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WASHINGTON LETTER.
Democrats Solid for Canal—Difference of Opinion as to Nicaragua or Panama Routes—Reduction of Wages and Hours of Labor for All Classes of Parent.

Washington, D. C., Jan 6, 1904.—The consensus of opinion here regarding the building of an isthmian canal is universal in favor of the canal among all sorts of public men, but they differ radically when it comes to the route and the methods adopted by the republican administration in making the Panama route the only one over which the canal can be built. The democrats in Congress are a unit in favor of the canal; but they do not intend to let the skull-duggery of the present administration prevail if they can help it, and I think they will. They are not satisfied with the message of the President which he sent to the Senate on the subject of Panama, and they think that he has evaded the main questions asked him, and they will not stand for it. He has not cleared up the mystery surrounding the movements of this government just previous to the announcement that the Panama route was born, and they either will have the facts or the Panama treaty will not be ratified, all the talk of the republican leaders to the contrary notwithstanding. The democrats want a canal, but they want it with honor. They know that the Panama route is not the only one that there is in that section of the world, and that the Nicaragua route is better than the Panama; but that so many people will die of fever while the canal is being built, and that there is a law unrepealed on the statute books of the nation authorizing the President of the United States to negotiate with the republics of Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the right of way for such a canal. Furthermore, they know that the money has been appropriated for the Nicaragua route, and has not been appropriated for the Panama route. They do not like the antics of the administration in this matter, and, notwithstanding the instructions given to their legislators, they will refuse to obey them so far as the Panama route is concerned, because they know that it is not the only chance for a canal, and they will defeat the ratification of the Panama treaty and demand that the law concerning the Nicaragua canal be carried out. We will then have a canal much nearer the United States, and especially the southern states than would be the Panama canal, and they will have rebuked the republican administration for its disregard of law and the outrageous conduct in robbing the United States of Columbia of one of its states. Unless the President of the United States can make a better defense of his position in this Panama deal than he has done, the Panama treaty will not be ratified, provided the democrats stand together as they now say they will do. We will have a canal and we will want the republican administration in the new year. The democrats in the House of Representatives tried mightily hard this week to get the republicans to agree to an investigation of the post-office scandals, but they failed. The republicans refuse to be investigated. They killed a resolution for the purpose of calling an investigation of the Bristow charges by referring it to a committee by a slim vote of 107 to 111. After it is referred to the committee it will continue to sleep in the pigeon-hole of the desk of the chairman of the committee. That should show the people of the country where the sincerity of the republican party lies in this matter. They know full well that if the investigation is ever pulled off it will put more kinds of big republicans in a hole and soap the sides and pull up the ladder, than any man now dreams of. That is why they will smother the thing in its inception. The people may draw their own conclusions. Some of the republican leaders on the floor of the House are repeatedly saying on their feet that there never were more prosperous times in this country than at present, and that the working man now gets all the work he wants at remunerative wages. This is not true. The working man not only is getting his wages cut by all the big trusts and corporations in the country, but the government itself is cutting wages. The Boston Transcript, a good republican paper, of December 31st last, has an item to the effect that the men employed in the Charleston Navy Yard will have their wages cut from \$2.00 per day to \$1.84 per day, and that there was considerable opposition to the matter and much indignation. The beginning of hard times is not only visible among the laboring men of the country, but among the better paid classes of people. That is evidenced by the falling-off in the attendance at the theatres all over the country, and by the number of actors who are stranded and hunting for