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WILSON, N. C., DECEMBER 30, 1897.

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## DIRECTORY.

There will be no tobacco sales until January 3rd, '98.

### DEPARTURE OF TRAINS.

LOCAL TRAINS:

N. Bound. S. Bound.

Between Florence and Weldon. No. 23. 2:35 P. M. Leaves Wilson 2:20 P. M.

Between Wilmington and Norfolk. No. 48. 1:55 P. M. Leaves Wilson, 2:37 P. M.

Between Goldsboro and Norfolk. No. 102. 5:41 A. M. Leaves Wilson 7:17 P. M.

"Shoo Fly" Wilmington to Rocky Mt. No. 49. 10:20 P. M. Leaves Wilson, 6:15 A. M.

THROUGH TRAINS.

Between Florence and Weldon. No. 32. 12:22 A. M. Leaves Wilson, 11:06 P. M.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

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W. P. SNAKENBERG, Chief.

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JAMES MARSHBOURNE.

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CHURCHES.

St. Timothy's Episcopal church,

Services: Sundays at 11 a. m., lay

reading. Sunday School at 3 p. m.

Methodist Church, Rev. J. B. Hurley

Pastor; services at 11 a. m. and 7:30

p. m. Sunday School, 5 p. m. J. F.

Bruton, Supt. Prayer meeting Wed

nesday night at 7:30.

Christian Church, Rev. B. H. Melton

Pastor; services every Sunday, 11 a. m.

7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday

night. Sunday School at 9:30 o'clock,

a. m., Geo. Hackney, Supt.

Presbyterian Church, Rev. James

Thomas, Pastor; services on the First,

Third and Fourth Sunday in every

month and at Louisburg Second Sun-

day. Services at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

Sunday School at 9 o'clock, p. m.

Baptist Church, service as follows:

Preaching Sunday morning at 11:00

o'clock and 8 p. m. Rev. W. H. Redish

Pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday

evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday School

at 5 p. m., D. S. Boykin Supt.

Primitive Baptist Church, preaching

on 2 d Sunday by Elder Jas. Bass; on

3rd Sunday by Elder Jas S. Woodard;

on the 4th Sunday and Saturday before

the pastor, Elder P. D. Gold. Ser-

vices begin at 11 a. m.

LODGES.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon

Lodge No. 117 A. F. & A. M. are held

in their hall, corner of Nash and Gold

boro streets on the 1st and 3rd Monday

nights at 7:30 o'clock p. m. each month.

C. E. Moore, W. M.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon

Chapter No. 27 are held in the Masonic

Hall every 2nd Monday night at 7:30

o'clock p. m. each month.

W. H. Applewhite, H. P.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon

Comandery No. 7 are held in the

Masonic hall every 4th Monday night

at 7:30 o'clock each month.

R. S. Barnes, E. C.

Regular meetings of Wilson Lodge

K. of H. No. 1694 are held in their hall

over the 1st National Bank every 1st

Thursday evening at 3:30 o'clock, p. m.

B. F. Briggs, Director.

Regular meetings of Contented

Lodge, No. 87, K. of P., are held in

Odd Fellows' Hall every Thursday

night. Visiting members always wel-

come.

Regular meetings of Enterprise

Lodge, No. 44, are held every Friday

night in Odd Fellows' Hall.

POST OFFICE HOURS.

Office opens 8 a. m. and closes at sunset

Day mails close for North at 1 p. m.

" " " " West " 1 p. m.

" " " " South " 1:30 p. m.

Night mails for all points close at 9 p. m.

## A BIG BANK FAILURE.

### It Interfered Largely With Anticipated Christmas Cheer.

### VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION PLAN.

Chestnut Street National, of Philadelphia, Goes to the Wall, Carrying With It the Saving Fund—Depositors May Be Paid in Full.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—A sensation was created in this city yesterday by the announcement of the suspension of the Chestnut Street National bank, regarded as one of the strongest financial institutions in the city. The suspension carried with it the closing of the Chestnut Street Trust and Saving Fund company, doing business under the state banking laws. William M. Singlerly, publisher of the Philadelphia Record, is president of both companies, and the same men, with one exception, act as officers and directors. No statement of assets and liabilities is available, but it is stated that the deposits of the Chestnut Street bank amounted to \$1,700,000 and of the trust company \$1,300,000.

President Singlerly gave out a brief statement last night, in which he said: "We are working to secure the indebtedness of the banks, so that they can go into voluntary liquidation, and thus avoid a receivership." In this connection Deputy Controller of the Treasury George M. Coffin, who was sent here from Washington by Comptroller Eckels, said: "The matter of putting the Chestnut Street National bank into voluntary liquidation has been taken up by Philadelphia men of great financial ability. The first step will be to ascertain the value of the assets of the bank. They must first be satisfied that they have a sufficient amount to warrant them in assuming the indebtedness." Mr. Coffin has had great experience in resuscitating troubled banks, and he will remain here several days aiding the men who have taken upon themselves the task of extricating Mr. Singlerly from his financial difficulties. The belief is strong that they will provide the funds necessary for a voluntary liquidation of the two banks.

