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NOTICE.

The annual meetings of the stockholders of the Raleigh National Bank of North Carolina and of the National Bank of Raleigh will be held at their banking house in Raleigh, N. C., on Tuesday, January 10th, 1888, at 10 a. m. and 1 p. m respectively.

CHAS. H. BELVIN, Cashier

CAPITOL NOTES.

DEATH SENTENCES ORDERED EXECUTED BY THE GOVERNOR—PARDON GRANTED—LARGE INCREASE IN TAXABLE PROPERTY—SETTLEMENTS BY SHERIFFS.

Yesterday Governor Scales ordered that the sentences of death now hanging over James Thomas in Henderson county, and Lucien Rowe in Durham county be executed on the 6th of March next.

The order was made under an act of the legislature of 1887, authorizing the Governor to set a time for the execution of sentences in cases of capital punishment when such cases are carried by appeal to the Supreme Court and are confirmed.

James Thomas was tried for and convicted of the murder of Joseph Barnett in Henderson county, at the fall term of the Superior Court, 1887. During the trial it was found that he had formerly been tried for murder in Alabama and had fled that State. In the Barnett case he made a desperate effort to make out a case of manslaughter, but a verdict of murder was rendered against him and he was sentenced to be hanged. He appealed to the Supreme Court which tribunal confirmed the sentence of the court below and the Governor forthwith ordered and set the time for the execution of the sentences.

Lucien Rowe is a colored doctor, who, on the 15th of October 1886, burglarized the house of S. A. Thaxton in Durham and stole therefrom $60.00. He was tried and convicted of burglary and sentenced to be hanged on the 24th inst. He was convicted principally on the evidence of a colored woman named Castleberry, who, after the sentence was pronounced, said that her evidence was untrue. An appeal from the sentence was then taken to the Supreme Court. The court, after considering all facts in the case, came to the conclusion that there was no reason why the sentence should be interfered with, and it was therefore affirmed. The Governor then ordered the execution of the sentence on March 6th.

The Governor has been apprised that petitions for the commutation of the sentences of both parties will be presented to him and has therefor set the time for execution considerably in the future, that there may be ample time for the presentation of the petitions and consideration of the same, and that the time of execution of the prisoners may not be changed if the sentences are not commuted.

The Governor yesterday pardoned Simon Davenport out of the penitentiary. Davenport was convicted in 1879 of the larceny of two bushels of wheat, and sentenced to ten years at hard labor. The pardon was granted on account of his good conduct as a prisoner.

The State Auditor has received statements and abstracts from all counties in the State, showing the respective tax valuation of property in each. As has been before shown, some counties have increased—one showing an increase of $600,000, and some have decreased—one county showing a decrease of $400,000 from 1886. The increase for 1887 in the State at large, however, has been $7,352,154. In 1886 the total tax valuation was $200,924,000, and in 1887, $208,266,154.

The taxes collected on the property valuation of 1887 will be $86,500 less than in 1886, though the taxable property of 1887 is $7,000,000 more than in 1886. This difference is made by the tax for this year being 20 cents on the $100 worth of property, whereas last year it was 25 cents on the $100. Last year the tax on railroad franchises was collected by sheriffs as other State taxes were collected and paid by them to the State Treasurer with other taxes. This tax amounts to about $3,500 and will be paid directly to the Treasurer by the railroads this year. This was included in the total general tax receipts of last year. Not being included this year the decrease is actually $83,000 instead of $86,500.

In the Treasury Department yesterday settlements for State taxes were made with the following sheriffs: E. M. Johnston, of Pender county, $2,548.14; S. L. Yount, of Catawba county, $5,224.21.

Attempt at Suicide.

Julia Potter, a young white woman employed at the cotton factory, attempted to commit suicide yesterday morning by taking laudanum. She had a quarrel with her cousin in the morning, drove her cousin out of the house and threw a hatchet at her. After this Julia bought two bottles of laudanum. She swallowed the contents of the two bottles in the presence of some colored people and announced her determination to kill herself. Last night it was an open question whether she would recover or succumb to the effects of the laudanum.—*Wilmington Star, 7th.*

—The Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain, one of the fisheries commissioners from Great Britain, has taken advantage of the courtesy extended him by the country's legislators, it appears to misbehave. The Washington *Post* says: "Mr. Chamberlaine, who obtained access to the floor of the Senate last Wednesday under the generous rule which accords that privilege to all members of foreign legislative bodies, was the center of a disturbance which seriously interfered with the delivery of Senator Voorhees' tariff speech, and which was disorderly enough to bring into use the gavel with which the presiding officer knocks for order." The noted foreigner will probably, as he should be brought to account for the bad manners he has brought across the ocean. He would, without doubt, have been brought to account before, and with a vengeance, had Mr. Voorhees observed that he was the personage who made the disturbance on the occasion referred to. This country has never been disposed to put up with bad manners from Great Britain.