work, there being fully 300 companies disbanded in the last thirty days, and over 2,000 actors out of employment. If that is republican prosperity then the sooner the people get rid of it the better for them. The discussion among the men in Congress who are leading democrats, concerning the divergent gain in New York on the fourth instant to the Hon. George B. McClellan, is to the effect that the speech of Hon. Richard Olney, of Massachusetts, in support of Grover Cleveland as the man who should be nominated by the democrats for the presidency, had completely eliminated himself from the running, and injured the chances of Judge Parker, inasmuch as he was considered the residuary legatee of Cleveland. Things here are rapidly narrowing down to Gorman and Hearst, with Hearst in the lead. Although the republican "Stand-Patters" have not budged from their position on the tariff question, which is that it is inadvisable to disturb the "graft" of the trusts by lowering the duties that protect them during a presidential campaign, and when the "fat-frying" process is the only resort for a big campaign fund, yet from the way they twist and squirm, it is evident that the position of the "Stand-Patters" is getting very uncomfortable. So great has the pressure for lower duties become that two republican Senators have actually introduced bills to put important articles on the free list. Senator Lodge has introduced a bill to put hides, and Secretary Owen one for put boots and shoes on the free list. Nobody knows better than these two Senators that revenue producing or reducing bills are out of order in the Senate, unless they come from the House; both have acted in this childish way simply and solely to still the voices of the people in Massachusetts and Wyoming. Both Senators winked at each other while introducing their boncombe bills. Senator Warren's bill was to offset Lodge's. Senator Warren probably did not know that four-fifths of the boot and shoe manufacturers of New England have asked for free hides, and have expressed a willingness to have the duties on boots and shoes taken off, if necessary to obtain free hides. Hence Warren's bill, if enacted with Lodge's, would not spite Massachusetts "a little bit." If both bills could be introduced in the House and could become law, the leather trust would not continue to sell leather to foreign manufacturers 10 per cent below what ours have to pay, and the cost of making boots and shoes here would be reduced about 8 per cent. The charitable societies which are usually busy this year supplying shoes to the poor would appreciate even an 8 per cent. reduction in the price of shoes. Republican newspapers are not boasting about the fact that bituminous coal will go back to the dateable list on January 15. They don't want the tariff question agitated. Neither do the trusts. For the ten months ending last October, during the whole of which period the suspension of the duty was operative, the exports of coal from the United States were 3,254,948 tons, compared with 4,235,007 for the same period of '02, and with 4,34,324 tons in '01. That is, the exports increased over 750,000 tons in 1903, when the duty was suspended. The imports of coal into the United States in the first ten months of '03 were 2,887,031 tons, compared with 1,768,803 in the first ten months of '02, and 1,671,848 in the corresponding period of '01. All parts of the country have received benefit from free coal, but the Pacific Coast has probably been most benefited. The opportunity to bring inward cargoes of coal instead of sailing in ballast has made it possible for the merchant vessels docking at Pacific ports to cut grain freights eight and ten cents per bushel, as compared with the rates for 1902. In that way the coming of ships which free coal has invited has, it is calculated, added \$2,000,000 to the profits of the farmers of the Pacific Northwest, and probably as much to the profits of the lumber men. The greatest good to the greatest number requires that coal remain on the free list; that the welfare of the coal trust requires that the duty of 67 cents per ton be replaced. This is a trust Congress and the duty goes back on. Speaking of the coal trust reminds me of the fact that on January 4, the United States Supreme Court advanced the case of the Interstate Commerce Commission vs. David G. Beard, and set the hearing for March 7. This case was instituted at the instance of W. H. Hearst, and involves the right of the commission to compel the anthracite coal-carrying roads to produce contracts with the coal companies, and to enforce their terms to questions. It is the fault of Mr. Beard that the obvious trust was not broken last year, and that the people are not now getting coal at competitive and reasonable prices. CHARLES A. EDWARDS.

