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MERRY, MERRY, CHRISTMAS!

Holiday Goods and Where to Buy Them.

The Entertaining Business Men of Goldsboro who Advertise.

One more rising of the sun and Christmas is here—the happiest day of the year. It is not necessary to go to the calendar to find this out, for it is written even more plainly in the faces of the hurrying, earnest crowds on the streets, and in the stores, and in the wondrous displays made in the shops themselves, than in the calendar.

The season of buying the gifts, rich or poor, which are to make happy the giver and receiver both, has begun earlier than usual. Never before were the shopkeepers earlier or better prepared for the season. A shop is no longer a shop but a bazaar, gathering into itself the treasures of many lands, in which the products of art and science are jostled together, not in needless confusion, but in the most tempting and attractive order. The handier and the genius of all people are so plentifully represented in the storehouses of our merchants as to render it wholly unnecessary for the searcher after things useful and ornamental to look elsewhere. No one need go or send abroad after them, for they have come to us—treasures of art in metals, woods, clay, lacquers, silk, woolen and cotton stuffs. All these things are to be seen and bought. The markets have been ransacked to obtain the best and most beautiful things which art and science could produce. Indeed, anything that the eager seeker after Christmas gifts desires can be had in this city in the greatest variety, and at prices not too high. Never before have our dealers provided so intelligently and so generously to meet the demands of the public. Nothing has been left out of their immense and varied stocks, and from now until Christmas day the buyers and sellers of gifts will be busy. If any of our readers want to know how they may save time and labor and money by being directed to the stores of the most liberally provided and most reliable merchants they need but consult the advertising columns of the MESSENGER. At present it is as good a directory as any one needs to direct gift buyers to the stores and things they most want to find. There are so many places at which articles particularly appropriate for gifts are to be had that it is difficult to say where to begin. However, let us start with our neighbors; the

MESSRS. H. WEIL & BROS.

They are our largest patrons, and it is due them that we enumerate them first in our travels over town, among the MESSENGER advertisers.

Messrs. Weil's spacious establishments are indeed headquarters for all sorts of merchandise, both at wholesale and retail. There is no need to tell the people of the richness of this excellent house. Everybody knows this, and they are as public spirited as they are clever and enterprising.

They offer a magnificent stock of goods and it is one that should not be overlooked by ladies or gentlemen, especially at this season when Christmas goods of a substantial and useful kind are so much in demand. At Messrs. H. Weil & Bros. you can find almost anything that is useful. They carry one of the largest stocks in the State and they sell for cash at prices that defy competition in first-class goods. A nice dress, a beautiful cloak, a handsome carpet, or a few bolts of domestic would make acceptable Christmas presents for your wife or daughter. They have also a large stock of clothing, boots, shoes, hats, etc. Visit their stores and inspect well their several departments. Their reputation as reliable dealers extends far and wide.

M. E. CASTEX & CO.

We turn to the left from our office and halt at Messrs. M. E. Castex & Co. Here you find a regular holiday bazaar—an abundance of choice goods for the holidays, and a courteous and clever set of proprietors to wait on you. Do you want a new bonnet for your wife or daughter? a new dress, or a new carpet? M. E. Castex & Co. can supply you. They have also on display the most beautiful holiday goods offered in Goldsboro. An almost bewildering catalogue is presented—beautiful wares in china, majolica, crystal and silver, dolls by the million, Japanese trays, vases, cabinets, handkerchiefs and glove boxes, toys in tin, guns, whistles, articles in celluloid and shell, etc., etc. And then for the ball, opera and wedding season, a full line of fans in white embroidered silk, plain satin, feathers, black satin, and red Russian morocco is presented. Hundreds of things in the line of fancy goods are shown—lace ties, barbes, gilets, Spanish point scarfs, fichus, French collars and cuffs, tidies, mats, handkerchiefs—embroidered, silk, hem stitched, initial, &c., gloves of all kinds—kid, cashmere, silk, embroidered, &c., &c., and millions of other useful and ornamental articles in every department of the establishment.