—The democratic primaries in New Orleans yesterday resulted in the election of 56 Nichols delegates and 18 McEnery delegates.

CARLISLE

ON THE CONTEST OF MR. THOEBE.

HE INDIGNANTLY DENIES ANY IMPROPER CONDUCT BEFORE OR AFTER THE ELECTION—OTHER NEWS BY WIRE.

The following letter was laid before the House committee on elections today:

Hon. C. F. Crisp, Chairman Committee on Elections:

DEAR SIR:—I learn from the proceedings of your committee that an application has been made by counsel for the contestant to re-open the case and allow additional testimony to be taken; and as I have had time only to glance hastily at the affidavits filed in support of this request, I beg leave to suggest that it would be proper not to decide the matter finally until I can have a reasonable opportunity to examine the papers, and if necessary file affidavits. So far as the affidavits charge or intimate any improper conduct upon my part in reference to the election, either before or after it was held, I am ready now to contradict them in the most positive manner by my own affidavit; but there are other things in the papers of which I cannot have personal knowledge, and which, if left unanswered, might produce an erroneous impression upon the minds of the committee. Please present this note to the committee. I will, of course, be entirely satisfied with any course the committee may choose to take, but it seems to me that under the circumstances I ought to have an opportunity to carefully examine the papers and take such steps as may be thought proper before the application now pending is disposed of.

Very respectfully,
J. G. CARLISLE.

Congressional Notes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—Several of the most important committees of the House organized yesterday and today, and some of them expect to be ready to report business for the House on Monday if a call of the committees is made.

The committee on banking and currency appointed a sub committee, consisting of Messrs. Landes, of Illinois; Schneider, of West Virginia, Dingley, of Maine; Weber, of New York, and chairman Wilkins, to which was referred the bill of the Comptroller of the Currency for a re organization of the national banking system.

The committee on Territories adopted a rule providing that hereafter all delegations desiring to appear before the committee shall submit their views and claims in writing and not orally as has been the practice. On Monday a special meeting will be held to hear a delegation headed by Gov. Ross, of New Mexico, which will urge upon Congress some speedy [illegible] of the Spanish and Indian claims in New Mexico.

The Elections Committee of the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The elections committee of the House met at noon today in secret session. Further consideration of the Thoebe Carlisle case was postponed until Saturday next, in order to give Mr. Carlisle an opportunity to reply if he so desires to the affidavits presented yesterday by the contestants. There was no discussion of the proposition submitted by Mr. Sypher yesterday. The attorneys in other contested election cases will be notified to appear before the committee next Friday to set days for hearing arguments in their cases. The session of the committee lasted about an hour.

A Little Railroad Smashup.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 7.—Two passenger trains on the Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis & Chicago road collided near North Bend last night about 8 o'clock. President Ingalls' private car was completely demolished and the president and his assistant were badly bruised but not seriously injured. None of the passengers were injured. The east bound train was pulling in on the siding at North Bend and had nearly cleared the main track when the fast Chicago express, going west, running at a very high rate of speed, suddenly dashed around the curve and crashed into the rear car, tearing it to pieces. Besides President Ingalls and his assistant, there was another occupant of the car, who escaped injury.

Strike of Printers for a Ten Per Cent Increase of Pay.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 7.—A demand for a ten per cent increase in the scale of prices was made by union printers here today to take effect at once in all newspaper and job offices. The "Record" and "News Dealer," the two morning dailies, acceded to the demand, but the "Leader," an afternoon paper, refused to grant the increase. A strike was ordered and all the type setters at the office walked out. The paper came out as usual this evening but was made up of plate matter.

Death of a Well-Known Revenue Inspector.

DETROIT, Jan. 7.—An *Evening Journal* special from Lansing says: Reuben Crawford, for many years chief inspector of the United States revenue department for North Carolina, East Tennessee and northern Georgia, but more recently in charge of a more extensive field, with headquarters at Cincinnati, died in this city today after a brief illness.