It was known for some time in banking circles that Mr. Singlerly's banks were in trouble, and the national bank

## A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Tuesday, Dec. 21.

A restaurant at Christmas, Ill., a prohibition town, was blown up by dynamite.

Lewis Lehard, one of the family of the famous hotel men, died in New York, aged 65 years.

A bill is to be introduced in the Maryland legislature for the protection of the song birds in that state.

Governor Leedy, of Kansas, proposes a scheme to utilize arid lands by the construction of a \$360,000,000 canal.

Polish seceders from the Roman Catholic church in Chicago are said to be gaining many recruits all over the world for the Independent Catholic Church of America.

Wednesday, Dec. 22.

A whipping post bill was introduced in the Virginia senate.

Josiah Quincy was re-elected mayor of Boston by 4,000 plurality.

In spite of the new tariff the trade of Nuremberg, Germany, with this country has increased greatly.

Two men were buried in a snowdrift on Pike's Peak. One of them was killed and the other is in a dying condition.

Stacey Betzler, a medical student at the University of Virginia, is charged with chloroforming and robbing a college caterer.

In a street fight between Ida Lemon and Queenie Skinner, at Anderson, Ind., the Skinner woman was fatally carved with a butcher knife.

The manager of Major's tar distillery at Hull, England, and four of the employees were killed by an explosion in the works last evening.

Thursday, Dec. 23.

Italy has decided to send a squadron to Chinese waters.

Remarkable deflections of the magnetic needle are reported from central Russia.

It is proposed to submit the liquor question in South Carolina to a vote of the people.

The president awaits the recommendations of cabinet officials before exempting any officers from the civil service rules.

Six negro prisoners escaped from the jail at Newport News while the people were voting on the question of building a new prison.

Friday, Dec. 24.

Four hunters were frozen to death by the roadside in Newton county, Ark.

Senor Antonio Valdes Cuevas has succeeded in forming a new ministry for Chile.

Ex-Congressman John Patton, of Curwensville, Pa., died in Philadelphia last night, aged 71.

Present earthquakes are reported from the west coast of Mexico. So far there has been no loss of life.

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Monday, Dec. 27.

Mrs. Caroline Miller, a wealthy woman, of Caroline, was smothered at the entrance to her home Christmas eve and fatally injured.

While suffering from hydrophobia John Kernan caused a panic among street promenaders in Albany, N. Y., by snarling and snapping at them.

F. H. Hopkins, of Portland, Ore., who was arrested in New York, is a grain broker, and was indicted at Portland for obtaining \$300 by false pretenses.

A jury at Chicago has awarded \$1,000 damages to Jeremiah Ryan, an alleged survivor of Balaklava, for injuries sustained on a broken sidewalk.

Michael Led from start to finish.

New York, Dec. 27.—Jimmy Michael, the little Welsh wonder, Saturday night, defeated Arthur A. Chase, the English middle distance champion, in a 30 mile race held at Madison square Garden. A great crowd was present and cheered the plucky little Welshman to the echo. Chase rode a plucky race, but was hopelessly beaten from the start. The Englishman fell in the 20th mile and retired from the track. Michael was then 18 lbs in the lead. The official time was 64:05 1-5, and Michael led all the way.

Fire Fighter's Heroic Death.

New York, Dec. 27.—James F. Calman, an engine driver in the fire department, sacrificed his life Saturday rather than run down a woman and little girl, who, transfixed with fright, were unable to get out of his way. Calman, to avoid hitting them, gave the engine too sharp a turn, and it toppled over, with the driver beneath it, killing him almost instantly. The child was carrying a Christmas doll, and Calman had just reported for duty, after having been present at the Christmas celebration of his own children.

Another Washington Suicide.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The recent tragic death of Miss Lella Herbert, the daughter of the late Secretary of the navy, is given as the reason for the suicide which occurred yesterday, of Miss Annie Virginia Wells, an accomplished young society woman and daughter of Mr. Lewis S. Wells, a well known attorney. The young woman shot herself through the heart with her brother's revolver at the residence of her father, 1311 N street, northwest. Miss Wells had met Miss Herbert a number of times, and was very much attached to her.

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## OUTLOOK AT DAWSON.

### Another Report of Threatened Starvation This Winter.

### CONFISCATION PLAN PREVENTED.

The Miners at Dawson Proposed to Apportion Out All the Food in the Place, But the Captain of the Northwest Police Prohibited the Scheme.

