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Weather Report. WAR DEPARTMENT, Office of Chief Signal Officer, Washington, Dec. 21—4:35 P. M.

The barometer will probably continue to rise to night in New England, with falling temperature. Falling barometer prevail on the coast generally east of Mississippi, with Friday very generally east of Mississippi, with Friday very generally east of Mississippi...

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. HEINSBERGER'S Live Book Store, 39 Market St.—The Rush. MUNSON & CO., City Clothiers—Offer Extraordinary.

DUDLEY & ELLIS—Christmas Presents—Children's and other Slippers. WEST & HARRIS—Mince Meats, Canned Goods, Fruit, &c.

Wake Forest College. The Spring term of this excellent institution of learning commences on the 1st of February, ensuing. It is located at Forestville, N. C.

City Court. The only cases before the Court yesterday morning were those of Hepsy Peterson and Nancy Marks, charged with the larceny of two shawls, the property of Messrs. H. & B. Emanuel, alluded to in our last. The parties were required to give security in the sum of \$300 each for their appearance at the next term of the Superior Court.

Lemon for a Cough. Roast the lemon very carefully without burning it; when it is thoroughly hot, cut and squeeze into a cup upon three ounces of sugar, finely powdered. Take a spoonful whenever your cough troubles you. It is good and agreeable to the taste. Rarely has it been known to fail of giving relief.

Picture Framing, in all its branches, artistically executed at VANORSDELL'S.

A Good Receipt for Gingerbread. Take two pounds of fine flour, well sifted by the fire, rub with it half a pound of butter, one ounce of caraway seeds, one ounce of ginger, half an ounce of coriander seeds, and half a pound of fine sugar. Mix them with one pound and three-quarters of treacle, and roll thin. A quick oven is the best.

A Dog Steals a Hat. A certain individual was trifling with a dog yesterday afternoon, near the corner of Third and Princess streets, when the animal gave a sudden spring, seized his hat from his head and made off with it. The dog's headquarters were in a store on North Water street, and the mischievous animal never stopped until he arrived at his usual abiding place, the young man in the meantime being compelled to remain uncovered until a friend proceeded to the store aforesaid and recovered his chapeau. That dog should be arrested for larceny!

The Cisterns. We are glad to see that the cisterns of which complaint has been made are being put in good order. That at the corner of Chesnut and McRae streets is of three distinct wells connected by tile pipes. These tile or earthen pipes, Mr. Keen informs, were recommended to him as a substitute for the iron pipes, but the rapid evaporation or leakage of the water which has ensued, and which has caused the trouble in regard to keeping the cisterns filled, has induced him to dispense with their use, and substitute the iron pipes, where no leakage has occurred. As we have before stated, it is of the first importance that the cisterns should always be kept full of water, and we are glad to see that the matter is receiving proper attention.

Arrested on Suspicion. Alexander Johnson, a colored man with several aliases, was arrested yesterday with a fine double-barrel gun in his possession, which circumstances went to demonstrate he had stolen. It seems that during the afternoon he was going round offering the gun for sale at the low price of \$2 50, which was sufficient to show that he knew nothing of its real value, or was anxious to get rid of it. He was lodged in the Guard House and will have a hearing before the City Court this morning.

For Sale or Rent. If you have a house or farm for sale or rent advertise it in our new department, under head of "For Sale or Rent," at half our regular rates, for advertisements not exceeding five lines.

MORNING STAR.

Vol. IX—No. 77. WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1871. Whole No. 1,321

Local News. —The "coming man"—Santa Claus. —Something new in VanOrsdell's—the Crystal Card Portes.

—The police will probably be kept quite busy until after Christmas. —This is the Weather when the poor of our city should not be forgotten. —Yesterday was decidedly the coldest day of the season. This was conceded on all sides.

—A colored woman was sent to the City Hospital yesterday, she being sick and destitute. —We hear that several cock fights are expected to come off in this vicinity during the holidays.

—The popping of fire crackers commenced on our streets last night—a sure indication of the near approach of Christmas. —We learn that some of the grocers were asking 60 cents a dozen for eggs, yesterday. We predict a dull Christmas, so far as egg-nog is concerned.

—It is not a difficult matter to find a suitable present for the holidays. Unusual preparations in this line have been made by our enterprising merchants. —The latest fashionable color for bonnets or trimmings is known as peacock blue, and comes in several shades, and is very beautiful and delicate, and becoming to all complexions.