Russell's Letter Produced.
A few days ago, in an interview in Washington, ex-Governor D. L. Russell challenged Miss Mary C. Darby, Wilmington's postmaster, to prove that she had paid his expenses to Washington. On Thursday of last week Miss Darby, in answer to the challenge, showed the following letter, in the former Governor's own hand-writing: "Miss Mary: I will go to Washington Thursday night. Robinson will go with me. Please send me \$100 and send me Miss Spenser. "Yours truly," "D. L. RUSSELL."

MONTGOMERY NEWS.
From the Examiner.
Married on the 20th inst., at the residence of Taylor Blake, William Roberson and Nancy Wright, C. T. Green officiating.
Rev. H. M. Ingram has resigned pastorate of Holy Mount church and Rev. W. M. Bostick has been called to fill the place.
Masters Junie and Reid Page, returned to Biocoe Tuesday from a visit to congressman Robert N. Page's family, to Washington city.
Mr. Lucy H. Ward, of Mt. Gilead, and Miss Belle Monroe, of Biocoe, were married in the church, December 22nd, by Rev. G. A. Oglesby. Mr. and Mrs. Ballard will make Mt. Gilead their future home.
Miss Alice Bruton re-opened her school near Swift Island Monday.
Mr. Tom Hanson who has been with his people at Carthage for several weeks is with us again.
Miss Bertha Hurley left for the Louisville Female College Monday.
Misses Ida and Alice Smithman visited in Sumpter, S. C., during the holidays.
Miss Alice Spithman returned to her school near Star Monday.
Miss Ida Pool of Rockingham spent Sunday in town on her way to her school near Mt. Gilead.
The Troy Supply Co. has opened up a general line of merchandise in the old W. W. Mills stand.
Mr. C. A. Cochran, who is attending school at the University spent a few days in town last week.
Miss Della Deaton, the accomplished daughter of Mr. J. M. Denton formerly of Troy but now of Roby, S. C., was married to a Mr. Hentley on the 20th ult.
The following girls who are attending school away spent the holidays at home: Miss Zula Bruton, of the Greensboro Normal, Misses Hester Allen and Maggie Wright, of the Baptist Female University, Miss Letta Smithman, of Randolph Macon, and Miss Susanna Stoney, of the Louisville Female College.
At Rocky Creek on Dec 24, 1903, Mr. John Robinson and Miss Nellie Hawkins were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. Rev. K. O. Horner officiating.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER.
Raleigh, N. C., Jan 11th 1904.
In statecraft and politics the coming year promises to be a most important year, in both state and nation, and it will be a year in which our people will be more than ordinarily interested in their favorite newspapers, the circulation of which ought to grow proportionately.
With the nomination and election of a president, a governor and lieutenant governor and other state and judicial officers, an congressman, a new legislative and county officers, there will be plenty doing in the field of politics—and, judging by the indications, a larger percentage of our people (including not only the usual quota of native "politicians," but many business men, clergymen and other classes of citizens) will take an active part in those matters than in many years.
The demand for first-class men to fill the public offices is unmistakable, and our party will this year nominate its best and strongest available men. It seems to be a foregone conclusion that the temperance question will figure more largely in the campaign than heretofore, for the sentiment of sobriety has grown rapidly and largely of late and the anti-liquor element is stronger and more aggressive than formerly—more so than some seem to be aware. The State Democratic party, through legislative action, is already committed to reform along this line, and if it has an opposition at the polls it will be largely backed and supported by the liquor and the open saloon interests.
Local option being urged, the party is not committed in local and municipal contentions of this character when the demand for prohibition or dispensaries is not backed up by the public sentiment of the community—for it was long ago found to be worse than impracticable to force such matters upon an unwilling and protesting majority. Nevertheless, the state democratic party of North Carolina is the friend and advocate of temperance reform. The passage of the Watta law a year ago by the Democrats of the General Assembly is a witness to this fact, and the party's correctness in this great question will doubtless be exemplified in future legislatures.
Of course there are many Democrats, and some of the party's leaders, in some of the party's leaders, who do not fully subscribe to the views of the majority. These may make a fight in the next state convention over the planks of the platform than to be adopted, and they may prefer certain candidates for nomination to public offices other than those which the convention may nominate. But the opposition to the great bulk of these gentlemen will cease with the adjournment of the convention, and they will not, to any large extent or considerable number, wonder off into the fold of any anti-democratic organization that may be formed (as has already been predicted and threatened in certain quarters) because of the liquor question.
It will require a greater and a higher moral issue than the advocates of whiskey and saloons can turn up to split their cause, to split and successfully divide the Democratic party of North Carolina and the South. And no opposition party can hope to succeed unless it can split, almost in twain, the present Democratic alignment of Southern white voters. A wise and fore seeing public man said to me, when the constitutional amendment passed the legislature, for submission to the people, that its adoption and the practical elimination of the unlettered negro vote would soon break the hold of the distillers and whiskey dealers and saloon interests in state politics, the basis of whose influence in politics he alleged to be the 75,000 or more negro votes which they could command or buy.
And yet there are many good men, many of whom are sober men and some whose practically "totalers," who do not believe in "sumptuary laws" and who have voted for years and will again vote as often as occasion prevents against prohibition or further restriction of the liquor traffic. Most of these have never personally examined the course of strong drink." LLEWIS AM.