SOL. EINSTEIN & CO.

When we mention the name of Einstein, we mention one of the oldest and most reliable in this city—a house that has withstood the changes and vicissitudes of time since long anterior to the present generation, whose reputation brightens with each year of its age, and whose popularity and usefulness are ever increasing. Firms spring into life, flourish and disappear, but the house of Einstein's seems destined to stand firm, running its foundations deeper and ever spreading its branches broader, until all shall know it from the least to the greatest. The great underlying principle of this house is to dispense to the great public who are its patrons, goods that are worth the money asked for them, and at the same time to keep abreast of the times in the ever changing styles and fashions. The individual who purchases from this house once will

do so again and again. He gets what he wants, and at prices that satisfy him. Their stock of dry goods and clothing this year is up to their highest standard, in point of quality and variety. Don't fail to give them a call before you purchase elsewhere.

C. G. PERKINS.

It seems almost a waste of time to call attention to this old and well-known merchant, when we write about dry goods, fancy goods and millinery. Mr. Perkins has been catering to the citizens of Goldsboro and the surrounding country unceasingly during the past eighteen or twenty years. He is ever attentive to the wants of his patrons; keeps a full line of dry goods, clothing, notions, groceries, etc. His millinery bazaar, presided over by a trio of handsome and popular ladies, offers inducements to all in need of anything in that line. We commend Mr. Perkins to all who are in need of anything in his line as deserving of a most generous patronage.

M. SUMMERFIELD & CO.

Listen while we give you a few words of friendly but timely advice. By no means one of the least dry goods houses in Goldsboro is that of M. Summerfield & Co. They keep a complete assortment of dress goods, fancy goods, clothing, shoes, notions, etc. They offer bargains in cloaks, also, and other things too numerous to mention. So it will be well to give M. Summerfield & Co. a call.

L. B. FONVILLE.

Good cheer! Ah yes, the very name of L. B. Fonville is suggestive of good cheer and generous living. Mr. Fonville has recently received the Keaton corner store where may be found all the main requisites for home enjoyments, delicacies to tempt and satisfy the appetite, refreshments that console the inner man, and all the comforts that a well-filled larder affords. Go to Fonville's then, fill your baskets and make preparations for a happy and orderly observance of the Christmas tide to the very best advantage.

JOSEPH EDWARDS.

whose store, we venture to say, will be visited by hundreds of purchasers between now and Christmas day, has a large and attractive stock of dry goods, clothing, shoes, dress goods, dry goods, hats, trunks, furniture, etc. Mr. Edwards glories in the title as "the champion of low prices," and with a full stock and disposition to sell, it is no wonder that his patrons are many.

D. L. FARRIOR.

This clever gentleman does a quiet but profitable business on the corner of West Centre and Chestnut streets. His patrons and the public generally have full confidence in him as a merchant and clever dealer and a long and large experience and thorough knowledge of the trade has given him advantages in buying his goods which his patrons receive to their benefit. If you are in search of a dress, domestics for family use, or a suit of clothing for yourself, be sure and don't give D. L. Farrior the go-by. If you do you will regret it.

FUCHTLER & KERN.

The Messrs. Fuchtlér & Kern, besides a full line of handsome furniture, window shades and carpets, are once more headquarters for good old Santa Claus. Their fancy goods bazaar is a big success. The store is literally crowded with customers from morning till night, and Old Santa is fibert and remembering old and young from their well stocked establishment. Go early and make your selections.

MRS. E. W. MOORE.

We would speak a word to the ladies and sweet young misses of the community, who may wish a new bonnet or some beautiful article of goods in the millinery line, but hardly suppose we would be telling them any thing new in referring them to the millinery establishment presided over by that energetic and well deserving lady, Mrs. E. W. Moore. Go and give her a liberal share of your patronage and add your little mite in making her Christmas merry and happy.

WHITAKER'S BOOK STORE.

