Mean Temp. of day, 53 deg.
Note.—All barometric readings are reduced to the sea-level and to 32 degrees Fahrenheit.
ROBERT BETBOTH,
Serg't Signal Service U. S. A.

Weather Report. Office of Chief Signal Officer, Washington, Dec. 18—4:85 P. M.

The barometer will probably rise during to night and on Tuesday from the middle and east Atlantic coast westward to the Mississippi, with partially cloudy and clear weather; fresh northwest winds prevail to-night north and east of Virginia, with cleaning weather. The storm on the New England coast cleaning away to-night, a small area of low barometer, with rain, develops in Louislana and Arkansas, and will move northeastward; pleasant weather prevail on Tuesday in the Bouth Atlantic and Gulf States. Dangerous winds are not expected to night east of the Rocky Mountains, unless possibly over a small portion of Massachusetts Bay.

## THE CITY

NEW AUVERTISEMENTS. HEINSBERGER'S Live Book Store, 39 Market at -Exhibition at the Live Book Store.

WM- M. Poisson;—St. John's Lodge No. 1, & A. M. DUDLEY & ELLIS. -All-Calf Hand Sewed

Shoes-Just In-It is perplexing Sometimes-We Have Just Opened. WILLIAMS & MURCHISON. -At Low Prices.

City Mess Pork. F. W. KERCHNER, -Planting Potatoes-Fire

Crackers-Glue and Tobacco, &c. A. D. CAZAUX.-New Line for New York-

Steamship Metropolis. GARRELL. - Fine Beef at the Citizens'

- Picture Framing, in all its branches, ar tistically executed at VANORSDELL'S.

Personal. Mr. Samuel Reed, of New Jersey, Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, is in

this city, and will institute the Grand Lodge for North Carolina on Wednesday afternoon. at 4 o'clock. This will make the twenty seventh grand jurisdiction in the United States - Imitation Rosewood Mouldings. Ver

pretty for Picture Frames, at VANORSDELL'S. To Advertisers.

Our friends will greatly oblige us by handing in their advertisements as early as possibleissue. Last index, we lost our Southern mail on act on of the rush of advertisements Saturday night, nearly all of which might have been handed in Saturday during the day.

- Something new at VanOrsdell's-the Crystal Card Portes.

Fire at Timmonsville.

A note from a gentleman at Timmonsville, S. C., informs us that the gin house, together with the gin, cotton, cotton seed, etc., of Dr. J. E. Byrd of that place, was destroyed by fire on Saturday last. Estimated loss about \$1,000, upon which there was an insurance of \$500 in the Andes Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

- Oval Walnut and Gilt Frames, all sorts and sizes, at VANORSDELL'S. City Court.

The following cases were disposed of yester-

W. H. Jackson, charged with throwing stones, was found guilty. Judgment sus pended on the payment of costs.

A white man, charged with retailing spirituous liquors on Sunday, was sentenced to pay the penalty and costs.

- Carved and Fluted, Carved and Plain Walnut Mouldings, all sizes, VANORSDELL'S.

A Change of Base Capt. Harper, of the Steam-ing Oldham, in forans us that he will take his boat to Savannah, Ga., on or about the 1st of January, where she will hereafter be located. Capt. H has made hosts of friends among the shipping community here, who will regret his departure from among us, but who will wish him every success in his new field of opera-

tions. The regulation of the continue of - A beautiful assortment of Albums jus received at

Jennie Willmore Franck and J. A. Gulic, late of the Worrell Troppe, have made as en gagement at the Nashville Opers House. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watkins closed their engagement in Montgomery Saturday ovening. Business good, as it should be.

Ella Wren, a favorite here during the war, is acting manageress in Anatic, Toxas.

Edwin Forest is shortly to appear in Nashville. His present Southern tour is said to be even more prosperous than his last,

- Jine Gilt Monleings for Picture Fram tf ... VAROREDELL'S IL

New Steamship Line.

Vol. IX-No. 74. WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19. 1871.

Whole No. 1,318

Local Dots. — The important topics of conversation— Christmas and the masquerade ball.

- The Board of County Commissioners meet this evening, at 71% o'clock.

- Emergent meeting of St. John's Lodge No. 1, F. & A. M., this evening, at 7 o'clock -Sunday and Monday were reminders of Spring days-pleasant to the general public, but the latter awfully dull to reporters.