—Don't forget the sale of jewelry, watches, diamonds, &c., at the office of Messrs. Cronly & Morris, this (Friday) morning, at 10 o'clock. This is a rare chance to secure Christmas presents.

Hepsy Peterson and Nancy Marks, the two colored women alluded to in the proceedings of the City Court, were lodged in jail yesterday afternoon, they having failed to give the necessary security. —We were shown a day or two since, at the Book Store of Mr. Jno. D. Love, on Front street, a number of musical albums, which are somewhat of a curiosity in this latitude and would make a very acceptable Christmas present.

The Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias for North Carolina was, we presume, instituted last night, but up to the time of going to press the Lodges were still in session and consequently we could get no report. It will appear in our next.

Grand Lodge K. of P. Supreme Chancellor Road organized the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias, for North Carolina, in this city, last evening, when the following officers were elected: Grand Venerable Patriarch—Alex. T. London, of Clarendon Lodge No. 2. Grand Chancellor—W. A. Jobson, of Stonewall Lodge No. 1. Vice Grand Chancellor—O. H. Blocker, of Cumberland Lodge No. 5. Grand Recording and Corresponding Scribe—Wm. H. Gerken, of Germania Lodge No. 4. Grand Banker—Samuel Merrill, of Centre Lodge No. 3.

Grand Guide—G. A. A. Poppe, of Germania Lodge No. 4. Grand Inner Steward—J. W. Phillips, of Cumberland Lodge No. 5. Grand Outer Steward—L. C. Straughn. Grand Representatives to the Supreme Lodge of the World—G. V. P., A. T. London, for two years; Past Chancellor Henry E. Orr, of Stonewall Lodge No. 1, for one year.

The Carolina Farmer, published at Wilmington, N. C., by Wm. H. Bernard, is a handsome gotten up and ably conducted agricultural journal that ought to be in the hands of every planter and farmer in the Carolinas. Agricultural papers have become a necessity of the times, and you will find none more worthy of patronage, than this home enterprise.—Sunter (S. C.) News.

A beautiful assortment of Albums just received at VANORSDELL'S.

Lost. If you have lost anything, advertise it in our new department, under head of "Lost and Found," at half our regular rates, for advertisements not exceeding five lines.

Our Chip Basket. —How to bring coal down—dump the grate. —An Atlanta lover bought off his rival for \$20. —A noisy piece of crockery—The cup that cheers. —Maid of honor—Those who do not jilt suitors. —A Connecticut canary bird waits divinely. —How to make both ends meet—Don't buy any bone. —Religion is a thousand voiced psalm from the heart of man.

Star Book Bindery. superior facilities we now have for executing cheaply, promptly and skillfully all kinds of Binding and Ruling. Our business in this department has steadily increased, an evidence that we have not labored in vain in our effort to establish a Book Bindery equal to the demands of our growing city. But we are determined to do still more; and as our business grows so will our facilities be increased. Give us a trial.

Holiday Advertising.

The holidays are fast approaching and now is the time for our friends who wish to make known the inducements they can offer to advertise in our columns. Everybody is just now on the lookout to see what is being presented, and at no other season do people so generally consult the papers. Advertise in time, that all may be apprised of what you are doing and what you have to offer in your line. People in the country who cannot visit the city consult the papers, and from them learn just what they can obtain and where. A word to the wise is sufficient.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY.

(Condensed from the Raleigh Sentinel.) SENATE. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1871.

The Senate met at the usual hour, Senator Jones in the chair, the President being absent on account of sickness. On motion of Mr. Troy, the vote to change the time for holding the municipal elections of Fayetteville from the first Monday in January to the first Monday in May, passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Currie, the rules were suspended and the bill for the relief of the sheriff of Bladen was put upon its passage. Mr. Currie explained that there being no banking house in Bladen county, the sheriff deposited some \$3000 of his tax money in the safe of a merchant of Elizabethtown, the usual place of deposit, which was lost by a burglary, and he asked to be relieved from its payment.

[The committee to whom the bill was referred considered the case one of great hardship, but could not go further than to recommend the extension of the time for the sheriff settling with the treasury.] This amendment was adopted, and the bill as amended passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Norment, the resolution to authorize the governor to offer additional reward for the capture of Lowrey and his gang, was referred to the committee on propositions and grievances. Mr. Gilmer, from the committee on education, introduced a bill to consolidate the school laws of the State and to provide for a system of public instruction. Ordered to be printed.