One of the best places in Goldsboro to find Christmas presents is Whitaker's Book Store. Mr. Whitaker offers a superb stock of holiday goods, splendid books for old and young, and an endless variety of beautiful souvenirs suitable for gifts. Perhaps you are literary, or have a literary friend whom you wish to remember. Authors of every calibre are represented at Whitaker's. You can buy the English classics in holiday garb, you can select for your friend a gem of literature beautifully illustrated and appropriate to the season—poetry, biography, history, fiction, can all be found here, and you must needs be a terrible critic if you cannot chance upon some book of acceptable literature. And there are other things of such beauty that he who has a keen appreciation of art will find his heart going out to many of the pretty things which adorn the walls of his establishment. Last, but not least, are the exquisite cards which are shown in boundless profusion here, which range from grave to gay, from serious to sublime, many of which are elegant enough for a duchess, and none of which are not worthy of the day we celebrate.

KIRBY & ROBINSON.

The drug establishment of Drs. Kirby & Robinson, located in the "Messenger Building," is not only the oldest in this city, but there also the finest and freshest drugs are dispensed by the most competent of drug clerks. They, too, have caught the "rage," among the first, of providing some handsome articles for the joyous holidays. Among them will be found elegant toilet sets in plush, velvets, satin and pearl, ladies' work boxes, satchels and purses, card cases, card comb and brush cases, satchels, card cases, portmonies, &c. Special taste cases, and specialties in the selection, and the designs and qualities are unparalleled. They also have a fine collection of books and fancy stationery,

suitable for holiday gifts. Don't fail to inspect their stock. Mr. Thos. R. Robinson, has immediate charge of the establishment, and he is as courteous as he is genial and clever. One of the specialties of this firm is their prescription department, which is one of the most conveniently arranged in the South, and they guarantee that they use only the freshest drugs in preparing medicines. They have built up a large trade, and they are one of the most progressive firms in our State. A prosperous New Year to them.

GRiffin BROTHERS.

This prosperous establishment is one of the best of the city. Go when you will and you will find the enterprising Griffin Brothers and their accommodating clerks busy; but never so busy but that they can find, and cheerfully take time, to wait upon you. Their cigar and tobacco department is stocked with everything that is standard goods, and there is nothing nicer or more suitable for Christmas presents to a gentleman than a pack of cigarettes or a supply of excellent tobacco. They keep also a full stock of confectioneries. The display of goods there is immense—most of them freshly received. There are all the choicest varieties of fruits, all kinds of nuts, raisins, citron, French and American candies of every flavor and of delicious quality. The Messrs. Griffin's have selected their stock for this season with peculiar care, and they will receive the best of everything in their line. It is almost needless to say that any and every article in the confectionery line can be had at their store, and the public are invited to call and see for themselves.

ROYAL & BORDEN.

This clever and wide-awake firm solicits a liberal share of the furniture trade. They carry a very select and complete stock of offer special inducements to purchasers in search of substantial and useful holiday gifts. It will cost you nothing to go and examine their goods and ascertain their prices. Politeness is the rule in every department, and they will show you anything you want to see. They have a beautiful line of willow chairs and other novelties. Our friends in country and city, who may need anything in their line, cannot do better than to select from their stock.

H. M. STROUSE.

Mr. Morris Strouse occupies the spacious corner store in the Odd-Fellow's building. Everything in the dry goods line is kept there, and sold at the lowest possible prices. Mr. Strouse is a clever merchant and an experienced buyer and his stock has been carefully selected especially to suit this market. Give him a call and you will find something to suit you at low prices. His motto is, "Quick sales and small profits."

ASHER EDWARDS.

On the corner of Mulberry and East-centre streets you will find Asher Edwards' spacious store, tastefully arranged and shelves and counters heavily loaded with all sorts of merchandise. Be sure and call there. Mr. Edwards buys for cash and sells at very low prices. He has a large and attractive stock of dry goods, clothing, shoes, and all sorts of general merchandise.

SMITH & YELVERTON.