- Those who witnessed the beautiful sunset on Sunday afternoon were certainly regaled with a most grand and magnificent spectacle.

— The trees in the Court House yard have been sacrificed to the axe of the woodman and the inclosure now presents a naked appear

- We learn that it is intention of the lessee of the Street railway to extend the same to the Union Depot, if possible, by the 1st of

- The Government buoy tender Ivy came up to the city yesterday and took her departure soon afterwards. She came for a supply of coal, we understand.

- Every Saturday is the title of a neat little advertising sheet, issueed for free circulation by our energetic friend, Mr. John T. Britt, of Goldsboro, who has a flourishing job office there.

- From what we can learn it is an established fact that we are to have a new ice establishment here on an extensive scale, a company having been formed for that purpose, The enterprise, we understand, will be matured early in the coming year. That's cool - The Board of Aldermen met last night, but we learn that no business was transacted, the sound of the fire-bell having had a tendency to demoralize the "potent, grave and reverend seignlors" composing the guardians of our

municipality, ASS COR 3 - 40 AND -On Saturday evening last one of our printers had the misfortune to lose a sum of money, consisting of one \$5 bill and eight twenty five cent bills. It was lost either on Front, between Princess and Dock streets, or on Market Detween Front and Second streets The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving It at the STAR office.

Festival.

We learn that the congregation of St. Mark's (colored Episcopal) Church propose holding a Festival and sale of fancy toilet articles, together with a collection of nice books suitable for holiday presents, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of the present week, at the City Hall. They respectfully solicit the patronage of the public. The Festival is held in aid of the building fund of St. Mark's Church.

To the Pentientiary.

The following prisoners, convicted at the late term of the Superior Court in this county, leave here this morning, in sharge of special deputies N. Carrand John Bell, for their destination in the State Penitentiary at Ra-

Wm. Bowden, colored, larceny, 5 years. John Lamb, colored, larceny, 10 years. Alexander Williams alias Alexander Vanderbilt, colored, larceny, 10 years. Three voters "gone up."

Our Chip' Basket.

- A gentleman of fine presence-Santa

- Elmwood paper collars are now all the rage in society. - Old maids are more politely called

"belated sisters." - Rocking in a cradle intoxicates a baby's

brain. - A man in Cincinnati is organizing a brass band of twenty women,

- A young married lady of Louisville, Ky., is the proud mother of a babe born with two A house Tituests, and a starte

- What is it that has three feet and cannot walk, sixteen natis and cannot scratch? A yardstick.

- Whenever you attack your neighbors' character, do it behind his back, so as not to wound his feelings.

- What is home without a mother?" as the young girl said when she sent the old lady to chop some wood.

- It is becoming fashionable at this season for gentlemen to present young ladies with baskets of fruit instead of howers,

- The lady-Mayoress elect of Rome, the Marchess Gayotti, is daughter of Mr. Davis, of New York, for many years a resident in

- A Cincinnati child tied crape on the door to see if the carriage would come to take them out a riding as it did the family across

the street. - In Greenville, Mich., several married wo. men are enrolled as pupils in the public schools. In this istitude it would puzzle any

one to teach married women anything they lon't know. "How would you like to sit on a jury ?"

maid. "I'd as soon all on a hatchet," said the spinator, with a shake of her bombazine

Fire Laut Night. About half past 8 o'clock last night the clarm of fire was sounded, and after walking hearly a mile we reached the scene of the conflagration, which was on Wooster, between Fifth and Sixth streats. The building destroyed belonged to a colored woman by the name of Haupah Howard, and was valued at \$600, upon which there was no lusurance of about \$450. Our enterprising fellow-citizen, Captain A The house was a new one and an addition had D. Cazsux, has astablished a new Ros of steam been made to it since it was insured. The been made to it since it was insured. The colored woman, whose hashand was absent at the Messes. Kidder's mill, where he is em-

and, as he relates, made his way out the best he could, leaving one child on the bed, which was subsequently rescued, with much difficulty, by a colored woman. The house was entirely destroyed, together with all the furniture but a table and a few chairs.

The owner of the property is positive in her declarations that the fire was the work of an incendiary, and she says that it was set to the part of the house in which her children were sleeping.