Under a suspension of the rules, the bill to amend sec. 32, chap. 35, revised code, passed its several readings. [Provides for 23 peremptory challenges in cases where life is involved, and 4 in all other cases, for each person on trial, whether singly or jointly indicated.]

SPECIAL ORDER. The special order, the engrossed machinery bill—the bill to provide for the collection of taxes—was considered, the bill being on its second reading. This bill was closely considered by sections and occupied the attention of the Senate till nearly half-past 2 P. M., when it passed its second reading unanimously. The only material amendment made was to require the listing of taxables, &c., in April, as of old.

On motion of Mr. Graham, of Orange, who had the bill in charge, the third reading was made the special order for tomorrow. Also, on motion of Mr. Graham, the bill was ordered to be engrossed as it stood, and sent to the House for concurrence, no further amendment by the Senate being anticipated.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1871. The House was called to order at the usual hour. Mr. McNeill presented a petition from certain citizens to prohibit the sale of liquor within one mile of St. Paul's church, Robeson county; referred.

By Mr. Smith, of Wayne: A bill in favor of the Tax Collector of Goldsboro' township, Wayne county; referred. By Mr. Stanford: A bill to re-enact the act in favor of Sheriffs and Tax Collectors, ratified 10th day of Feb. 1871; referred.

On motion of Mr. Johns, the Senate bill to incorporate the Border R. R. Co., was taken up and passed its several readings. On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the bill to incorporate the Warrenton and Shocco Turnpike Company was taken up and passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Jordan, the resolution in regard to the lease of the N. C. R. R. was taken up. [The resolution instructs the fraud commission to thoroughly investigate the matter in all particulars.] The resolution was read by the clerk. Mr. Johnston, of Buncombe, moved to amend the resolution by raising a joint committee of the General Assembly to investigate the matter; adopted. The resolution, as amended, passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Welch the bill for the general relief of Sheriffs and Tax Collectors was taken up and passed its third reading. The Senate bill to re-enact Section 15, Chapter 37, Revised Code was taken up and passed its several readings. On motion of Mr. Loftin, the bill changing the time of holding Superior Courts in the 3d Judicial district was taken up and passed its several readings. The bill to establish a new county by the name of Graham out of portions of Cherokee county was taken up, and passed its several readings.

SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE.

—Charlotte is to have a fancy dress tournament on skates. —Catawba county boasts of a sweet potato measuring 2 1/2 feet in length. —Larry D. Farmer, of Wilson, is said to be the oldest Mason in degrees in North Carolina. —A young child of Mrs. A. O. Braswell, of Nash county, was burned to death a few days since by its clothes catching fire.

—The Norfolk Journal announces the receipt at the Atlantic Hotel, in that city, Monday, of "a number of fine shad from North Carolina, which were served at dinner next day for the guests of the hotel." Just think! Fresh shad before Christmas. —The Pee Dee Herald says: Mr. Milton Jowers, three miles from here, was pretty seriously injured by knife wounds a few days ago. We know nothing of the particulars, though Jowers is said to be improving. The cutting was done by a couple of young men by the name of Bailey.

—A resolution introduced in the House on Tuesday, to inquire into the practicability of purchasing the Military Institute at Charlotte for the purpose of converting it into an Asylum for the insane, failed in its passage. After failing twice for the want of a quorum the yeas and nays were called and the resolution was adopted.

—The Fayetteville Presbyterian says: Our friend, Col. McKay, has not been talking much of late about the Florence Railroad, but we are assured that he has not given up the project—not by any means. When the Colonel takes hold he never lets go. Seeing the other day that our representative, Col. Broadfoot, had introduced a bill in the House relative to the Florence Railroad, we made inquiry about its provisions, and learned that Col. McKay is seeking to get control of some of the surplus labor of the State, at present unemployed in the Penitentiary, for the benefit of our town and the country south of us. In other words, he asks the State to turn over to him two hundred convicts—and with these he proposes to go to work and grade the Florence Railroad. We hope the Colonel may succeed. In Georgia, we believe, and perhaps in some other States, they are employing their Penitentiary convicts in work of this sort, and find it a good thing.