Emperor William's Condition Serious.

PARIS, Jan. 7.—It is reported here that the condition of the Emperor of Germany is quite serious. It is said that he is confined to his bed and has had several fainting spells.

A Depository of Public Moneys.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—The National bank of Greenville, S. C., has been designated as a depository of public moneys.

—New York republicans are chafing under Pratt's control.

From Washington.

(For The News and Observer.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.

Carlisle's committee appointments continue to be a topic of speculation and perplexity. Clements, of Georgia, as chairman of the civil service reform committee, attracts particular attention. He is known to be an outspoken and ultra anti-civil service man. He was entitled to the chairmanship by right of seniority and succession. He was second on the committee in the last Congress. But this explanation does not go down very well. There are many who see in this assignment a vigorous anti-civil service policy in the House, in the shape of a bill to repeal the law. This may not be effected, but it will give the anti civil service men an opportunity to expose the incongruities of the present law. A free discussion of its many and conspicuous shortcomings will do no harm.

TO MEET FOR BUSINESS.

Both Houses have adjourned until Monday. The House will meet for business on Monday, Mr. Randall says, and the Senate will meet to discuss the Blair educational bill. It is the "unfinished business" of the Senate and cannot be side-tracked. An early day will see its passage in the Senate. It is asserted that a majority of the House committee is inimical to the bill, and that every parliamentary expedient to defeat it will be resorted to. It will not have an easy time in the House.

NORTH CAROLINA POLITICS.

Ex Senator King, of Guilford, said today that the outlook for the democratic party in the 5th (and pivotal) district of the State was not assuring. There is pronounced discontent, he says, growing out of the administration of the United States Marshal's office. In all the counties of the Western District there is dissatisfaction and complaint. A change in this office, he thinks, is essential to democratic success in the next State election. As goes the fifth district so goes the State, and the "old fifth" will go wrong unless the local discontent that now obtains is removed. Mr. King has been active in his opposition to Marshal Settle and does not disclaim his share of the responsibility in bringing the matter to the attention of the Attorney General. He has acted, he says, from a high sense of duty to the democratic party. He is not content to let the matter rest where it is. What further steps will be taken, he does not intimate.

The party is all at sea, he says, about a candidate for Governor. It is hard to name a very strong man, for, as yet, there is no chrystalization of public sentiment. He is inclined to the opinion that the nomination will be tendered to ex-Gov. Jarvis, and that he will accept it. He does not seek the nomination, but Senator King, from a conversation with him last summer, is strongly of the opinion that he will accept it, with thanks. There are no two opinions about the President and his message. Democrats are unanimous and enthusiastic in their endorsement of both. Senator King is one of the clever Morehead, he says, will make a congressional ticket in the Fifth district next fall, and will redeem the district.

FROM THE REPUBLICAN STANDPOINT.

Your correspondent had a brief talk with Representative Nichols today. He is pleased with his appointment on the labor committee and is anxious to do something to help the laboring man. Questioned about republican politics in the State, he said the action of the Mott and Harris committees means harmony in the party. Chas. A. Cook of Warren, is virtually chairman of the committees. He was acceptable to the two factions, and though not known as such, he is chairman of the State republican central executive committee. The matters in dispute between the two committees will be referred to the State convention and its determination will control the matter.

Between Blaine and Sherman the feeling among republicans in the State is strongly in favor of Blaine. Sherman, he says, is not seriously considered a candidate. He is not at all sure that Blaine will be nominated at Chicago. Harrison, of Indiana, is a strong second choice, in the event the nomination does not go to Blaine. The State convention, he says, will put a strong ticket in the field in the hope that democratic dissension may result in a republican victory. The trouble in the democratic party in the State, he thinks, is its abundance of talent. There are not offices enough to go around. With the republican party it is different, he says.

Mr. Nichols says "we" every time in speaking of the republican party, and he seems to think "we" may win in the State.

EVERYTHING SOLID FOR CLEVELAND.

The North Carolina members return from their holiday recess with the strong conviction that everybody and everything in their districts is solid for Cleveland and his message. No message from the White House, they say, has ever been so universally and thoughtfully read and discussed. One member left Washington with the avowed intention of saying some naughty things (privately) about the President's omission of the internal revenue subject, but the Cleveland tide was too strong. He spoke not a word to his derogation.

NORTH CAROLINA PERSONALS.

Col. James E. Boyd and ex-Senator King, of Greensboro, are here.

