CAROLINA.

D. William Little, a prominent physician of Raleigh, is dead.

Eight marriage licanses were issued in Raleigh in Wednesday.

The Merchants' and Farmers' National Bank, of Charlotte, has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent

Rev Mr McPherson and his wife have arrived in Charlotte, and will conduct a series of revivals in Calvary Church.

Goldsboro *Mail:* Mr R Pitman, of Rocky Mount, has invented a machine for sweeping floors, brushing carpets, sweeping lawns, &c, and has it patented.

Durham *Recorder:* Efforts are being made here by those interested to raise a fund for the purchase of a lot for the building of an Episcopal Church, aid has been obtained from a baoad.

Statesville *American:* Last week Mathew Jones, of Gates county, aged 65 years, married his 5th wife, a young girl aged 16 years, his 4th wife being dead only 3 weeks on the day of his marriage.

Statesville *American:* Squire John F McRee on his way home, writes us from Wilkesboro, that Mr A W Finley, living near that place, killed on the 15th instant a hog weighing 792 pounds net, and 836 pounds gross.

Hickory *Press:* Miss Sallie A Johnson, of this place, has a half dollar that is quite a curiosity. It is about a hundred years old and was made and used in times when dollar pieces were cut into halves and quarters when over change was needed.

Murfreesboro *Enquirer:* The season has been so unusually warm and pleasant that fish have actually begun to stir in our waters; several boxes of shad and rock have recently been caught and shipped North; a thing very unusual at this season, and not altogether a favorable omen for the coming fishing season.

Elizabeth City *Economist:* Jas A Barnes, of Hartford, Conn, and N E Nash, of Westerly, Rhode Island, who have been shooting wild fowl in Currituck Sound, for some weeks, left E City yesterday, to spend Christmas at home They killed 6,000 head of game in two weeks—200 geese in one day

For the Review.

The Christmas Tree.

Burns, that wayward child of genius in his exquisite poem, the "Cotter's Saturday Night" has beautifully portrayed one of the customs of the Scottish peasantry in the olden time. It is, as every one knows, a most touching discription of a home scene so vividly painted and so naturally drawn that the characters stand out from the canvass distinct in their individual reality. There are few poems in our language, few indeed in any language so rich in description and so full of tender pathos and genuine poetry, a poetry that appeals directly to the heart and to the affections. It was a beautiful custom at the time when Burns wrote, and we sincerely trust that the progressive spirit of the age has not interfered with it, for the influences of such customs are too sacred to be ignored or forgotten.

Something akin to that custom, though of a less devout character, we have with us in this joyous season of the year, when the Christmas tree is planted in our homes, when friends and kindred gather around it with grateful hearts to the giver of all good for his bountiful mercies, and tokens of kind remembrance are passed from hand to hand and words of love from every lip. It was our privilege on Christmas night with other friends to join the circle around a Christmas tree. It was a beautiful sight and beautiful for its simplicity for there was no tinsel glare and show, no attempt at display, no straining after effects, but the combined influence of good taste, delicacy and refinement, were everywhere apparent and gave a beauty and a charm to the scene that was marvellously pleasant. Around it were gathered the family and the kinsfolk and the friends, old age with tottering steps, manhood in its pride, and youth and beauty, and joyous childhood with its merry laugh. He who can listen to the laughter of a child without a quickening pulse and kindling emotion is worse than him who "has no music in himself," for there is nothing on this broad earth so indicative of unalloyed happiness as the laugh of a young child. There were none around that tree who did not feel the happy influence excited by those little hindering things, who, with the cares and troubles that they bring, yet flood with sunshine every heart and home wherein they lodge. Catching the contagion inspired by their merry gambols, the venerable head white with the frosts of many winters, forgot for the time the infirmities of age and was again a boy, the sceptre unbent laid aside her dignity and moved around with all the exuberence of youth, and vigorous manhood shouted back in boyish glee to tottering infancy in tones of unalloyed delight.

It was a happy occasion, and long may this custom be observed among us. On every Christmas let us plant our tree, [illegible] the home altar of the affections, [illegible] and hang more in union, [illegible] each other happy and no [illegible] in vice. Surely a blessed [illegible] observances like these [illegible] was over, and the lights put out, there mingled with the parting words 'good night', the prayer of Tiny Tim, 'God bless us Christmas time and bless us every one.