This is what might be called a doubly well known establishment, enjoying the benefit of two reputations—the hardware houses of W. H. Smith and W. T. Yelverton having been consolidated. The activity and bustle here speaks very pleasantly a volume to the effect that there is life in the consolidated firms. The proprietors are busy, their clerks are busy, their customers are busy, and well, everybody is busy. Messrs. Smith & Yelverton keep a full and complete stock of hardware, stoves, kitchen furniture and cutlery. While you are casting about for Christmas presents don't fail to drop in at Smith & Yelverton's.

HUGGINS & FREEMAN.

And here we find another excellent and wide-awake hardware house. Messrs. Huggins & Freeman are courteous and accommodating—business men every inch of them. Their spacious store is filled with everything usually looked for in a first-class hardware establishment. In fact here you find everything that goes to make up a complete stock of the best goods in that line. Christmas presents of a substantial and useful character are most acceptable, and we know of nothing better than a nice new cook stove for your wife, a handsome new set of table cutlery or a new outfit of kitchen ware. You can find all these at Huggins & Freeman. They also keep all sorts of building material, agricultural implements, paints, etc., at lowest prices. Give them a call and examine their stock.

JOHN MURPHY & SON.

Messrs. John Murphy & Son conduct a well regulated bakery and candy factory. They are dealers in confectioneries, fruits, nuts, cakes, fire-works, and such articles as are generally in great demand during the holiday season. We must leave our Christmas cake, our nuts, and our confectioneries, fruits, etc. They are essential to the season. Mr. Chas. L. Murphy presides over the establishment and he is clever and accommodating.

B. M. PRIVETT & CO.

This house has become one of the institutions of this city. They buy your cotton, and as wholesale grocers they offer to the trade a very full select stock, embracing every article of goods to be found in their line and at the lowest market rates. The inducements they make are of such quality of stock and in low prices, are sufficient assurance of as favorable terms in all respects as can be obtained from the markets of the north. They sell all the standard brands of flour, all grades of coffee and tea; all kinds of sugars and syrups; meats and fish; smoked and pickled beef;

best factory cheese—everything indeed at wholesale that can be sold by retail in the smaller stores. We commend this house to the trade generally as one of the highest standing and reliability.

J. C. EASON.

Maj. J. C. Eason's stock of goods is to be found in Giddens' jewelry store. The Major is not given to brag, hence he has carried his business in a quiet and orderly manner. Nevertheless, if you are in search of anything in the way of dry goods, dress goods, shoes, clothing, or family groceries, there is no better house for you to go to. He will treat you cleverly and you may be sure that you will get sixteen ounces to the pound and thirty-six inches to the yard.

MAT. L. LEE & CO.

This enterprising firm of wholesale and retail grocers are pushing ahead with the vim and energy which has characterized their business in a quiet and orderly manner. Mr. Mat Lee is the managing member of the firm and a more genial, clever business man is not often met with. Messrs. Lee & Co. have laid in a large stock of choice family groceries and supplies, and their stock is all fresh and guaranteed to be of the best. They will give you your money's worth every time.

LOUIS D. GIDDENS.

Mr. Giddens is the oldest established jeweler in Goldsboro. He carries a very select stock of all goods in his line, and he will receive the best of everything in their line. It is almost needless to say that any and every article in the jewelry line can be had at their store, and the public are invited to call and see for themselves.

ROGDELL & BARNES.

Messrs. Rogdell & Barnes have a well appointed bakery, candy and cracker factory in our midst. Dr. Cogdell is one of Goldsboro's earliest and esteemed inhabitants. He has seen the "cross roads" of forty years ago, transformed into a town, and the town into a city. His partner, Walter A. Barnes, Esq., is a practical baker and confectioner, and one of the cleverest men in the city. A wonder it is that the girls will let Walter remain in "single cussedness" all these years, but there is hope yet. At Rogdell & Barnes you will find delicious cakes for the holidays, candies, nuts, currants, raisins, figs and confectioneries generally, all of which go to make Christmas merry.

EDGERTON, FINLAYSON & CO.