THE CISTERNS. On account of the condition of the claterns lost; the engines could do nothing in the way of extinguishing the names. The nearest one at hand, located at the corner of Sixth and Castle streets, had only about two or three feet of water in it. In fact, we learn that all the new cisterns (about five or six in number) are out of repair and that they have been condemned by the city authorities, who a few days since notified the contractor that they must be put in proper order. It is a matter of the utn importance that the cisterns should be in good condition, and if, as we understand, all the new cisterns are deficient to that extent that they will not hold the water which is regula ly pumped into them, then immediat steps should be taken to remedy the evil. provided the matter has not already received the proper attention. The safety of the city from the ravages of the devouring element requires that the facilities for supplying plenty of water in every portion of the city shall be

rigidly looked after by the authorities. Our city has been peculiarly fortunate in respect to fire for some time past, but this against their occurrence.

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

|Condensed from the Raleigh Sentinel.|

SENATE. FRIDAY, Dec. 15, 1871. The Senate met at the usual hou

ident Warren in the chair. Mr. Graham, of Orange, chairman of lines between Virginia and North Carothe finance committee, made a report embracing the receipts and disbursements of Mr. Graham, of Orange, introduced a the State government for the past three bill relative to the educational fund now

On motion of Mr. Worth, five copies of the report was ordered to be printed for the use of each member of the Senate. House resolution instructing the State treasurer to pay witnesses summoned by against Judge G. W. Logan, was taken sence be granted to any Senator, up under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Gilmer, the resolution Mr. Worth moved to lay the resolution

on the table. The motion prevailed—yeas 19, nays 8. A resolution introduced by Mr. Cowles, calling for a printed report of the census of this State for 1870, was adouted The hour of 101 having arrived, bills

relative to the State debt were taken up. Mr. Graham, of Orange, offered several amendments, among them one submitting lution was taken up. the question of levying a tax to pay the interest on the debt, to be voted on in August, 1872; those who vote for the tax, shall vote a ticket with the word "compromise' on it—those who vote against the tax, shall vote a ticket with the word "repudiation" on it.

Mr. Love moved to strike out the words Compromise" and "Repudiation," and insert the words "Tax" and "No Tax." The yeas and nays were called and the amendment offered by Mr. Love was lost. The yeas and nays were called and the amendment as offered by Mr. Graham, of Orange, to submit the tax question to the a recess from Saturday, the 27th, was people, was voted down by a vote of yeas | taken up and adopted. 17, nays 21.

The substitute offered by the finance committee, was lost by a vote of yeas 8,

After the vote was announced, Worth moved to reconsider the vote whereby the substitute offered by the finance committee failed to pass its second | consider and pass a bill of this kind, he reading. The motion prevailed by the

following vote; years 29, nays 7.
Mr. Worth moved to strike out that part of the bill which provides for levying the tax to pay interest on the debt and re-duce the bill to its original character as introduced by him. Adopted.

The bill passed second reading by vote of yeas 32, nays 4.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. SATURDAY, Dec. 16. The House was called to order at the

By Mr. Sparrow: A bill to encourage working on the roads : referred. By Mr. Broadfoot: A bill to incorpo-

By Mr. Buckworth: A bill in relation to indictments in assaults and battery; re-

By Mr. Loftin: A resolution instruct ing the attorney general to bring suit on the bond of the public printer for over-charges; placed on calendar.

On motion of Mr. Welch his resolution adjourning on Saturday December 23rd at 12 M., until Tuesday 26th December, was taken up. After an interminable debate and numberless substitutes and amend ments being offered, the original resolution was adopted by a vote of yeas 51 By Mr. Ashe: A bill to define and limit the rights of femes coverts; referred.

WHITE BUSINESS HORINESS OF The bill to raise revenue. The consideration of the 3d section which provides for a tax of 12 cents on the \$100 for peni-tentiary purposes was resumed. The ships to run between this port and New Tork, the first of which (the Astropolis) is advertised the Messas. Kidder's mill, where he is employed, stated that she extinguished every particle of first in the house and put her child dren't bed, after which she want to baurch. She had been there about a half hour when the she want to baurch is one of our most energetic and go-ahead business men—accommodating, reliable and prompt in his dedings attack that she extinguished every particle of first in the house and put her child dren't bed, after which she want to baurch. She had been there about a half hour when the smendment was put to a vote and lost, the question requiring upon Mr. Waring's and inserting out "5 cents." In the question required upon Mr. Rankin's amendment striking out "5 cents." In the question required upon Mr. Rankin's amendment was put to a vote and lost, waring's and inserting out "5 cents." In the question required upon Mr. Waring's and inserting out "5 cents." In the question required upon Mr. Waring's and inserting out "5 cents." In the distribution of first in the house and put her children and the control of the policy of the heat the work of the policy of the heat and the control of the policy of the heat and the control of the policy of the heat and the control of the policy of t

seized two of the smallest children, however, upon Mr. Womack's substitute for the section which provides for a tax of 8 cents to be applied to the payment of all necessary expenses of the government of the institution, the support of the convicts, the construction of work shops and a permanent external wall.