SAN JONES' LETTER.
Atlanta Journal.
I returned home from my eastern and northern tour last Saturday night, with gratitude to God, and general good will toward mankind, for nothing fosters gratitude more in the human heart than to feel "that the human heart, toils and suffers through many dangers, toils and snares we have already come. That it was grace which brought us thus far, and grace will take us home." My highest conception of heaven is that heaven is an ideal home.
I am still holding my vast crop, not so much for higher prices, as for a bulwark against my creditors. I know I am safe until I sell. My creditors meet me with a smile now, but when I sell my cotton I am afraid they will meet me with a frown. It seems to me to be a philosophical proposition that if a man's notes won't pay him out, he had better keep his cotton. There is nothing like the feeling of protection and nothing will best keeping your creditors in a good humor. I have a neighbor who has eight bales of cotton. He and I made a compact the other day that we would not both sell on the same day for fear we might bear the market on heavy receipts. Surely the southern farmer is on top one time, and he shows it. He is not only independent now, but he is beginning to be a little easy. They will tell you they have got corn for sale, but they will wait for a better price, when heretofore they were rolling into town by wagon loads during November and December of each year. I was talking with some Georgia friends the other day who had spent three weeks in Southern Texas. They said that they had seen fields of cotton a hundred acres, and the stalks as high as a man's head, and not a bale of cotton in the hundred acre field this year. The boll weevil had done the work. And they said Texas is all agog on how to get rid of the boll weevil.
It is said that a man had put a boll weevil between two blocks of wood and kept him there four days and look him out and let him out and in the sunshine, in a few moments he began to wiggle, and life was apparent. In an hour he was clean gone. They have tried all remedies. One fellow reported that he built a big brush fire over a dozen boll weevils, set the brush on fire, and as soon as the boll weevils got red hot they flew out of the fire and lit on his barn, set it on fire, and burnt it up. The boll weevil is doing up the cotton fields of Texas nearly as bad as suits for damages and taxes and so on are doing up the Atlanta street railway company. He is the only way out for the company seems to be the method the old Jew suggested, when he was met down the street by a brother Israelite who said, "Brother Jacob, did you hear about that operation on Isaac?" "No," he says "what operation?" He replied, "He had that appendicitis, and they took him over to the hospital, laid him on the table, and took his appendix right away from him, and he is doing well." To which the other replied, "Did they take his appendix away from him?" "Yes," said the other, "they did." "Well, Isaac was a fool," the other replied, "for if he had only put this appendix in his wife's name, they could not have taken it away from him to save their lives." If I were the Atlanta street car company, I would put the whole business in my wife's name, then they could not take money on damages away from them. And it does look like sometimes railroads and street cars and every individual who has anything will have to put it in his wife's name, or they will take it away from him. I tell you, when a man has anything and takes out leakage, and rags, and stealage and taxes, and life insurance, and pays for the foot mistakes which the average fellow makes the cash he has on hand the first day of January would hardly pay a negro's fine in Judge Briles' court. But all in all, I believe that, the south is the most prosperous section of the whole world. I know of no state or country where everybody and all classes are doing so well as they are in the south. Cotton at 13 and 14 cents. The gold fields of Alaska, Colorado and California; the diamond fields of the Transvaal; the thrift, sprightliness and economy of Yankee Doodle ain't in it with us.

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Thrift Young Gentlemen.
One day last week, a well-dressed young man approached a Lumberton grocer and said, "See here, I don't know you nor do you know me, but I don't mind telling you I am strapped, and I want you to credit me with ten cents' worth of goods." "All right, certainly," said the sympathizing merchant. "What will you have?" "Give me a bar of that soap," said the young man, and he bought a long, yellow bar of laundry soap, and, taking his knife, deliberately cut it into small pieces, remarking that the people liked to be humbugged, and that he would gratify them. He then asked for some tin foil that had come off tobacco, neatly wrapped up his soap, and went out. Twice he returned and brought more soap, paying for the first bar, of course, and before the evening train, he came and showed the grocer a handful of change, remarking that he could now leave town, but fancy part is, when the grocer went home he learned that his wife had bought two pieces of the soap.—Lumberton Grays.