They are one of the largest firms in the grocery trade. Their stock embraces a full line of everything in the grocery line. The firm is prepared to fill any order for any and every article in which they deal, by the single package or car load, and are always prompt in dealing with their patrons. They are substantial, wide awake business men, who have done much for Goldsboro, and deserve a continuance of the generous patronage they have hitherto enjoyed. If the reader desires to replenish his stock of groceries, he might go further and fare worse than making an early call on Edgerton, Finlayson & Co.

DR. R. A. SMITH.

Dr. Smith is not only a well informed physician, but he pays likewise strict attention to his drug business. His drugs and medicines are noted for their purity and the care with which they are compounded. Dr. Smith's drug store is on Walnut street where he will always be glad to wait upon all who favor him with their patronage.

SPEIGHT SAULS.

This reliable and popular merchant is located in the old stand of Fonville & Sons, and has been a favorite in his line of business for many years. This is the place where table delicacies are to be found in all their purity, freshness and fragrance. Mr. Sauls knows exactly what people need and want for the holiday season, and he has prepared for it. We need not specify. There is no use trying to squeeze a *multum* into a *pauca*, but we can say, without doing other strict injustice, that if the things you want are there, there is no place like Speight Sauls. He keeps a full line of everything to please and tempt the palate.

R. E. PIPKIN.

The enterprising Bob Pipkin does a flourishing grocery business on Walnut street. He has been before the public many years, and maintains the splendid business record he has made since he first opened trade in Goldsboro. Mr. Pipkin has generally increased his patronage and is now numbered among the most popular and prominent grocery merchants. In your search for Christmas supplies and delicacies, don't fail to give Mr. Pipkin a call.

HOOD, BRITT & HALL.

The good is often held back to the last, and perhaps this accounts for our having accidentally overlooked the clever trio of Hood, Britt & Hall. This excellent firm carries a full stock of general merchandise, embracing everything suitable for holiday use and gifts. They do a quiet, straightforward business, hence their patronage is constantly increasing, and deservedly so. We heartily commend Messrs. Hood, Britt & Hall to the kind consideration of the public, and promise all satisfaction who deal with them.

TRUSTEY LEE & CO.

This trustworthy and popular firm does an extensive wholesale grocery business. Mr. Henry Lee has the entire supervision of the establishment and he understands the grocery trade thoroughly. His popularity is proverbial and this, together with the fact that the house deals fair, square and honest with all, has won the firm a patronage that is not easily persuaded away from them. Long may Henry Lee & Co. prosper.

BEST & THOMPSON.

Messrs. Best & Thompson do a safe but profitable business on Walnut Street. The firm is composed of young men of superior business capacity, energy and caution. They buy cheap and sell on small margin. Their prices are based on the hard times now prevailing, and money can be saved by calling on them. They deal in shoes, but make farm supplies and family groceries a feature.

MILLER & SHANNON.

For fresh drugs, all the leading patent medicines and articles for the toilet drop in at the handsome corner drug store of Messrs. Miller & Shannon. This establishment is one of the newest in the State, and Messrs. Miller & Shannon will treat you clever and well.

JOSEPH E. PETERSON.

Unless the larder be full, and the delicacies of the season are supplied at home, the Christmas tide would not be over satisfactory to many of us. One of the best places in Goldsboro for cheap Christmas goods is that of J. E. Peterson, on Walnut street. He keeps a stock of general merchandise, but makes family supplies a specialty. Mr. Peterson is strictly attentive to his business and you will consult your own interests by visiting his store in your rounds.

FREEMAN, HOLMES & CO.

This firm does an exclusive grocery business, and they keep the best and freshest goods at lowest prices. Mr. A. B. Freeman gives the store his constant attention and he is possessed of a thorough knowledge of the grocery trade. Drop in at Freeman, Holmes & Co. in your journey and see the many good things to be found there.

RICH. A. WATTS.

Watts' jewelry bazaar is this week a popular resort. Mr. Watts' stock is so extensive and varied that the most fastidious customer cannot fail to find something he wants. He has a full line of watches, clocks, jewelry and fancy articles. His stock must be seen to be appreciated. Mr. Watts does all descriptions of repairing very promptly and in the best manner, and has Mr. Will P. Granger to help him.

