OUTLINES.

Ex-Senator and Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Richardson, of Illinois, died yesterday. -- Large sugar refinery at Has tings, on the Hudson, burned. - New York markets: Gold, 1123@113. - Babcock] pronounces the Inter-Ocean publication "an infamous lie.". - The Liberians are disturbed on the question of color-the blacks against the mulattoes. - International regatta in New York harbor June 22, 1876.

FIRE AT TIMMONSVILLE, S. C.

Loss \$29,000-Narrow Escape from General Conflagration. |Star Special. |

TIMMONSVILLE, Dec. 25. L. R. Ragsdale, J. T. Bristow and C. C. Moore were burnt out to-night. Ragsdale's stock was valued at \$15,000, with \$10,000 insurance. Bristow's stock \$1,000, with \$500 insurance, Moore had no insurance. The stocks and stores were all entirely consumed. The fire broke out at 7:30 P. M. Supposed to have been the work of an in-

FULLER PARTICULARS.

cendiary.

From the Timmonsville News, extra issue of Sunday, we obtain further information, It appears that the fire broke out on Christmas night at 71 o'clock. "The demon had put its destroying clutches on the store of Capt. L. R. Ragsdale. Nearly everybody in the place, both white and colored, were soon at the spot, but the wind blew up a brisk gale and the flames progressed so rapidly and the heat and smoke were so intense that nothing could be done either to extinguish the fire or save any of the goods. Everything that could be was done to arrest the flames here, but alas! they were not to cease. They soon communicated with the store of J. T. Bristow, and from thence to the dwelling and shoe shop of C. C. Moore, all of which were consumed. Here the fire was arrested, but with immense exertions. Mr. Bristow's books and a small lot of his goods were saved. Mr. Moore saved his household furniture, his shoe tools and most of the wearing apparel. 'It was with much adolthat the dwellings

of Dr. Wright and Capt. Ragsdale were saved from the flames. Both the buildings. with the furniture, are seriously damaged. It was also a narrow escape and with heavy iss and damage that the bar-room of W. H. DeBerry was saved.

'Goods of every description, furniture, clothing, as well women as children who had been been compelled to desert their homes to evade suffocation, were scattered in various directions, and the most wild excitement prevailed throughout the burning. In the meantime the rogues lost no time in reaping their harvest. "Theentire loss is estimated at about

\$29,000, which was only about half covered 'Ragsdale-Loss and damage, \$25,000; insurance, \$13,000.

"Bristow-Loss and damage to stock, \$1,000; insured for \$500. The building occupied by Bristow, belonging to J. D. Johnson, Agt., loss, \$1,000; insurance,

"Loss of buildings occupied by C. C. Moore, the property of C. D. Hnggins, \$800; insurance, \$500.

W. H. DeBerry, Agt.-Loss and damage, \$400; insurance, \$800. The damage to adjoining buildings and household articles is very heavy, but we are unable to give an estimate."

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Munson & Co.-Wamsutta Shirts. J. M. CHASTEN-A Card.

HARRISON & ALLEN-Umbrellas. Christmas In Our Churches. Services were neld in the Episcopal

churches and in the Catholic church. It has been so long ago-three days-we will only say that the decorations were tasteful and appropriate, and that the attendance was good. The weather was unusually warm for the season. On Christmas Sunday, in the morning, Bishop Atkinson preached at St. Paul's Church an interesting sermon on the life and character of the first Christian martyr, it being St. Stephen's

Athletic. A large number of the members of the Athletic Club were in attendance on the sports of Christmas Day. Mr. W. F. Hargrave won the rifle match at 200 yards and twenty-seven turkeys were shot for. Scrub races enlivened the afternoon and some practice for the grand public display to take place on New Year's Day was had. Altogether, the exercises of the day are said to have been highly entertaining and satisfactory to those members who were able to attend.

Serious Accident. Quite a serious accident occurred at the Intersection of Front and Market streets early Christmas morning. It appears that Mr. William Collister made an effort to cross the street between the two drug stores in front of an advancing street car, to which was attached a young and spirited horse. The result was that Mr. C. was knocked down and run over by the horse, his body then coming in contact with the front of the car, in which position he was dragged for several yards before the horse could be stopped. Mr. Collister, as may be imagined, was very badly bruised, and it was at first thought that his wounds were of a fatal tance to hazard a shot, and he was in the physician, where he received the necessary medical attention, it being ascertained that no bones were broken.

Come to the Fair.

· The Neptune Engine Company, of Charlotte, numbering some 40 men, arrived by special train on the Central Railway about 12½ o'clock this morning, and proceeded under the escort of the Committee of the Cape Fear Steam Fire Engine Company of this city, preceded by music, to the engine house of the latter company, where they will be entertained.

The special train also brought nine carloads of visitors to the colored Industrial Fair now being held in this city, from Charlotte and other points on the line.

THE MORNING STAR.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1875.

PROBABLE FATAL SHOOTING AF- INDUSTRIAL FAIR EXPOSITION.

- Holiday trade continues brisk. - Cooler and cloudy weather, with possible rain to-day.