Collector Tom Settle, of Rockingham county, is at the Metropolitan.

Mayor King, of Greensboro, and Mrs. Nannie McAdoo were married in Philadelphia, Tuesday. They are expected in Washington from New York, Sunday. Both are popular and well known in Greensboro.

Col. Staples has been reappointed assistant counsel of the R. & D. R. R. under the new administration. The new office of the company has been removed from Richmond to Washington.

—The Mexican mission seems likely to fall to the lot of Gen Bragg, of Wisconsin, who has distinguished himself in Congress. He failed of election this time.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

A MAN KILLS HIS YOUNG DAUGHTER AND THEN HIMSELF.

NO CAUSE FOR THE DEED ASCERTAINED—OTHER NEWS BY WIRE

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 7.—Isaac Merrick this afternoon shot his young daughter dead at their home on Central Avenue and then turned the weapon on himself with fatal effect. No cause has yet been ascertained for the terrible tragedy.

Crop Report.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The estimates of the orange product and value of corn, wheat and oats, for each State and territory has been prepared for publication by the statistician of the department of agriculture. The area of corn harvested, excluding abandoned or worthless acreage is 72,000,000 acres in round numbers; product fourteen hundred and fifty-six million bushels; value six hundred and forty-six million dollars; area of wheat thirty-seven million four hundred thousand acres; product four hundred and fifty-six million bushels; value, three hundred and nine million dollars; area in oats nearly twenty six millions acres; product six hundred and fifty-nine million bushels; value two hundred million dollars. Reports of the winter wheat do not show much decrease of area. In Texas there is a considerable increase, and a slight increase in some other States. The average decline appears to be between one and two per cent. In Kentucky 97; Ohio, 99; Michigan, 98; Indiana, 100; Illinois, 98; Mississippi, 99; Kansas, 98 The condition is affected somewhat by the dryness of the seed-beds in the district that suffered from the drought, delaying seeding, germinating and growth. Later rains has greatly improved the situation. The average condition is 95, ranging in the principal States from 90 to 98. The condition of winter rye coincides very closely with that of winter wheat.

Railroad Accident.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—A special from Thomasville, Ga., says: The north and south-bound freight trains on the Savannah, Florida & Western railroad, between Thomasville and Albany, collided yesterday near Meigs, fifteen miles above this city. Both trains were running thirty miles an hour. The engines and several cars were demolished. Two car loads of horses were burned. All of the trainmen escaped with but slight bruises. The accident was caused by one of the trains.

A Big Fire.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 7.—A fire at Louisa Court House last night resulted in the destruction of twenty-one out of the twenty-four business houses and shops in the town. The new hotel recently erected by R. P. Cammack escaped the flames. The burned district did not embrace the entire town, and not more than a dozen of the families lived in the houses burned.

The Beaufort Fire.

We learn from Mr. William H. Oliver, who has just returned from Beaufort, that the loss by fire was not as much as at first supposed. There were eleven stores burned; a considerable portion of the goods contained in the stores were saved. There was considerable loss by damage. The amount of insurance on the buildings and stocks was $17,100.—*Newbern Journal.*

—A public meeting was held in Philadelphia under the auspices of the National Fishery Association, at which resolutions were adopted declaring that the reported proposals of the British and Canadian Governments for the settlement of the fisheries question imperil the very existence of our fisheries, protesting against any one sided reciprocity with Canada, and calling upon the President to put in operation the powers vested in him by the last Congress.

—"Browning" oranges grown in the West Indies and Mexico so that they'll pass muster as Florida fruit, is the device of an enterprising Yankee. Boston Budget gives the process, which consists of putting the fruit into a large sieve and passing it over a hot fire until the oranges are sufficiently scorched, technically "browned," to give the Florida tinge. It is said the "browned" fruit is mostly shipped North and West.

Hotel Arrivals.

YARBORO—A Abner, Baltimore; Iry W. Duggan, M. L. Duggan, Georgia; Mrs. W. J. Jones, W. J. Jones, Jr., Goldsboro; P. J. McPhillips, New York; Jno. C. Hagan, Boston; E. G. Rawlings, Richmond; N. E. Beall, Richmond; R. H. Villard, Atlanta; M. S. Scruggs, Washington; A. C. Avery, Morganton; F. C. Adams, Baltimore; C. Boggs, Knoxville; Walter H Miles, Richmond; R. W. Clay, Baltimore.