DIED. MEARES.—At a quarter past five o'clock P. M., Dec. 20th, 1871, of Pneumonia, Thomas Davis Meares, aged 53 years, 4 months and 23 days. The friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend the funeral this morning, at 11 o'clock, from St. John's Church. Raleigh and Salisbury papers please copy.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Rush HAS BEEN SO CONTINUOUS FOR THE PAST WEEK To the Live Book Store That one would imagine it was Court Week, and it still continues. Good reason for it, on account of the superior attractions it presents to the public in the shape of Gift Goods for Christmas. The articles for presents are unsurpassed in point of taste and elegance, and it is next to an impossibility not to be suited. "Little Women," "Little Men," "Old Fashioned Girl and Boy," "Innocents Abroad and at Home," and "Aunt Jo's Scrap Bag," in which is found one of the most perfect Christmas treats to the young ever produced, that when examined by the little dears they will utter an Oh! of perfect satisfaction. All and a great many others.

For sale at HEINSBERGER'S Live Book Store. We Have Received BY STEAMER TO-DAY ANOTHER LOT of that celebrated MINCE MEAT, Canned Lobsters, Salmon, Peaches; Figs, Cream Salad, Nuts, Candies, And a variety of other articles for Christmas. dec 22nd WEST & HARRIS.

Christmas Presents! BOYS' BOOTS! JUST WHAT THE BOYS WANT. DUDLEY & ELLIS, Sign of the Big Boot. dec 19-21

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS! WHITE KID BOOTS! WHITE KID SLIPPERS! FOR YOUNG LADIES. DUDLEY & ELLIS, Sign of the Big Boot. dec 19-21

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS! Gentlemen's Slippers! AT DUDLEY & ELLIS, Sign of the Big Boot. dec 19-21

BABY SLIPPERS! BABY BUTTONED BOOTS! BABY LACED BALS! ALL COLORS, FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. DUDLEY & ELLIS, Sign of the Big Boot. dec 21-1f

5,000 Florida Oranges, PERFECTLY SWEET! SEND in your orders and secure THE BEST IN MARKET. W. M. STEVENSON, Front street. dec 22-1f

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Offer Extraordinary! BEING DESIROUS OF CLOSING OUT our entire stock for the purpose of getting more change into our business, we will from this date sell CLOTHING, Or Anything Else on Hand, AT JUST EXACTLY WHAT IT COST THE PURCHASER. MUNSON & CO., City Clothiers. dec 22-1f

Shields' Eye Wash, MANUFACTURED BY Mrs. SUE W. CASHWELL, Wilmington, N. C. ONE of the most effective remedies for INFLAMED, SORE AND WEAK EYES, ever offered to the public. For sale by all Druggists in the city. Price 25 cents per bottle. GREEN & FLANNERY, Wholesale Agents, dec 14-nashlaw Th

MISCELLANEOUS. THE "STAR" STEAM JOB PRINTING HOUSE, Book Bindery, AND Blank Book Manufactory, WM. H. BERNARD, Prop'r. WILMINGTON, N. C.

The Only Establishment in the State having all these facilities combined. IMPROVED MACHINERY OF ALL KINDS!

THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF TYPE, PAPERS, CARDS AND INKS! SKILLED WORKMEN IN EVERY DEPARTMENT!

NOT THE LOWEST PRICES, BUT AS LOW PRICES AS Any Other Establishment FOR THE BEST QUALITY OF WORK PRINTING, RULING AND BINDING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. Executed Promptly and Skillfully!

SINCE ADDING STEAM POWER, we are enabled to fill orders with THE UTMOST DISPATCH. May 6-24-1f

North Carolina House, Corner Second and Princess Sts., J. & H. HAAR, Proprietors. Wines, Liquors, Ales and Porter, Lager Beer, Cigars and Tobacco, of all kinds. OYSTERS IN SEASON. NOV 12-1f

Barber Shop. JOE TURNER would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally that he has thoroughly refitted his establishment in the rear of Mr. Engle's Saloon, and is now in the best of working order, to accommodate his customers in all the various branches of his business, such as shaving, hair-cutting, shampooing, &c., in the neatest manner and on as reasonable terms as any shop in the city. oct 7-1f

RATES OF ADVERTISING: One Square one day, 10 cts; two days, 20 cts; three days, 30 cts; four days, 40 cts; five days, 50 cts; one week, 1 dollar; one month, 3 dollars; three months, 8 dollars; six months, 15 dollars; one year, 30 dollars. Contract Advertisements taken at proportionately low rates. Marriages, Deaths, Religious, Funeral and Obituary notices will be inserted at half rates when paid for in advance; otherwise full rates will be charged. Terms—Cash on demand.

