, Mr. G. A. Barfoot, of Newbern. was registered among the guests at Prof. J. A. Bivins, of Monroe, is

at the Central. Ga., is the guest of Mrs. H. L. Adams is spending to-day in the city with at her home on North Tryon street. friends. Mr. M. M. Morgan, of Laurinburg,

was regl among the guesta at the Cent last night. Williams, of Monroe, was Charlotte visitor yesterday. Mr. J. P. Dellinger, of Cherryville, spent last night in the city. Mr. J. A. Sharpe, editor of The

Robesonian. Lumberton, is spending to-day in the city with friends. Mr. G. M. Patterson, of Mooresville, was a guest at the Buford yesterday. Mr. R. A. Moreland, of Greensboro spent yesterday in the city,

### A. M. E. ZION CONFERENCE.

One Delegate Takes a Shot at the Preacher Who Uses Manuscript in the Pulpit-He is Criticised in Turn - Some Reports. Written for The Otserver.

The colored Methodist Conference now in session at Clinton Methodist church on Mint street, grows more Mr. Savage and given an opportunity

Friday afternoon session was of special interest. which meets in Philadelphia, Pa.,

iny delegates.

The ministerial delegates are as Rev. S. D. Watkins and role by the composer.

Couglas, of Charlotte; Revs. The full power and luscious quality W. R. Douglas, of Charlotte; Revs. P. A. McCorke and T. W. Wallace, of Salisbury; Rev. L. W. Kyles, of of Salisbury; Rev. L. W. Kyles, of ployed in giving a deeply sympathetic Winston-Salem; Rev. B. F. Martin interpretation of the role of Suzuki. and H. Blake, of Gastonia; Rev. J. W. Hoger, of Hickory; Rev. H. B. Bennett, of Statesville.

S. Smith districts finished their reports, show- San, Butterfly's Japanese name. But ing remarkable increase along all Suzuki has fine lyric opportunity also. twelve hundred accessions to the gong" of the second act, one of the Church, most of whom were convert- most haunting melodies in the opera. during the year. The reports showed that the been paid larger salaries and more money has been raised for the gen- and Columbus, Ga .- claim her as their

has eved been raised before. time at Monroe. Charlotte and Iros, commending Rt. Rev. G. W. Clin-grand-uncle. Sam Houston, is so reton for the splenaid work he has vered. done since he assumed Episcopal su- she was a pupil of Bouhy, that Mr. pervision of this Conference, and for Savage first heard her voice and the impartial treatment all his men signed her for his English singing have received at his nands. The resolution included a strong petition for the return of Bishop Clinton to this

> Most of Saturday was spent in hearing the reports from the district delegates. One of the delegates created a considerable stir by taking occasion in his report to condemn manuscript sermons and stating that he did not want a preacher who used a manuscript in the pulpit. Several of the ministers were loud in their criticism of such e statement, and took occasion to remark that most preachers would not be willing to have put in print what they preached without writing.

Methodist Union Service.

There will be a Thanksglving service held in Tryon Street Methodist church on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in which all of the Methodist churches of the city and vicinity will unite. Rev. Frank Siler, the new presiding elder of this district, will preach at this time. It is hoped preach at this time. It is hoped that all Methodists will embrace this opportunity for attending a "home coming" service at the mother

LER; HYPNOTIST. The astonishing demonstrations Lee, wisard of the mind, are not only bewildering to the people of the great cities of the world in which he has appeared, but are equally baffling to the professional mesmerists who have witnessed them. By many of the latter Lee is regarded as the most remarkable exponent of the psychic sciences of the twentieth century. The eminent hypnotist will be seen at the Academy of Music for one week begianing Monday. He recently inaugurated his American tour after a sojourn of five years abroad, during Ceylon, seeking knowledge of the mystic powers of the Hindu priests, Parsees and Fire Worshipers. He succeeded in obtaining an insight in-to the weird craft of these people which no other living white man pos-

Professor Lee was with the Younghusband expedition, being the only American ever in the Skassa, the Forbidden City of Taibet. He will explain the mysteries of the Parsee

"RIP VAN WINKLE."

given by a Jefferson and it has been er, was exceptionally good. played by them continually ever since. They have made it the one great classic of the American stage. Thomas Jefferson's production this season is said to be the most elaborate ever given of the play, | His supporting company, always of the best, will be headed by Miss Maggie Moore, whose great success in "Struck Oil" some years ago made her one of the big favorites of the American stage. tralla where her name to-day is a household word.