Mr. Womack thought that this was medium ground; five cents being too little and twelve cents too much. It was proposed to suspend, for the present, operations under the contract, for if persisted in would cost State millions. The substitute was put to a vote and 200 BAGS COFFEE,

Mr. Anderson moved to strike out "12"

and insert "9;" lost.
Mr. Robinson moved to strike out "12" and insert "10." He thought 10 cents amply sufficient. He had no disposition to break the contract, but there were other matters to be taken into consideration. An additional appropriation was asked for to enlarge the lunatic asylum, and he was in favor of givins 9 cents to the Penitentiary, and let the remaining three cents go to the asylum, &c.

On motion of Mr. Ashe the previous question was ordered.

The question recurred upon Mr. Robin son's amendment, making the tax 10 cents. 100 Bbls, Distiller's Glue, The yeas and nays were called which resulted in the amendment being rejected by a vote of 49 to 52.

The section was then adopted. Mr. Mills offered the following as an additional section to be known as sec-

"A special tax of one and one-eleventh per cent, to be expended in the payment of the interest on the recognized part of should make us only the more careful to guard were called, and the amendment was rejected by a vote of 13 to 77.

SENATE.

SATURDAY, Dec. 16. A message was received from his Excellency, the governor, transmitting resolu-tions adopted by the Virginia legislature, appointing two commissioners, who shall, veyors, lay out and establish the boundary

in the State Treasury. Referred. Instructs the treasurer to return the ap-

portioned to each of the different counties Mr. Cook introduced a resolution that the Senate take no recess for Christmas the house, relative to charges preferred holidays, and that no further leave of ab-

> was said on the table. Mr. Gilmer moved to to take from the table a resolution to pay certain witnesses summoned by the House committee to testify relative to the capacity of Judge G. W. Logan, and the messenger who was

The rules were suspended and the reso-Mr. Worth moved to strike out all that

portion of the resolution which refers to The yeas and nays were called and the motion did not prevail, yeas 7, nays 27. Upon the passage of the resolution on second reading, the yeas and nays were called, and the resolution passed second

reading, yeas 27, nays 7. The resolution was read a third time On motion of Mr. Graham, of Orange, the rules were suspended, and the house resolution that the General Assembly take

Senate bill to exchange the stocks of The substitute offered by Mr. Love was the State for bonds with which such stocks were obtained, and for other purposes, was read a third time.

Mr. Brogden offered a substitute for the bill. Mr. Graham, of Orange, said the Senate had been engaged three weeks on this bill, requires three weeks for the Senate to wanted the people to know it. Therefore

he moved the previous question. The motion prevailed. The substitute was put to a vote and lost. The bill passed third reading by a vote

of yeas 36, nays 2. Senate resolution authorizing the com mittee on printing to contract with a party in this city who proposes to do the printing at 621 cents per thousand em quads, or at 414 cents per thousand letter

ems; was read.
Mr. Mauney moved to lay the resolu-The yeas and nays were called, and the motion to lay on the table did not FRESH BUTTER, CANNED TOMATOES,

prevail and valegais By Mr. Broadfoot: A bill to incorporate the Literary and Dramatic Association of Fayetteville; referred.

By Mr. McNeill: A bill to repeal chapter 104 laws of 1868-'69; placed on chapter 104 laws of 1868-'69; placed on chapter 104 laws of 1868-'69; placed on chapter 1964 laws of 186

at 7 o'clock of T mid fitiw stans On motion of Mr. Robbins, of Rob Senate bill relative to constitutional amendments was made special order for Monday at 11 olclock.

inited posterior that in - A bill to encourage the growth of peanuts is seriously talked of in the North Carolina Legislature.

- Dr. Pritchard of Raleigh to deliver a series of lectures on temperance. dulla de ob of four tentre bus - Snow fell in Goldsboro' on

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