CHARLES A. EDWARDS.
Youthful Prodigy.
A special from High Point says an eleven-year-old girl from the country gave a concert in the opera house there Friday night, the proceeds being for her education. She was a remarkable girl for her showing, this little country girl, who with a hair made out of a cigar box, dispersed pleasing and very creditable selections. She also manipulated the old time "fiddle" and other instruments, recited, sang and did other pleasing stunts for her audience. The audience in turn applauded vociferously and the little lady looked happy. It was the crowning period of her life to be on such a large stage with so many people looking into her face. Proudly she carried out the program and when the curtain fell for the last time she gaily tripped to the wagon waiting on the outside for her, where with light heart and big aspirations, she sought a new home in the country over by.—Greensboro Patriot.

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Bombay Items.
Christmas and New Year have come and gone, which found our community enjoying fine health, except the wife of Thos. L. Russell, who is suffering from an abscess on her ankle which does not seem to improve.
During Christmas time one marriage took place, one Mr. Hoover, of Concord township, to Miss Mollie Cranford, of New Hope, J. C. Skean, Esq., of Davidson county officiated.
Professor S. T. Lassiter and Miss Dora Lassiter, of Bombay Institute, had a most delightful entertainment on the night of December 22nd. There was lots of fun for both young and old. They have a fine flourishing school. The spring session bids fair to be much better than the fall session.
On the evening of the 24th the New Hope Sunday school gave an enjoyable entertainment and a nice Christmas tree which was greatly enjoyed by the little ones. At the close of the entertainment Hays J. W. Strider, S. T. Lassiter and Mr. J. F. Lyndon made some fine talks, very appropriate for the occasion.
The saw mills are playing havoc with the fine timber in the community. Johnson & Lassiter, W. D. Lottin & Co., Alex. Stood & Co., and Thomas Sykes are all in New Hope township.
Trusting your most valuable paper will have a prosperous year. We will stop for this time.

Trinity Locals.
The spring term of Trinity High School opened Tuesday morning, January 5th, with a good attendance. Although some of the old students did not return new ones have taken their place.
Prof. J. T. Henry spent Monday in Asheboro on business.
Miss Eva Heitman returned Monday to Greensboro after spending the holidays at home with her parents.
Miss Indie Young returned Saturday to New Salem to resume her place as teacher.
Prof. J. F. Liles spent a day or two here last week after spending the holidays at his home in Tarboro. Prof. Liles has accepted a position as principal of the Randleman High School and left for that place Saturday.
Prof. D. C. Johnson and Miss Emma Johnson left Monday for Kearsneyville after visiting relatives here.
It is learned that the Free Rural Delivery Route from Trinity to Fallers will be installed about the 15th of January.
The Christmas and new year holidays were very quiet here.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lowe have moved into "Spire W. N. Elder's" house on Main Street. Glad to welcome them to our town.
Mr. T. J. Andrews has moved his family to High Point.
We extend our sympathies to Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Caviness in the death of their infant child which was interred in the cemetery at Hopewell.
Mrs. Eugene H. Abex and children, of Winston-Salem, visited relatives in town last week.
Miss Bessie Dunlap returned Saturday to resume her place as teacher in the school here after spending the Xmas holidays at her home in Ansonville.
Mr. R. F. Harris, of this place, has accepted a position as fireman on the Southern Railway.
Mr. Herbert Ballance a young traveling man spent Christmas here with his father, Mr. J. W. Ballance.
Miss Corinna Kearns, of Winston-Salem, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Emily Heitman.
Mr. J. B. White, of Greensboro, was in town this week.
A great deal of complaint is heard here caused by the bad schedule on the railroad which is hoped will not last long.
Mrs. O. W. Carr returned Saturday from a short visit to relatives in Greensboro.
Miss Edie White and Master Spurgeon have been visiting at home during Christmas.

Franklinville Items.
Rev. C. A. Wood preached an excellent missionary sermon in the M. E. church Sunday morning, and Rev. J. F. Allred filled the same pulpit Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. R. Craven returned to their home at High Point Monday after spending the holidays in our community.
Mrs. Isham Jones, who has been ill for a few weeks, is improving.
Messrs. J. W. Tippett and Pete Allred have scrapped business houses on R. E. Avenue. Mr. Allred now owns the Fox building where he will run a first class shoe shop, and Mr. Tippett the Allred building which is much larger than his former one and will continue in the grocery business on an enlarged scale.
Mr. Sidney Mader, of Thomasville, visited relatives in the city Saturday and Sunday.
There will be prayer meeting at the M. E. church every Wednesday night. Everybody is invited.
The first quarterly conference of the M. E. church of Ramseur and Franklinville charge will be held at Ramseur Monday night January 11. So just look out for the stewards with your fat pocket book and be good and see what a nice pile of money you can turn over to Wood.