"COMING THRO' THE RYE." It is apparent that a rarely enjoyable entertal ment has been provided for the the. . c-goers of Charlotte at the Academy of Music in the near fu-

of genuine worth in every feature of the performance. There are eighty people in the presenting company, made up of comedians, singers and dancers, whose work is supplemented by a lavish sartorial equipment which is sail to be without a parallel in re-cent productions of this character. "Coming Thro' the Rye," is the work of George V. Hobart, a humorous writer of distinction, with music by A. Baldwin Sloane, who is responsible spending to-day in the city, stopping for many of the scores recently heard Dr. Thomas Ruffin, of Chapel Hill, These two names carry conviction of in musical plays and comic operas. nerit of an unusually high order, and it may be taken for granted at the outset that the work of librettist and composer will prove decidedly entertaining. Mr. Hobart is said to have evolved a strikingly original story, of deft construction and admirable coherency, and to have devised inci-dents and situations of the kind which evoke uproarious laughter without reourse to those slap-jack unreal elements which are drawn upon by most authors of musical comedy to create laughter.

A SOUTHERN PRIMA DONNA. Among the sextette of prima donna ongbirds in the "Madam Butterfly" grand opera company which Henry W. Savage has started on its second continental tour, none has attracted more attention than Miss Ethel Housthe rarely gifted Southern girl. Miss Houston is only one of several ambitious young women from the South who have been discovered by to enter the charmed circle of star-

Others Include Jean Lane Brooks, The Conference of Fort Smith, Arkansas, now singing elected delegates to reresent it in in Brussels; Yvonne de Treville, of the ensuing General Conference, Galveston, now singing in Paris; Josephine Ludwig, of St. Louis, recently of the Paris Grand Opera; Claude The Conference is entitled to Albright, of Albuquerque, now in Munich, and Rena Vivienne, of McAllister, I. T., now one of the favorite "Madam Butterfly" selected for the

of her gorgeous contralto is now emthe Japanese maid, who is so devoted to Madam Butterfly during the three The lay del- acts of Puccini's fascinating opera. Dr. J. T. Williams and From the dramatic if not from the vocal standpoint. Suzuki is a more The presiding elders of the five exacting part than that of Cao-Cao-There have been more than notably in the beautiful "Flower The South is most loyal to Miss pastors have Houston and no less than three towns -Birmingham, Montgomery, Ala., eral Church and all purposes than very own. Her family is also well known in Tennessee The Conference passed a resolution where the name of her illustrious But it was in Paris, where forces four years ago, Since then she has mastered a repertoire of German, French and Italian operatic roles and has taken rank with America's greatest contralto artists.

In "Madam Butterfly" Miss Houston divides honors with Harriet Behnee, another superb American contralto, who was secured from the Berl'n Royal Opera Company.

The Hutten and Balley Stock Company will be the attraction at the Academy of Music for one week besinning Monday, December 2d, and during the local engagement a repertoire of high class plays will be of-

"THE PRINCE CHAP."

The cleverest, prettiest and most nteresting comedy presented Broadway in many years, was the universal comment of the New York critics regarding "The Prince Chap," Cyril' Scott and the production from the Madison Square Theatre are due here shortly.

A SIGNIFICANT PRAYER. coming" service at the mother church.

The offering male at this service will be devoted to the Western North Carolina Conference Orphanage or Children's Home.

The offering male at this service ien's Arnica Salve known to alle" writes J. G. Jenkina of Chapel Hill, N. C. It can be devoted to the Western North Carolina Conference Orphanage or Children's Home.