- Josh Billings will talk phunn at he Opera House February 4th. - The "original" colored minstrels

held forth at the City Hall last night. - Hermann, the wizard, failed to

meet his engagement at the Opera House as - Some one suggests that on New Year's Day there be a general suspension

- A large glass in one of the show

windows on Market street was broken Saturday night by a rocket. -The German Barques Juno,

August Tutve and Sannabund, are reported in below and bound up. - Five foreign vessels, all square-

riggers, are now awaiting cargoes at the wharves of the cotton compress. - It was conceded on all sides,

yesterday, that the weather was about the warmest ever known for the season. - The Schr. Walton, Corbett, at Bath, Me., Dec. 14th, from this port, re-

ports the loss of part of her deck load on the passage. - There were those who doffed their cloth coats and donned alpaca yester-

day after one trip on the streets in the heat - In addition to the dinner given to the prisoners in the county jail Christmas day, Sheriff Horrell treated those from Pen-

der to cigars, tobacco, &c. - We noticed that all parties who appeared on the streets Saturday night with masks on their faces, were ordered to remove them by persons who appeared to be acting as special policemen.

- Mr. James Walker, of this city, has been appointed Master Builder of the Western Insane . Asylum at Morganton. The work will be commenced shortly and pushed forward to speedy completion.

- The Pythian Echo will make its first appearance on Saturday next, the 1st of January, and will be issued regularly every Saturday thereafter. The office is on Third street, over Munds' drug store.

-- The News and Courier speaks encouragingly of the enterprise in which Gen. Lilley is engaged-viz: raising funds for the Lee Mausoleum. It says he will be 'further encouraged in his Southern tour by his success in Charleston."

- We are glad the gentleman who felt the earthquake in this city managed to be on the qui vive just in the nick of time to rescue us from the mortification of supposing we had no shake. Things of public importance seldom give Wilmington the

- The regular passenger trains on the C. C. Railway did not arrive yesterday morning or depart last evening, owing to the call for extra cars up the road. Several gentlemen who took a Christmas run into the country were unable to get back to their business until last night.

- Mr. C. H. Mohr, formerly a well-known and much-respected German citizen of this place, who left here for Germany on the 8th of October last for the benefit of his health, died at his home in Lamstedt, Province Hanover, in that country, on the 28th ult. His disease was consumption.

Mayor's Court.

The following cases were disposed of

yesterday morning: Wm. Erich, charged with disorderly conduct, was ordered to pay a fine of \$20 and costs, which was afterwards reduced, by order of the Mayor, to \$12 25, including

James Peterson, charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, was ordered to pay a fine of \$20 and costs.

P. Canningham, charged with drunkenness, was dismissed on the payment of

Thos. Wilson, charged with drunkenness, judgment suspended on the payment of costs.

Several cases were continued over for a future hearing.

Accidentally shot.

A colored man by the name of George Knight, a fireman on the W., C. & A. R. R., met with a severe accident Christmas morning. He was crossing the river for the purpose of attending to his regular duties, when, seeing a bird flying in close proximity to the boat, he hastily drew a loaded pisted from his pocket with the intention of firing upon it. By this time, however, the bird was at too great a disact of returning the pistol to his pocket when it accidentally exploded, the ball en tering the palm of his right hand and going through the back, making, as may be supposed, a very ugly wound.

Masque Ball.

occasion in advance.

We have to announce that a masque ball under the supervision of Mr. Jas. M. Brown will be given in the City Hall on the last night of the year-31st instantproviding the weather is clear and cold. Mr. Brown is well known as the getter-up of our most successful society masques of late years, and the guarantee of his name will doubtless attract a concourse of the first order and insure the enjoyability of the

FAIR.

Unfortunate Difficulty Between two Citizens of Middle Sound-One of Them is Shot and Bangerously Wounded.

It is with regret that we are called upon to record a very unfortunate shooting affair that occurred on Middle Sound, in this county, on Saturday afternoon last. It seems that Mr. J. F. Everett, who re-

sides about eleven miles from this city, on

Middle Sound, went to the store of Mr. Benjamin Garrett, about seven miles from town, on the day mentioned. As Mr. Everett came up near the door Mr. Garrett was heard to say, "There he is now," immediately upon which he went out and confronted Mr. Everett, charging him with having tried'to get certain persons to have him indicted for selling liquor without a license. Mr. Everett denied the truth of the allegation, remarking that whoever had told him (G.) so had lied. Garrett reiterated the charge, saying he could prove it, while at the same time he advanced upon Everett, slapped him on the shoulder and gave him a shove backward. Everett demanded to know what he meant, when Garrett, with an oath, again advanced upon him and gave him a blow with his fist. Everett then, apparently to avoid any difficulty, leaped a fence and commenced running off, when some of the party which had gathered at the store taunted him with being a coward, &c., because he was running. Everett thereupon stopped, when Garrett again advanced upon him in a threatening attitude, followed by the crowd. Just at this time Capt. A. A. Moselev came riding by, and, seeing at a glance that there was a difficulty between the parties, rode his horse in between them and endeavored to prevent any further disturbauce. Garrett, however, managed to get once more in striking distance of Mr. Everett and gave him another blow with his fist, at the same time making a motion backward with his hand, as if with the intention of drawing a pistol. At this, Mr. Everett, who carried an ordinary shot-gun in his hand, levelled the piece at his antag onist and fired, two of the shot taking effect in the right lung of Mr. Garrett. The wounded man was taken to his house by some of his friends, who sent a message for Dr. Jos. E. Sheppard; who, upon his arrival, we learn, pronounced his patient in a