P. C. HUMPHREY & CO.

And while you make merry Christmas for yourself, don't forget the poor dumb animals on your premises. Messrs. P. C. Humphrey & Co. keep feed and grain of all sorts, and they are energetic and wide-awake.

JOSEPH ISAACS.

Mr. Joseph Isaacs keeps all the delicacies, imported and domestic, in the grocery line, and he will sell you cheap for the cash. Give him a call.

THE GOLDSBORO MUSIC HOUSE.

Our Christmas notices would be incomplete if we failed to notice our music establishments. The Goldsboro Music House, presided over by Mr. A. M. Hanff, is extensively advertised in this paper. The establishment forms a branch of the extensive southern music house of Ludden & Bates, of Savannah, Ga., and they keep in stock a full line of pianos and organs of some of the best manufacturers. There is nothing more appropriate for a Christmas present for your wife or daughter than a handsome piano or organ, and the installment plan places such gift within the reach of the humblest.

THE CAROLINA MUSIC HOUSE.

This establishment has a State reputation. It is located in the Opera House building, and Messrs. Henry Miller & Co. are its present proprietors. They carry a stock of handsome pianos and organs and a full line of sheet music. As it is better to give than to receive, we advise those able to do so, to make somebody happy by calling at this house and leaving their order for a piano or organ. They sell for cash or on the installment plan.

A. WILLIAMSON.

Mr. A. Williamson has an extensive hardware establishment on Walnut street. He also deals in buggies and carriages. Should you at any time need anything in his line be sure to give him a call.

THE RACKET STORE.

kept by Mrs. Lyons, has revolutionized prices, and there is a rush of customers. Read the new advertisement.

SPIERS' GROCERY.

This establishment is presided over by Mrs. S. Spier, a most estimable lady. They make fancy groceries a specialty and just here is the place you want to visit for your holiday supplies.

AND LAST,

THE MESSENGER JOB PRINTING HOUSE is prepared to do printing for all at lowest prices, and with neatness and dispatch. Having concluded all our rounds, we wind up with the simple announcement that Christmas presents may be left at either this sanctum or at "the editor's home" during seasonable hours.

If the Sufferers from Consumption, Scrofula, and General Debility, will try Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hyp Phosphites, they will find immediate relief and a permanent benefit. Dr. B. H. BRODINAX, B'odaux, La. says: "I gave Scott's Emulsion to Mrs. C. I gave it to a very severe Bronchitis and subsequent illness, she was in a very bad condition. I ordered Scott's Emulsion, which she commencing taking, giving it at the same time as the baby, which was very poor (weight three and one-half pounds). Since taking the Emulsion, cough is gone, looks fresh, full in the face, and in fine condition." Fat and in fine condition.

About 40,000 barrels of coal oil are consumed daily on this earth.

We are set nished at parties who introduce new remedies for coughs when they should know the people will have Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

"Kings are like sars, they ride and set." They have headache, cure, and hurt the weaker men, and are just as sure to call for Salvation Oil.

A MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR.
A Strange Story of a Deaf Mute and a Missing Lady.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 20.—This city is in a state of highest excitement over an occurrence which took place Friday last, and the subsequent movements of the parties concerned and the details of the affair are as follows: Thursday afternoon last, Walter L. Bingham, son of the late Colonel Wm. Bingham, of Orange county, and a former deaf and dumb pupil at the Institution for Deaf and Dumb and Blind, called at the office of the Register of Deeds here and inquired as to what time the office would be opened next morning. Next morning he called and secured a marriage license for himself and Miss Lizzie Tarlington, of Wilmington, who is a matron for the deaf mutes at the institution above mentioned, giving his age as 23 years old, and that of the lady as the same age. After procuring the license on Friday morning, about 10 o'clock, Bingham and Miss Tarlington left the asylum on foot, and afterward he procured a horse and buggy. They left the city together going in the direction of Durham. The marriage ceremony was performed in this city prior to the conveyance, and as it has been ascertained, and the terms of license do not allow of their being married outside of the county. The parties were last seen together in the buggy eight miles from Durham. About five miles from Durham he was seen in the buggy alone. The point at which he was last seen in company with the lady is very lonely and desolate, abounding with thick undergrowth. At Durham Bingham left the buggy at a stable near the outskirts of the town and took the train for Greensboro. On his arrival at Greensboro, he made strict inquiries in regard to connections for Atlanta, New Orleans and other Southern points. There was no reason for the course taken by the parties as they were both of legal age and no impediment seemed to exist against their union. Suspicion was quickly excited, and even yesterday the belief was that Bingham who is of violent temper, had murdered the girl and hidden her body. He had \$700 in money and a knife and revolver when he left here. The authorities of the deaf, dumb and blind institution and also of this city, aided by the people of Durham, have searched continuously since Saturday night for the girl, but without avail. At 6 o'clock this evening the Chief of Police telegraphed that he had found that both Bingham and the girl were seen at Mooresville, this county, but that a mile beyond there Bingham was seen in the buggy alone. It was thought until this afternoon that Bingham had gone South, though no news of him could be had by telegraph. News was received from New York, which occasioned an immense sensation. Dr. Isaac Peet, principal of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution at Carmanville, N. Y., where Bingham had completed his education, telegraphed that Bingham was here yesterday insane, and threatened to kill a man named Goodwin at Council Bluffs, Iowa. After making these threats Bingham disappeared and his whereabouts were unknown to Doctor Peet. Goodwin, who is referred to, is E. McK. Goodwin, formerly principle of Kinston Graded School and later teacher in a Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute here, but who last Summer went to Council Bluffs to become a teacher in a similar institution there. He was thought by Bingham to be in love with Miss Tarlington and he accepted suitor. Hence his desire to slay him. Telegrams of warning were promptly sent Goodwin by his family, who live in this county. F. A. O.

MOUNT OLIVE LOCALS.

Gathered By Our Regular Reporter.

Will somebody please tell us where the town of "Eurus" is?

Dr. L. W. Faison cut a lead ball out of Mr. T. R. Lee's body one day last week, which he had been carrying ever since the last war. The ball entered the left shoulder and passed down through the lungs. The patient is doing well.

In the fair and festival given last Friday night by the ladies of the Presbyterian church was a very pleasant entertainment and proved quite a success financially. Net receipts, \$30.00.

John Smith, Jr., came to Mt. Olive on a visit one day last week. Give us your hand John, Sr., and let us congratulate "papa."

The Mt. Olive Cotton Exchange bought last week Mr. R. J. Southern's large lot of cotton—350 bales—and were as busy as bees sampling, weighing and shipping. By the way the Exchange had their picture taken a few days since, and there was such a concentration of skill, judgment and manly beauty that the photographer was greatly concerned for the safety of his tent, but after a careful examination he reports that it was not materially injured. The Exchange will close on the evening of the 23d and remain so until the New Year as Capt. Hallett, the manager, intends eating his Christmas dinner with his old friends in Wilmington. We appreciate having had the Captain with us this Fall, he having paid out \$90.00 for cotton and Rice during the season. A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to him.

Little Miss Mary Smith had her feet right badly burned one day last week by a kettle of hot water being accidentally turned over on them.

Miss Lou McGee is quite sick we are sorry to learn.

Mrs. Solomon Moffitt, of Randolph county, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Smith.

Your printer made an error last week in our remedy for chaps. It should have been 2 ounce gum cam-

phor, 2 ounces alcohol and 2 ounces glycerine.

The Methodists have placed two very pretty chandeliers in their church recently.

Rev. P. L. Groome left last week and his family will follow this week. We suppose they will locate either in Raleigh or Greensboro, Mr. G. having been appointed general agent on colportage by the last conference. We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our new pastor, Rev. J. T. Abernethy.