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Ramseur Locals.
The holidays are over and the visitors have returned home. Among those visiting were: Miss Bertha Melton and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Scott, High Point. Miss Judith Ross and Messrs. A. R. and E. F. Chisholm, of Sanford. Mrs. A. G. Burgess and children and Miss Agnes McLead, of Greensboro. Miss Julia Wood, of Randleman. Mr. E. E. Maynard, of Hamlet. Messrs. M. H. and O. F. York, of Johnson City, Tenn. Miss Maggie Bowden, of Greensboro. J. R. Whitehead, of Thomasville. Mr. and Mrs. Preston Covington, of Red Springs and Miss Eugenia Harris, of Greensboro.
The entertainments at the Methodist and Baptist churches Christmas eve were good and were greatly enjoyed by the older people as well as the young.
We notice several of the Franklinville boys in our town every Sunday night. Wonder what they are after? Oh, well it doesn't matter, only we don't want the "Panther" to get you.
Hon. Wm. C. Hammer and Prof. J. M. Way, of Asheboro, were in town last week.
Prof. and Mrs. Jno. T. Cobb spent the holidays with friends at Elon College.
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. A. Moffitt and children visited in Liberty last week.
Mr. O. T. Leonard will leave this week for Grand Rapids, Mich., to attend the "Furniture exhibition." He will go by way of Chicago, spending a day or two in the city and return via Niagara Falls. He will be gone about a week.
We were glad to see the Mt. Gilead correspondent in town Xmas and looked like he had been fed well. There must be 'possum down his way.
Miss Bertha Burgess, of Burlington and Mr. Herbert Burgess, of High Point, spent Xmas with their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burgess.
Mrs. F. L. Frogdon and family spent the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Steven Willet, of Chatham county.
A. H. Thomas left Monday morning for an extended trip in the interest of the Ramseur Broom Works.
Mrs. Francis Elliott is visiting her daughter, Curtis in Greensboro.
Rev. M. E. Hammer filled his appointment here Sunday morning. Messrs. Raleigh Cagle and W. W. Beady were ordained deacons and the Lord's Supper was administered. There was no service Sunday night.
Mr. L. E. Teague, of Chapel Hill, spent Christmas with his aunt, Mrs. L. A. Pierce.
Miss Flora York, of Staley, visited Mrs. H. B. Carter during the holidays.
Mr. Foyl Henley, of Concord, was in town Xmas and a certain young lady was all smiles.
Mr. John Thomas and daughter Mollie, of Reeves Chapel visited Mr. Nat Thomas last week.
Miss Sallie Thomas and Mr. M. E. Johnson made a flying visit to Randleman last week.
Wishing the editor and subscribers a prosperous and happy new year.

Milboro Items.
The factory branch road has put on a new dress in way of an extra passenger coach and we learn we will have another train on the road in the near future.
Mr. John Glass is teaching at Grays' Chapel with success and has a fair attendance but we are sorry to see some parents neglect to send their children. This should not be so.
A decided improvement under the Watta law was noticeable in our community during holidays but were little dim ring, no fighting and no one hurt.
Miss Virgie Lineberry is visiting her brother Charlie Lineberry at Winston.
David Nixon is ahead on large porkers in this community; his largest weighing 450 lbs.
Jerry Evans has moved to the residence of the late Hiram Nelson.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pugh and his mother, Kieiah Pugh took dinner with W. S. Lineberry's family Xmas. Mrs. Pugh is the wife of the late Jesse Pugh and sister of the late Wm. A. Lineberry and the only survivor of that family living in this country. She is 82 years old, is the mother of six living children. There are 34 grand children and 39 great grand children and can walk a mile as quick as a girl.
Dove Vickery and Jim Lineberry took in the minstrel at Rainsboro Saturday night after Xmas. They say Ramseur has lots of pretty girls. I guess they will want to go again.

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