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Important to the Afflicted.

We would advise all who may need the advice of a physician, to either call or write to Dr. Robertson, 19, So. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md., who from 15 years experience in Hospital and Special Practice, guarantees a cure in all diseases of the *Urinary Organs* and of the Nervous System, Organic and Seminal Weakness, Impotency (loss of sexual power), Nervous Debility and trembling, Palpitation of the Heart, dimness of sight or giddiness, Nocturnal Emissions, &c., all resulting from abuses in youth, or excesses in manhood; also all skin and blood diseases quickly cured. Dr. R is a graduate of one of the oldest and best medical schools in this country (University of Maryland), and refers to the leading physicians in his city, and all consulting him can rely upon honorable and confidential treatment. In writing enclose stamp for reply. Special attention given to all female complaints. Good accommodations for all wishing to call and see him. Medicine sent to any address.

Wilmington District.

First Round of Quarterly Meetings for the Methodist E. Church, South 1880.

Coharie Miss, at Wesley Chapel, . . Jan 1
Cokesbury, at Cokesbury . . . . . Jan 3-4
Bladen at Bethlehem . . . . . Jan 10-11
Elizabeth, at Elizabethtown. . . Jan 17 18
Whiteville at Whiteville . . . . . Jan 24-25
Waccamaw Miss, at Bethesda . . Jan 28
Brunswick, at Sharon . . . . . Jan 31-Feb 1
Smithville Station . . . . . Feb 3 4
Wilmington, at Fifth Street . . . . . Feb 7 8
Wilmington, at Front Street . . Feb 14-15
Topsail, at Prospect . . . . . Feb 21 22
New River Mission . . . . . Feb 25
Onslow, at Swansboro . . . . . Feb 28 29
Duplin, at Magnolia . . . . . Mar 6-7
Clinton, at Andrews Chapel . . Mar 13-14

District Steward Meeting February 13th, at ten o'clock A M, at the Parsonage of the Front Street Church at Wilmington

L. S. BURKHEAD,
Presiding Elder.

Dr. Mott's Endorsement of Speer's Port Grape Wine.

The following, from the celebrated Dr Mott of New York, speaks wonders for Mr. Speer's efforts to raise the Oporto Grape in New Jersey:

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MR. ALFRED SPEER.—Dear Sir; The visit which I made last year to your Vineyards, wine-presses and vaults at Passaic, N. J., satisfied me thoroughly that the wines manufactured by you are pure and unadulterated, and the very best that can be offered to the public for medicinal uses.

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remain respectfully yours,
ALEX B. MOTT, M. D.,
Prof. of Surgery, Bellevue Hosp. Med'l College, &c., &c

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LOCAL NEWS.

A hair switch, without any address, has been found in the mail bags and is now on exhibition at the Postoffice in this city. The lady owner can get her property by asserting her claim.

We understand that there will be a grand masquerade party on rollers at the Skating Rink on next Tuesday evening. Active preparations are in progress to make it one of the most pleasant events of the season.

Masonic.

The officers of St. John's Lodge and Wilmington Lodge were installed by Past Master Samuel Northrop, of Wilmington Lodge, at the Lodge Room in Masonic Hall building, this morning at 10 o'clock. The installation was private

Unmailables.

The following unmailable postal matter remains at the postoffice in this city:

Postal card signed Your Aft. Son Joe; John P. Artis, Norfolk, Va; Miss Fannie Bowker, Pine Grove, Ga; Miss Sallie D. Martin, 5 Jefferson St Fremont Laundry; Henry McDowell, Flemington, N. C.

Christmas at the Purcell.

The Christmas Dinner at the Purcell House was a superb affair and fully in keeping with the season. Unfortunately for us a full description of the bill of fare, which is printed in golden letters in Messrs Jackson & Bell's happiest style, did not reach us until this morning. But the make-up of the *menu* would cause the mouth of any old diner-out to water, even after the dinner itself had become a thing of the past

Christmas Fires.