The offering male at this service ien's Arnica Salve known to alle" writes J. G. Jenkina of Chapel Hill, N. C. It can be described in the wonderfully short time." Best on earth for sores, burnes and wounds. Ze. at all druggiets.

Monogrammed Buildings makes a dulaty Christman A CENTLEMAN TO A LADY.

> Send your orders now so that they can be executed in ample time. Eamples and prices furnished upon appli-cation. J. P. STEVENS ENGRAVING CO., manufacturers of Society Stationery, 47 Whitehall sireet, At-

"THE VIRGINIAN."

Mr. Frank Campeau, as Trampas, and Mr. W. S. Hart, as The Virginian, Share Honors in Owen Wister's Fa-mous Story at the Academy.

version of "The Virginian,," Owen sition, Wister's well-known Western story, which time he penetrated the utmost confines of India, Egypt, Africa and shared the honors with Mr. W. S. Hart, the star, at the Academy last night. But for a bad cold which prevented him from articulating distinctly, Mr. Hart would have mea ured fully up to the standard set by Dustin Farnum last spring. Mr. Campeau was just as good last night as he was when he appeared here with Dustin Farnum and that is much as could be sald in his praise. Mr. Hart's concepexplain the mysteries of the Parsee tion of the character he por-priests and Brahamin hypnotists in trayed and his interpretation of giving his own demonstrations. At the excelled features of the story were such entertainments the wizard of the faultless. He even excelled Mr. Farmind displays the most astonishing num in his pronunciation, the one dress ever seen in America. This is particular thing in which Mr. Farnum the state robe of the Maharamic of could have been surpassed. The sup-Hutwa, District of Saru, Bengal, In- port was first class, the company on dia. It is woven of 18 karat gold the whole being well balanced and Seats are the members thoroughly familiar with their parts. Campeau's superb acting in the duel scene of the last act is seldom equaled and hardly ever ex-Thomas Jefferson in "Rip Van celled on the local stage. Miss Anne Winkle" will be seen at the Academy Meredith. as Molly Wood, was good of Music in the near future. It is to look at as was also Mr. Hart, the sixty-five years since the first per- two making a fine looking couple. The formance of "Rip Van Winkle" was house, considering the beastly weath-

Mr. C. B. Cabaniss Wins First Prize. Mr. C. B. Cabaniss was the fortunate winner of the first prize in the far-of-beans guessing contest at the Central Hotel clgar stand last night. his estimate being 2.933. Capt. A. J. Cheatham, with 2.941, won second prize and Mr. T. T. Creswell, with 2.942, won the third prize. This week the contest will be as to the Of late years her labors have been number of seed in a pumpkin. Mr. confined mostly to England and Aus-Michael, proprietor, allows one guess with every purchase.

A HARD DEBT TO PAY. "I owe a debt of gratitude that can never be said off." writes G. S. Clark, of Westfield, Iowa, "for my rescue from death, by Dr. King's New Discovery. Both lungs were so seriously affected that death seemed imminent, when I commenced taking New Discovery. The it is the production of "Coming Taro' the Rye," which was one of the distinct successes of last season, and concerning which enough has been said and written to carry conviction of genuine worth in every feature of gists. 50c. and \$1. Trial bottle free.

Dudy

Order Your Christmas Piano From STIEFF To-Day

Chas M. Stieff

Manufacturer of the Artistic stieff, Shaw and Stieff Self-Player Planos,

Southern Wareroom: 5 West Trade St., CHARLOTTE, N. C. C. H. WILMOTH, Mgr.

Take Hold of It

nowdelft" at the Jame Mr. Frank Campeau, as Trampas, and
Mr. W. S. Hart, as The Virginian,
Share Honors in Owen Wister's Famons Story at the Academy.
Mr. Frank Campeau, who took the
part of Trampas, in Kirke La Shelle's
stillon

> \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* DIRECT FROM PARIS

THE THEATO The World's Greatest HAND-COLORED PICTURE Alibaba and The Forty Thieves

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# Small though tor len Books Large Enough for Ten Thousand Books

Sold in sections, each section holding from twenty-five to fifty books.