AUCTION SALES.

M. CRONLY, Auctioneer. By CRONLY & MORRIS. GREAT AUCTION SALE OF Diamonds, Gold & Silver Watches, SOLID GOLD CHAINS, BRONZES, TABLE AND POCKET CUTLERY, Commencing with a new assortment Friday, 22d inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. Sale of Oil Paintings, Friday, 23d inst., at 8 P. M.

PERSONS who have purchased during the week will please call and settle their bills and receive their goods. No sale to-day, as we desire to deliver what has been sold, and not called for. dec 21-2f

M. CRONLY, Auctioneer. By Cronly & Morris. SADDLE & HARNESS HORSES At Auction! Preemptory Sale! ON FRIDAY, 22d inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. we will sell at Exchange Corner, without reserve, 32 Saddle and Harness Horses, selected with great care especially for this market. dec 21-2f

CRONLY & MORRIS, Auct'rs. Good News for the Ladies. A Special Sale for the Holidays in Small Lots at Lippett's Hall. ON Friday morning, Dec. 22d, at 10 1/2 A. M. Goods opened for inspection before the sale. The stock consists of French and English Dress Goods, just landed, Silks, Poplins, Scotch Plaids, Empress Cloths, Black and Colored Lustres, French Merinos, Black Broad Cloths, Cloaks, Sacques, from Paris, latest styles, Scotch Paisleys, Broche, Black Ribbet, Ottoman Stripes, Flaid Woolens, Long and Square Shawls, Fur Sets, Mink, Victoria Ermine, Collars and Bos for ladies, misses and children, and a large assortment of other goods. dec 21-2f

MISCELLANEOUS. 65 FIRST PRIZE MEDALS AWARDED. THE GREAT Southern Piano MANUFACTORY. WM. KNABE & CO., MANUFACTURERS OF GRAND, SQUARE AND UPRIGHT PIANO FORTES, Baltimore, Md.

These Instruments have been before the Public for nearly Thirty Year, and upon their excellence alone attained and unsurpassed pre-eminence, which pronounced them unequalled, in TONE, TOUCH, WORKMANSHIP AND DURABILITY. All our Square Pianos have our New Improved Overstrung Scale and the Agraffe Treble. We would call special attention to our late Patented Improvement in GRAND PIANOS and SQUARE GRANDS, found in no other Piano, which brings the Piano nearer perfection than has yet been attained. EVERY PIANO FULLY WARRANTED FOR FIVE YEARS.

We are by special arrangement enabled to furnish Pianos Organs and Music of the most celebrated makers, Wholesale and Retail, at Lowest Factory Prices. Illustrated Catalogues and Price Lists promptly furnished on application to WM. KNABE & CO., Baltimore, Md. Or to P. HEINSBERGER, Sole Ag't, Wilmington, N. C. oct 14-24-1f Sat Tu Th

Target Shooting. THERE WILL BE A TARGET SHOOTING for Turkeys at E. R. Taylor's, near Brunswick Ferry, on Christmas day—if fair; if not, the next fair day. Dinner and Refreshments furnished those who wish it. [dec 21-2f]

BUY THE GENUINE FAIRBANKS STANDARD SCALES. More Than 250 Different Modifications. AGENTS ALSO FOR THE BEST ALARM MONEY DRAWER. FAIRBANKS & CO., 223 BROADWAY, NEW YORK. FAIRBANKS, BROWN & CO., 118 MILK STREET, BOSTON.

For Sale by leading Hardware Dealers. sept 22-24-1f Sat Tu Th

Glue and Tobacco. 100 BELLS GLUE, 150 Boxes and Caddies Tobacco. For sale by F. W. KEECHNER, 27, 29 North Water St. dec 19-1f

WANTS. WANTED—A few scholars to learn Penmanship, as taught in our Commercial School to a class. Those desiring to join must apply at once, as but a limited number can be accommodated. Terms moderate. dec 14-1f R. H. McQUEEN

BOARDS WANTED—Good Board with or without room on 2nd, near corner of Ann and Doug from corner, on left hand side going South. Terms moderate, by week or month. Address Box 30, CHY P. O. dec 7-1f