About 1 o'clock on Christmas morning an old sycamore tree on the corner of Market and Third streets was discovered to be on fire, caused by mischievous boys placing crackers in its hollow and exploding them The hose of the *Little Giant* was led out of the engine house and a stream turned on which extinguished the flames before any serious damage had been done.

About 12.30 Christmas afternoon the dwelling house of Stephen Richardson, colored, on Harnett, between Sixth and Seventh streets, was discovered to be on fire. The alarm was at once sounded and the Fire Department was promptly on hand. The building was a small one, and was nearly all consumed. The furniture was saved, though in a damaged condition, principally from breakage. Fire accidental—no insurance.

The dwelling house of Mr. F. M Agostini, on the corner of Seventh and Dock streets, caught fire on the roof Christmas morning, caused by boys throwing up and exploding crackers, but it was speedily extinguished with but little damage and no general alarm.

The dwelling house of Mr. John F. Garrell, at the Sans Souci plantation, caught fire yesterday morning and was totally destroyed. It was valued worth about $3,000, and was insured for $1,500 in a company represented by Col. W. L. Smith, and for $500 in a company represented by Mr Norwood Giles. The furniture was also nearly all destroyed, upon which there was no insurance The alarm was sounded in the city and the Fire Department started for the scene, when it was found that the fire was so far in the country and they returned.

Church Services.

Worship in the various churches of the city to-morrow as follows:

ST. JAMES' PARISH,

corner Third and Market streets. Rev. A A. Watson, D. D., Rector. Sunday after Christmas—Dec. 28th—Celebration at 7:30 a. m. Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock Sunday School at 3 p. m. Evening Prayer at 4 o'clock.

ST. PAUL'S EVANG. LUTHERAN CHURCH,

Corner of Sixth and Market streets. Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., Pastor. English Service at 11 a. m. German Service at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Christian Association at 8 p. m. Catechetical Instruction on Tuesday and Friday at 3:30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

corner Third and Orange streets Rev. Dr. J. R. Wilson, D. D., pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath School 4 p. m.

FRONT STREET M. E. CHURCH, (SOTH)

corner Front and Walnut streets, Rev. E. A. Yates pastor. Services at 11 a. m and 7:30 p. m Sabbath School at 3 p. m W M. Parker, sup't. Prayer Meeting and Preaching Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Young Men and Women's Christian Association first and third Tuesday evenings in each month.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev J. B. Taylor, Pastor. Services tomorrow at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Missionary Society at 3 p. m, in Brooklyn Hall. Prayer Meeting Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH,

on Sixth, between Church and Castle sts. Rev. J. P. King, pastor. Services tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 9 a. m.

FIFTH STREET M. E. CHURCH (SOTH),

on Fifth, between Nun and Church streets, Rev. B. R. Hall, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Sabbath School at 9½ a. m. Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

corner Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rector. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 3:30 p. m. Seats free.

SEAMEN'S BETHEL,

Dock, between Water and Front streets Rev. Jas. W. Craig, chaplain. Services at 11 a. m., to which seamen are cordially invited.

The public are invited to attend religious services at the Tileston upper room in the Tileston Normal School building, Ann, between Fourth and Fifth streets every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (COLORED.)

corner Fifth and Campbell streets Rev. A. M. Conway, pastor. Services tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Prayer Meeting on Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Memorial Hall, corner Seventh and Nun streets. Rev. D. D. Dodge, Minister. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 3 and 7:30 p. m. Praise and Conference meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

cor Fourth and Campbell streets. Rev. C. M. Payne, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath School and Bible Class at 3:30 p. m Prayer Meeting on Wedesday at 8:30 p. m. Seats free.

ST. LEWIS' CHAPEL,

corner Seventh and Black streets Rev. John Lewis, pastor. Services at 11 o'clock, a. m., 3:30 o'clock p. m and 8 o'clock, p. m.

WOOTEN'S CHAPEL,

corner of Bladen and Ninth streets Rev. Willis Wooten, pastor. Preaching Sundays, at 11 a. m 3 o'clk and 7 o'clock p. m. Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Prayer Meeting Friday night Sunday School at 9 a. m.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS

WILMINGTON MARKET
DECEMBER 27—4 P M.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Quoted firm at 38½ cents bid. Later, we hear of sales 100 casks supposed to be at 38½ cents, and 180 casks at 39 cents. Market closing firm at 40 cents bid.