Wonderful Cures.

W. D. Hoyt & Co., Wholesale and Retail Druggists of Rome, Ga., say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery, Electric Bitters and Bucklen's Arnica Salve for four years. Have never handled remedies that sell as well, or give such universal satisfaction. There have been some wonderful cures effected by these medicines in this city. Several cases of pronounced Consumption have been entirely cured by use of a few bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, taken in connection with Electric Bitters. We guarantee them always. Sold by Lee, Johnson & Co.

SINCE his last visit to Raleigh, Prof. Nye has made many improvements in Glasses, as well as in Spectacle frames. Those who desire to protect their eyes from further injury had better call at once at Prof. Nye's office, in the Yarborough House.

Calls made in the city without any extra charge.

MESSENGERS OF HOPE.

Members and Contributions for the Week Ending January 5th, 1888.

Isabella Clark, Middleton, Hyde county, N. C.	$ 33½
Ed Boyden Clark, Middleton, Hyde county, N. C.	33½
Seth G. Clark, Middleton, Hyde county, N. C.	33½
Josie B. Patton, Asheville, N. C.	56
McLeod Patton, Asheville, N. C.	50
James Humbert, Uniontown, Pa., (2d offering)	25
Wm. Shepherd Humbert, Uniontown, Pa. (2d offering.)	25
Jennie Humbert, Uniontown, Pa	50
"In Memoriam M. G. H.," Uniontown, Pa.	4 00
Capie White, Raleigh, N. C.	25
Bessie White, " "	25
Louisa White, " "	25
George White, " "	25
Lou Urquhart, Lewiston, N. C.	1 00
Pattie Urquhart, Lewiston, N. C.	1 00
Mamie Urquhart, Lewiston, N. C.	1 00
Margie Urquhart, Lewiston, N. C.	1 00
Birdie Urquhart, Lewiston, N. C.	1 00
Billie Whitaker, Winston, N. C.	25
Grace Buxton Whitaker, Winston, N. C.	25
"In Memoriam, Mary and Louise," Winston, N. C.	50
Kate Edmondstone Coke, Edenton, N. C.	25
Louise Devereux Coke, Edenton, N. C.	25
George H. Coke, Jr., Edenton, N. C.	25
James and Blount Hoskins, Edenton, N. C.	15
	$14 90
Amount on hand	$24 91
Membership	54

MY DEAR CHILDREN: The first little folks who ran in this week were some Hyde county children, and the letter said: "Enclosed please find $1 for the Atkinson Memorial Cot, and please enroll on your list of 'Messengers of Hope' the names of three new recruits, and so I obediently wrote down Isabella, Ed and Seth Clark as enlisted volunteers, and I shall hope that they are only the advance guard from Hyde, and that very many little feet will turn in our direction and help the cot in its march towards a permanent endowment.

The next letter came from Josie's and McLeod's mother, and she says I may not print any of it but the children's names and contributions, which I think is very cruel, and I would like to know what I would make a letter out of if many such prohibitions were laid. Well I am very glad to have the letter even on these terms, for I well remember our pleasant friendship when we were both little curly headed children, and I would be very glad if we could meet again, for I have a good memory for old friends.

Then my very faithful friend in Uniontown (who hails from the good old State of North Carolina, however) sends this letter for her children: "* * * The boys each send you dollars as a memorial of their father, M. G. M., who departed this life three years ago, leaving eight children. She was confirmed by our dear departed bishop, and I know of no better way of remembering her. * *

There is, in my opinion, dear Madam, no better way of raising monuments to our beloved dead than in giving the same to God's poor or afflicted ones. To endow hospitals or hospital beds, to endow colleges or scholarships, to build churches, school houses and houses for the old, infirm or afflicted is the most enduring and beautiful memorial that we can give to those who sleep in Jesus, and who thus live in countless hearts and lives. Thus our loss is sanctified to us, and what we sow in tears shall be reaped in joy. I saw a monument once that had cost $80,000. It was raised to the memory of a beloved and only child, but the parents were dead; no one cared to keep it up, and the blackened marble and defaced carving spoke eloquently of the uselessness—nay folly, of such memorials—while the money invested in a hospital or college would have been a well-spring of perpetual blessedness and grateful memory of the dead girl Thanks for your sweet letter. Give my love to the boys and Jennie, please.