We are very sorry to learn that the Rev. H. H. Gibbons is critically ill at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. S. Westbrook near Faison.

The candy man and picture taker moved into town two weeks ago and on last Sunday as they were about getting ready to leave. The photographer open his tent for business after having been told by our Mayor that he would not be allowed to take pictures on the Sabbath. He was promptly arrested and fined \$5.00 for the offence. The Methodist and Presbyterian Sabbath Schools will not have any Christmas entertainment this year. The Baptists will have a Santa Claus House Christmas night. Mr. J. F. Oliver, one of our merchants, failed on the 20th inst. We sympathize with him.

We wish to say to our friends that when they have any items for the MESSENGER they will please hand them in to us on Mondays.

THE INDUSTRIAL SOUTH.
Rapid Increase in Wealth and New Industries.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—The Baltimore *Manufacturers' Record* for December 18th, under the head of the gigantic industrial developments in the South during the last two weeks, will say "that never before, probably, in the history of this country has there been such an era of industrial development as we now see in the South."

A summary of the reports received by the *Record* from all parts of the South is as follows:

In Alabama there has been reported the Enslay Land Co., capital stock \$1,000,000, to build a manufacturing town near Birmingham, establish water and electric light works and manufacture iron and steel. Four other companies, with capital ranging from \$150,000 to \$800,000, have been organized at Birmingham for similar works. A \$3,000,000 company, organized at Florence, has arranged to build three large furnaces. A \$500,000 company has been organized to purchase and refit an old cotton mill at the same place. At Birmingham there has been organized a \$100,000 axe and tool company, and a new rolling mill is to be built. At Sheffield a \$100,000 axe pipe and nail mill, and an additional furnace and electric light and gas works. A Memphis company has been organized to build furnaces and mine coal near Jasper. An old furnace at Round Mountain is being put in shape to go in blast again. An ice factory at Montgomery, carriage factory at Meridian; \$300,000 electric light company and a \$50,000 water works company at Florence.

Arkansas reports two smelters, two \$3,000,000 mining companies and one of \$5,000,000.

In Florida a \$25,000 furniture factory, electric light works and a number of lumber mills.

Georgia \$50,000 fertilizer company to build factories at nine or ten points, a \$50,000 glass factory, \$50,000 glass factory, \$50,000 iron and machine company, plow factory and other enterprises.

In Kentucky we have a \$500,000 coal and iron company, a \$1,000,000 lumber and mineral land development company, a \$30,000 carpet company.

North Carolina reports a \$50,000 glass tool factory, \$150,000 electric light company and a number of large saw mills.

Tennessee has captured a \$200,000 stove works, a \$50,000 company to manufacture iron and steel, a \$150,000 light and heat company, a \$100,000 marble quarrying company, a \$100,000 electric light company.

Texas has a new flour mill company, a \$50,000 cracker company, a \$100,000 dressed bulb company.

Virginia reports a \$50,000 ear seat company, flour mill, carriage factory, etc.

West Virginia has a \$300,000 oil and gas company, \$50,000 electric light company and several other new coal mining companies.

THE FREEDMAN'S BANK.
Report of the Controller of the Currency.

The Speaker laid before the House Thursday report from the controller of the currency, *ex-officio* commissioner of the Freedman's Savings and Trust company, on the affairs of that institution. The report shows that on December 4th there was a balance on hand of \$7,719.

The controller makes a strong plea in favor of the assumption by the government of the liabilities of the institution to its depositors. He quotes at length the reports of his predecessors on the subject and says: "More than 15,000 depositors had to their credit at the time of the failure of the bank only \$5 or less each, and it may be necessary that these should be suit out and paid with as little cost to them as possible; while thousands of others have still at their credit amounts so small as to be entitled to a like share of consideration."

He says it would seem proper to allow at least three years for the presentation and auditing of these claims, and suggest January 1st, 1890, as a term of final liquidation. He is inclined to think that the estimate of his immediate predecessor, that \$100,000 would be sufficient to settle all demands likely to be proved, is correct.