ROSIN—Quoted firm at $1 20 bid.

TAR—Steady at $1 10 per bbl of 280 lbs. Sales receipts at quotations.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quoted steady at $1 60 for Hard and $2 60 for Yellow Dip Sales at quotations.

COTTON—Firm. No sales reported.

The following are the official quotations;

Ordinary	10½	Cents.
Good Ordinary	11 1-16	"
Strict Good Ordinary	—	"
Low Middling	11 11 16	"
Middling	12	"
Good Middling	12¼	"

DAILY RECEIPTS

Cotton	35 bales
Spirits Turpentine	97 casks
Rosin	953 bbls
Tar	33 "
Crude Turpentine	144 "

MARINE NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Steam-yacht Passport, Harper, Smithville Geo Myers.
Steamer D Murchison, Garrason, Fayetteville, Williams & Murchison.
Steamer Elizabeth, Bisbee, Smithville, Master.
Nor barque Rector Steen, Alveberg, London, R E Heide
Nor barque Naiaden, Haloorsen, Seville, R E Heide.
Nor barque Erstatingen Oqvist, Charleston. R E Heide
Span brig Celta, Urebarre, Porto Rico, F J Lord.
Br barquentine Adaliza, Nicholas, St Thomas, C P Mebane.
Schr C H Macumber, Googins, Cape Hayti Northrop & Cumming.

CLEARED.

Steam-yacht Passport, Harper, Smithville Geo Myers.
Steamer Elizabeth, Bisbee, Smithville, Williams & Murchison.
Br brig Ellen Gleaves, Jones, Glasgow, Paterson, Downing & Co.
Nor barque Viva, Peterson, Antwerp. Williams & Murchison
Nor barque Frank, Petersen, London. DeRosset & Co.
Nor brig Fram Marcussen, Glasgow, Alex Sprunt & Son.

Exports.

COASTWISE.

New York—Steamship Benefactor—115 bbls rosin, 778 casks spts turpt, 165 bbls crude turpt, 300 do tar, 10 do peanuts, 9 bales yarn, 5 bags peanuts, 1,493 bales cotton 50 bbls oranges, 912 do soapstone, 199 bags rough rice, 12 bbls do, 58 pkgs mdse.

FOREIGN.

Antwerp—Nor barque Viva—3,320 bbls rosin.
London—Nor barque Frank—3,081 bbls rosin.
Glasgow—Nor brig Fram—2,155 bbls rosin.
Brig Ellen Gleaves—2,300 bbls rosin.

WEEKLY STATEMENT

OF STOCKS ON HAND DEC. 22, 1879.

Cotton ashore	10 052
afloat	3,704
Total	13,796
Spirits ashore	19,392
afloat	2,231
Total	21,623
Rosin ashore	103,240
afloat	12,580
Total	115,820
Tar ashore	4,201
afloat	—
Total	4,201
Crude ashore	5,313
afloat	—
Total	5,313

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC 22nd

Cotton	2,510
Spirits	2,949
Rosin	12,811
Tar	1,470
Crude	6,564

EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 22nd.

Domestic

Cotton	1,995
Spirits	360
Rosin	223
Tar	343
Crude	16

Foreign.

Cotton	—
Spirits	—
Rosin	13,423
Tar	—
Crude	—

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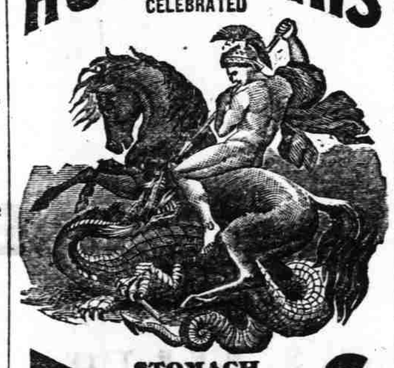
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Miscellaneous. Miscellaneous.

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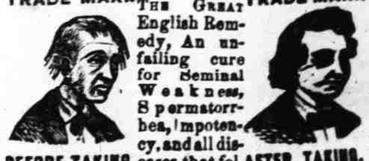
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