Skagway, Alaska, via Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—John Lindsay, of Olympia, Wash., was just arrived from Dawson City, says there will surely be starvation there this winter. He examined into the food situation thoroughly, he says, and after satisfying himself that there would be starvation he sold his outfit, and in company with three others started on foot, each man drawing a sled carrying about 140 pounds of provisions. Lindsay says the Dawson people believe that there is no great amount of food at Fort Yukon, as has been alleged. The river route sufficiently remained open long enough to enable a food supply to have been brought from Fort Yukon had there been any there.

The people of Dawson, believing that they were not ample food supplies at Fort Yukon, refused to go there, preferring to remain in Dawson. Not more than 300 or 400 people took advantage of transportation companies' offers to take the people to Fort Yukon free of charge.

When the miners at Dawson found that no more provisions would reach the town by the river route they announced that a meeting would be held to take steps for apportioning the provisions in the town. Those who had plenty, they said, must share with those who were short. The meeting was held, but the northwest mounted police, interfered and told the miners that no such thing would be permitted. The meeting was not held.

Lindsay says the output of the mines will be greatly curtailed this winter because of the scarcity of food and light. Coal oil sold for \$15 a gallon and candles are as high as \$150 a box of 100. Even if men were able to work their claims they cannot get light to do so.

These statements are borne out by all the returning Klondikers, quite a number of whom have reached here the past week. Few of them, however, take as gloomy a view of the situation as does Mr. Lindsay. Dr. B. L. Bradley, of Rosburg, Ore., says that food is scarce, but he does not think that there will be actual starvation. Neither do W. B. King of Merced, Cal., P. J. Holland of Butte, Thomas Story of Victoria, or Robert Glynn of Seattle.

The Yukon river between Dawson and Fort Pelly froze completely over on Nov. 18. The river is piled full of ice in great ridges as high as an ordinary house, and a roadway will have to be cut through it before dog or horse teams can operate upon it. The outlook, therefore, for taking supplies down to Dawson in the immediate future is not good.

### VENERABLE COUPLE MURDERED.

Son's Awful Discovery at a Farm-house Near Jacksonville, Pa.

Indiana, Pa., Dec. 27.—Milt N. Neal and his aged wife were found to death by an unknown assassin at their home near Jacksonville, nine miles southwest of here, some time during Christmas. Their bodies were found at 9 o'clock that night by their son Harry, who was passing the house and stopping to get a Christmas card on his parents' door.

Neal was one of the most prominent and prosperous farmers of the vicinity in which he lived. When young Neal tried to enter his parents' home he found the doors closed. He forced his way in through the cellar, and on entering the sitting room a horrible sight met him. On a chair near the window lay the form of his mother, her face entirely blown away. At her feet was all that remained of furniture in the room were spattered with blood, and on the ceiling was a good sized dent, in which was embedded a piece of the murdered woman's skull.

For a time there was a suspicion of suicide, but as the facts in the case were so contradictory, the theory was abandoned. The woman was killed with a birdshot, the husband with buckshot. There was no mark of powder on his face, something which, it is said, would have been impossible to avoid had suicide been committed with a shotgun. There is nothing to indicate that the crime was committed for plunder, as in Mr. Neal's pocket was a \$10 bill, and a \$20 bill lay on the top of a dresser.

### Paxon For Commissioner.

Washington, Dec. 27.—It is believed that the president has decided to appoint Judge Paxon, of Pennsylvania, as a member of the interstate commerce commission to succeed Colonel William E. Mortenson, whose term will expire in January. The president yesterday informed Senator Deboe, of Kentucky, who called upon him in the interest of Mayor Todd of Louisville, that the place was promised, and it is thought that Judge Paxon is then slated for the place.

London, Dec. 27.—Lady Milails, widow of Sir John Milails, late president of the Royal academy, is dead. Lady Milails had been suffering for some time past with cancer of the throat, the disease which caused the death of her husband, on Aug. 13, 1896.

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## MAY SUCCEED GORMAN.

Charles J. Bonaparte Talked of For Senator From Maryland.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—Maryland already has a Wellington in the United States senate, and there is every prospect that his colleague, after Arthur P. Gorman's present term expires, will be Charles J. Bonaparte.



CHARLES J. BONAPARTE.

Joseph Bonaparte, of this city. He is the grandson of Napoleon's brother, Jerome, who became king of Westphalia, and since the death of his brother, Jerome Napoleon, in 1834, he has been the head of the Bonaparte family in America. He is now 55 years old and a bachelor.

### TROLLEY CAR HELD UP.

Conductor Shot Dead For Refusing to Submit to the Robbers.

Norristown, Pa., Dec. 27.—A trolley car on the Schuylkill Valley Traction road was held up by four highwaymen at Swedeland, near here, about 10 o'clock last night. Conductor Charles Galloway, of Norristown, refused to give up his money, and was shot dead. Three shots were fired at Motorman Matthias, but none took effect. After rifling the body of the conductor of the money and a gold watch and chain the robbers escaped. There were four women passengers in the car. The highwaymen covered them with their weapons, but made no attempt to rob them. The men looked like tramps, and escaped in the direction of Philadelphia.