

FIRST MEETING OF YEAR

A BUSY SESSION OF ALDERMEN

Mr. E. P. McKenize is elected member of the Board from Ward Three to succeed Mr. C. A. Williams...

Mr. Loring P. MacKenize is the newest acquisition to the city's aldermanic board. Nominated last night in a neat speech by Alderman W. S. Shelor...

AS TO THE ABATTOIR. The much agitated slaughter house proposition assumed a new shape...

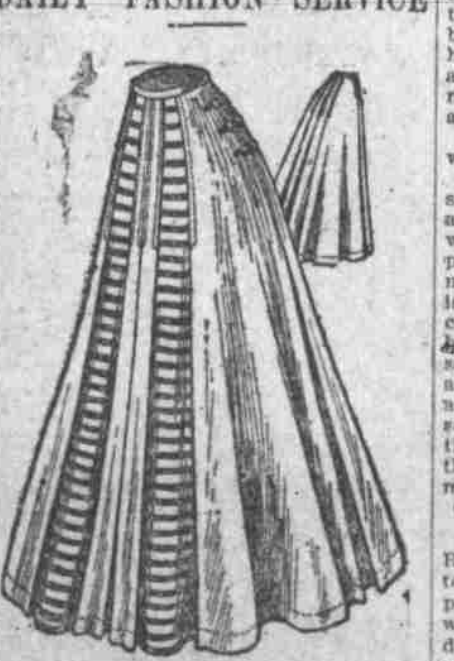
ABATTOIR COMMITTEE REPORTS. Up again came the matter of the proposed abattoir. Chairman W. W. Haywood, of the committee...

OTHER PROPOSITIONS. The clerk read a letter from Mr. Arnold M. Shaw, asking permission to build a slaughter pen on land adjoining the Shaw harness company...

Mr. A. B. Justice appeared in behalf of the owners of the two slaughter pens still within the city limits...

Mr. Fisher spoke earnestly, warmly and plainly in favor of the project. He declared to be a primary duty of every public officer...

DAILY FASHION SERVICE



LADIES' SINGAPORE PLAITED SKIRT. Paris Pattern No. 2187. All Sizes Allowed.

It is an excellent model for the separate skirt to wear with shirt-waists of silk or linen. It may be developed to advantage in broad cloth, serge, checked or striped broad or tailoring, or any of the Scotch or English wools...

MR. SCOTT FORFEITS BOND.

Alderman G. G. Scott, who several months ago was required to give \$1,000 bond not to bring up the revenue for any other purpose...

WELL-KNOWN NEGRO DEAD.

Old "Doctor" John Knox, a Prominent and Likable Old Negro, Succumbs to Dropsy.

Crepe should hang to-day at the door of every soldier boy in Charlotte for "Doctor" John Knox, a likeable old negro is dead...

MAYOR MAKES STATEMENT.

At this point Mayor Franklin rose in his chair to relieve his mind. "It is very desirable, gentlemen, that we understand just where we stand financially," he said.

A motion that the salary of the recorder of the City of Charlotte be increased from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per annum...

Secretary Taft Strongly Advocates Increased Pay for Army Officers. Secretary Taft is a strong advocate of increased pay for the army as his annual report just sent to Congress indicates.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE. The President's letter of acceptance is as follows: "The White House, Washington, Dec. 24th, 1907."

BRYAN AT OMAHA.

Speaks to Four Hundred Guests at Celebration of Jacksonian Club. His Subject "The Moral Elements in Pending Issues."

On suggestion of Mr. J. A. McEwen presenting the Charlotte Auditorium, a motion was passed authorizing Aldermen McEwen and Williams to cancel the first deed of trust to the city...

Next was passed the ordinance which makes the city clerk and treasurer the purchasing agent, under the approval of the mayor.

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BIENNIAL HEALTH REPORT.

Number of Cases of Smallpox Increased But Death Rate Declined—Commissioners to Meet at Washington to Dispose of Jameson's Boston Property—Increase in Property Valuation Not as Much as Expected.

Observer Bureau, Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The eleventh biennial report of the State board of health has just been issued by Secretary Richard H. Lewis, covering the two-year period. It sets the number of cases of smallpox has increased, but the death rate has diminished, the gradual decrease in the death rate during the past four years being quite striking.

There were only 17 deaths out of 6,849 cases. This makes it easy to understand why the people are so indifferent to this disease and why it is difficult to prevent its spread. Of the cases 2,798 were of whites; 3,251 of negroes and of the deaths 1 were white and 12 colored. The disease prevailed in 67 counties. In 1904 there were the largest number of cases, 7,375 in 28 counties. The highest death rate was in 1902 when it was 10 times as great as at present.

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FATAL RAILWAY WRECK.

Large Proportions Alleged to Be Due to Defective Discipline.

New York Times. It is a reproach that persons should be killed by scores and hundreds, for the most part by defective discipline. Yet this is the greatest cause of railway disasters in the United States.

THOMASVILLE NEWS NOTES.

Graded School Resumes Work Again With Small Attendance—Cement Sidewalk to Be Laid—Board of Main and Randolph Streets Organized. Special to the Observer.

Thomasville, Jan. 6.—The graded school opened today after six weeks suspension on account of scurvy fever. There were 78 present and as soon as the school is over the graded school will resume its normal condition.

Why Murder Flourishes. Rock Hill Record. J. W. Lance, one of the book agents who murdered Ben Lewis Hood, a colored farmer, at his home a few miles from Monroe, a little more than a year ago, shot and killed a little white girl at a station near Asheville last night.

Wise Counsel From the South.

"It is not to give some valuable advice to those who reach with him back and kidney trouble," says J. R. Blanks of Beck, Tenn. "I have proved in an absolute certainty that Electric Bitters will positively cure this disease."

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