As your books accumulate, you add to your bookcase, one or ? two sections at a time. It is so constructed that any size case is complete in itself.

You can get it in any finish, almost any size units, and in all popular ! woods. Practical, inexpensive, artistic, this is the famous Globe-Wernicke "Elastic" Bookcase.

We carry it in stock at all times and invite you to call and inspect, or will gladly have a salesman call and make estimate for you if de-

Stone & Barringer Co.

Office Outfitters. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

"GET IT AT HAWLEY'S."

### Our **Pharmacy**

is truly the home and repository of pure and fresh medicines.

It is essentially a PRESCRIPTION STORE!

Here you get just what your physician prescribes and nothing else. We do not use cheap medicines or vile substitutes to menace your health, delay your recovery, and perhaps to

JEOPARDIZE YOUR LIFE.

## **Pharmacy**

Academy advance sale three days ahead. 'Phones 13 and 260.



It's pure, good and it's coffee, no chicory or other substitutes: just plain, oldfashioned, genuine coffee. Caraja is guaranteed to One-pound net please. weight cans, twenty-five cents, or five-pound net weight cans or pails for one dollar. White House Coffee, the very top notch of coffee excellence, at your grocer's.

On our floors for your inspection are displayed a very select assortment of handsome three and fivepiece Parlor and Library Suits, beautifully upholstered in Verona Velour, Tapestry and Leather. We are making a special reduction on these Suits, for a limited time only.

3-piece Library Suit in selected Oak, upholstered in Leather ..... \$42.50

3-piece Mahogany Suits, upholstered in Leather; various designs... ...... \$45.00, \$50.00, \$65.00, \$75.00 3-piece Mahogany Parlor Suits, upholstered in Velour. Special price..... \$19.50 Special values in 3-piece Suits with loose cushions

.... \$25.00, \$30.00, \$37.50, \$45.00 5-piece Suits, upholstered in Verona and silk Velour, ..... \$87.50 to \$90.00 We have a number of extra good values in Divans, with A number of fine Parlor Chairs in odd designs are also 

Our greatest desire is to satisfy you, and if you are not pleased with what you get from us, we are always glad to either make an exchange or refund your money.

# T. McCoy

The Home Furnisher.



IN THE MAKING You can commence with "little drops of water." In the building up of a business you can commence with 'truth.' Truth about the quality, style and price of

FURNITURE

is what has established our reliability—and the reliability of our goods.

Our Thanksgiving Stock excells all previous collections, so much so that we are a bit modest about telling you all. Just call and see

for yourself. You'll be convinced. LUBIN FURNITURE CO.

The South's Largest and Oldest. The Life Insurance Company of Virginia HOME OFFICE - - RICHMOND

ORGANIZED 1871. This company is over thirty-six years old and during its long career has won the hearty approval and support of the people by its promptness and fair dealing.

A Few Figures

Total payments to policyholders over SEVEN AND A HALF
MILLION DOLLARS.
Assets over THREE MILLION DOLLARS. Insurance in force over FIFTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS.

The Life Insurance Company of Virginia makes Life Insurance available where it was once beyond the reach of many. By its plans each member of the home circle can be a partner in mak-

A Safety Fund for the Family

The company issues all the most approved forms of Life Insurance Contracts from \$500.00 to \$25,000.00,
WITH PREMIUMS PAYABLE QUARTERLY, SEMI-ANNUALLY The company issues Industrial Policies from \$8.00 to \$800.00 with premiums payable weekly on persons from two to seventy

ALL CLAIMS PAID WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER RECEIPT OF PROOFS OF DEATH. This Company's Great Growth is Due to
Cause One: Its Conservative Management.
Cause Two: Its Absolute Fidelity to its Contracts.
Cause Three: Its wide range of policies, affording insurance to
each member of the family and to all classes.
Cause Four: Its progressive spirit and quickness in discerning
the insurance needs of the masses, and its readiness in giving
insurance adapted to their requirements.

H. T. Page, Supt., 207 S. Tryon St.