Some little new Messengers from Raleigh send this letter: "Mama has been telling us about your little "Messengers of Hope," and as we are too young mama is writing for us. We want to become members of your little band, and send you a small contribution for the purpose of being recognized as such. We hope your kind and grand undertaking will be encouraged by all the little boys and girls in our dear old State, and that they may be prompted to help you in their small way to accomplish the object you have in view. Please receive 25c apiece from each of us." Capie is eight years old, Bessie six, Louisa five and George a wee baby of four months. So we think they do very well for such small people. I am very glad to have your help, little ones, and hope all the children in the State will carry out your wish.

The Urquharts got their mamma to write for them, as they were just commencing to go to school again after their Xmas holiday. She says: "I send you the children's new year's greeting and the contributions promised before Christmas. You don't like 'a cheap charity,' you say, so I will add that I think they worked quite faithfully for theirs; they sewed, darned and worked in many ways this busy Christmas time. Lou proposed to keep the chickens out of the flower garden and charge me 1 cent a chicken, which I thought an exorbitant price and told her you would not encourage extortion! One dollar is for her and one for Birdie for being so good about taking his medicine while he was sick. Pattie, Mamie and Margie share the remainder equally." * * * *

Thank you very much for all the good wishes. Tell Lou I cannot encourage extortion, especially when the victim is mamma! Fair prices for fair work is the only honest way of earning pennies, or in short to work out all life's problems by the "Golden Rule," that invaluable solution of all moral arithmetical difficulties! I am quite sure all the money was faithfully earned, and holiday time was beautifully spent when its brief hours were given to love's service for another. Dear little Birdie! I am very glad he got well.

Winston comes next, with such a nice letter:—"I was so pleasantly surprised a few weeks since in reading the NEWS AND OBSERVER to come across one of your letters to the 'Messengers of Hope.'

I felt that I had met an old friend, although you are a stranger to me. I used to enjoy as much as my little ones your very pleasant letters in the Church Messenger, and am delighted that you have taken up the work again. I am sure success awaits you. Your forces from Winston have never been very strong but we intend to help you all we can.

When you first began your work Louise enlisted as one of your little soldiers. She and my baby one, Mary, are now angels around the great white Throne. I have two, Billy and Grace. They are almost too small to work much, but you shall hear from them often. Wishing you every success in your great and noble work, I am very sincerly yours—"

Many thanks, dear madam, for your kind words. I am very glad to have your interest and approval of the work in hand. I remember little Louise as one of my old soldiers, and while I heartily sympathize with your loss in giving up two of your little flock unto the Lord who, oh who that knows life as it comes to most of us can be sorry for those who soon lay down the cross of life to inherit the kingdom of God? I shall be very glad to have many more Winston children to help in the work in which your bonny pair are Forsyth's pioneers.

Then East Carolina falls into line once more, tho' this time with new recruits: "I send you the names and contributions of some new little 'Messengers of Hope.' I am afraid they cannot send in their pennies very often, as the pressure of 'hard times' is upon us, as upon so many others, but I will try to let you hear from them occasionally. I read your letters to them every week, and they are very much interested in 'the cot,' and anxious to do something to help you.

I wanted to send the money last week, but could not find time to write. I do sincerely hope that you may soon realize the desired amount.

The little ones are anxious to join 'Aunt Beckie's' band, and I hope they may not be altogether unworthy."

I never saw a place yet, my dear madam, that was too good for a child, or any work that was not honored by the co-operation of Christ's little ones. I welcome your children very gladly, and am sure that they will show all good fidelity according to their means. The many littles make the great whole, and no thousand could ever be counted that lacked one single cent. It is the pennies that make the pounds. So the hard times will not hundred as it they are being just as instead of quarters. It is the nickles that make a muckle. So I shall be ready for all these small people of yours, and the little Hoskins brothers whenever they can report.

Now for fear the editorial brows will meet in a frown over the length of this letter I must clip my tongue and close.

The first month's work is ended and I report forty-three enlistments and $16.21 as the amount paid in for December. January has opened bravely with eleven enlistments and a little more than a dollar a day in receipts. One mail brought seven dollars and ninety cents, which is a very hopeful start.

Now with all good wishes and much love,

Faithfully yours,
AUNT BECKIE.

All contributions for "The Bishop Atkinson Memorial Cot" in St. John's Hospital, Raleigh, should be sent to Miss Rebecca Cameron care Dr. William Cameron, Hillsboro, North Carolina. (Don't send stamps; they are not available for this work.)

A Doctor's Experience.

After a great many trials of the first physicians in the North and South, I had grown exhausted by the continued experimental efforts of doctors to cure me of Chronic Laryngitis and Bronchitis of a most severe type, I dropped into a drug store, while more dead than alive. Speaking of my condition, a friend advised me try Dr. Mozley's Lemon Hot Drops, which I did, and to my surprise, after taking the first bottle, it gave me complete relief. I then bought three other bottles, which cured my case entirely of eight years' standing. I favor you with this to encourage you to make and supply the great healer to sufferers like myself. Your friend,

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—A conservative was elected to Parliament in Winchester, England, succeeding a member of the same party, with a considerable increase in the majority.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once, it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the children from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant, to taste; soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether rising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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PROSPERITY

AMONG NEW ENGLAND COTTON MILLS.

CAUSES A DEMAND FROM WEAVERS—FOR A RETURN TO THE WAGES OF 1884—OTHER NEWS BY WIRE.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 7.—A remarkably prosperous showing made for the last year by the cotton mills in this city stimulated the weavers to renewed activity in demanding that the 13½ per cent taken from their wages in 1884 be returned to them. It is stated that at a conference of the spinners' and manufacturers' committees held a year ago an agreement was made that when prints reached 3 cents per yard wages would be advanced 7 per cent, and when they reached 3½ the remaining 6½ per cent would be granted. They have now reached the latter figure, and Secretary Howard, of the Spinners' union wrote a letter to Secretary Rounsville, of the board of trade, the early part of this week asking for a fulfilment of the manufacturers' promise. It is understood that no answer has yet been received by Mr. Howard, and today he issued a call for a meeting of the spinners to be held next Tuesday night.

Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, January 7.—The following is the weekly statement of the associated banks: Reserve increase, $2,267,575; loans increase, $3,530,500; specie increase, $496,400; legal tenders increase, $1,158,000; deposits increase, $11,956,100; circulation increase, $12,110. The banks now hold $10,826,745 in excess of the 25 per cent rule.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Bishop Lyman's Appointments—Spring Visitation.

March 25, Palm Sunday—Church of Good Shepherd, Raleigh.
March 25, Palm Sunday, p. m.—Christ Church, Raleigh.
March 27, Tuesday, p. m.—St. Augustine Church, Raleigh.
March 28, Wednesday, p. m.—St. Mary's, Raleigh.
March 30, Friday—Kittrell.
April 1, Easter Day—Oxford.
" 3, Tuesday—Williamsboro.
" 4, Wednesday—Middleburg.
" 5, Thursday—Ridgeway.
" 6, Friday—Warrenton.
" 8, Sunday—Henderson.
" 10, Tuesday—Gaston.
" 11, Wednesday, p. m.—Weldon.
" 13, Friday—Jackson.
" 15, Sunday—Enfield.
" 17, Tuesday—Ringwood.
" 19, Thursday—Rocky Mount.
" 20, Friday, p. m.—Wilson.
" 22, Sunday—Tarboro.
" 23, Monday — St. Mary's, Edgecombe county.
" 24, Tuesday—Scotland Neck.
May 3, Thursday—Franklin—Macon. Co., Consecration.
" 6, Sunday—Asheville.
" 8, Tuesday—Calvary church, Henderson county.
" 9, Wednesday—Hendersonville.
" 11, Friday—Tryon City.
" 13, Sunday—Charlotte.
" 15, Tuesday—St. James, Iredell county.
" 17, Thursday—St. Luke's, Rowan county.
" 18, Friday p. m.—Concord.
" 20, Sunday—Salisbury—Ordination.
" 23, Wednesday—Salisbury—Convention.
" 27, Sunday—Durham.
" 29, Tuesday p. m.—Hillsboro.
June 3, Sunday—Wadesboro.
" 4, Monday p. m.—Ansonville.
" 6, Wednesday—Monroe.

Holy Communion at all morning services. Collections for Diocesan Missions.

"But John P. Robinson, he sez, they didn't know everythin' down in Judee." They certainly knew little if they did not know that the safest, quickest and most pleasant cure for croup, bronchitis, cough, cold in the chest, etc., is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price twenty-five cents a bottle.

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—Martin Irons, leader of the great railroad strike in 1886, is now presiding over a small eating stand in St. Louis.

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—Smallpox is increasing in San Francisco. Seven new cases and one death were reported Thursday.

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