very critical condition. Soon after the shooting, which occurred about 4 o'clock, Mr. Everett started for the city, and upon arriving, proceeded to the residence of Deputy Sheriff A. H. Morris (not being able to find Sheriff Manning, to whom he gave himself up. The officer, accompanied by his prisoner, went to the office of Justice VanAmringe, from whom the necessary warrant was procured and Everett was committed on bail in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance before him jesterday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. In the meantime Deputy Sheriff Morris went down to the scene of the difficulty and summoned fourteen witnesses to attend the investigation of the case. He also visited the wounded man and found him spitting blood and evidently in a very dangerous condition. The physician in attendance also spoke very discouragingly of the case, and led the officer to believe that he had but little hopes

of his recovery. The time for the preliminary exmination was changed to 4 o'clock, at which hour Justice VanAmringe commenced the investigation in the Court House. The evidence, we learn, was substantially the same as detailed above, and the prisoner was released upon giving bond in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance before Justice VanAmringe again on Saturday next, by which time it is thought something more definite will be known as to Mr. Garrett's condition.

Sheriff Howell, of Pender county, brought down, on Friday night last, Owen Costen, Arnold Corbett, and Casen Aikins, all colored, and lodged them in jail. It ap. pears that they were ordered by the Court to pay costs and give bond in the sum of \$50 each for their appearance at the next term of the Superior Court, and in case of failure to do this they are to accept the alternative of three years in the Penitentiary.

The Sheriff has it at his discretion to allow them a reasonable time in which to meet the requirements of the Court and in the meantime they will be kept in the county

jail here for safe-keeping.

Pender Prisoners.

Mr. William Grissom, who is said to have been the oldest pilot of the fleet plying off our port, and who has many friends in this city, on Sunday afternoon boarded a vessel off New Inlet, in the line of his duty, and as he stepped over the side fell upon the deck and soon expired. His death is attributed to apoplexy. He was conveyed to his ate home in Smithville, whence the interment was to take place yesterday.

Capture of an Escaped Prisoner. A colored girl by the name of Nancy Hewy, an escaped convict from the county Work House, was discovered and recognized on the road between this city and the Sound, yesterday, by Deputy Sheriff Morris, who took her into custody, put her into his buggy and brought her to this place, when she was lodged in jail.

Range of Thermometer. The following was the range of the thermometer at the Signal Bureau, in this city,

7 A. M., 66; 12 M., 75; 2 P. M., 76; 4:80 P. M., 72; 9 P. M., 55; 11 P. M., 54.

First Colored Fair Ever Held in the State-The Procession, Speeches, Articles on Exhibition, &c.

The first fair of the colored Industrial

Exposition Association, and the first fair of the kind ever held by the colored people of this State, was inaugurated here yesterday. A procession was formed at 12 o'clock on Third street, headed by the Rose Bud Band, followed by the Order of Good Samaritans, the colored Masonic fraternity, citizens on foot, carriage containing the orators, &c. The Fayetteville Star Band was also in the procession. The column, which was quite an imposing one, marched through the principal streets, halting at the grounds, corner of Eighth and Princess streets, where the speaking took place. The Fair was formally opened by Jos. C. Hill, President of the Association, followed by prayer by Rev. G. D. Jammison, Chaplain. An address was then delivered by John H. Smyth, orator for New Hanover county, who was followed by Congressman Elliott, of South Carolina. There was a large attendance upon the grounds and the streets adjacent during the day.

A reporter visited the different halls and found a very creditable display in each

FLORAL HALL.

This Hall is on the third floor of the Giblem Lodge building. Here he found a fine array of articles as follows: A silk quilt,

by Virginia Coleman, Concord, N. C.; a pillow case by the same; pencil drawings, by C. W. Whitfield, Cumberland county; cruel work, by Mollie Williams; silk quilt, by Carrier Shrier; child's cloak, by Maria Harrison, of Wake county; dressing gown, by Fannie Sadgwar, log cabin quilt, by C. Bailey; specimen of stone from China, by Jos. A. Sharpless, Wilmington; specimen of limber stone, by Richard Caldwell, Mecklenburg county; a sea monster preserved in alcohol; slippers by Georgie Cherry, Edgecombe county; display of of cotton mill products; bedstead and fixcounty; infant's cloak, by same; lady's wrapper, by W. A. Green; night dress, by Georgiana McRackan, very fine; worsted flowers, by Annie Wiggins, Wake county; specimen of satinet cloth, by Amanda

Moore, of Cumberland county, &c.

AGRICULTURAL HALL. This department is on the second floor. Here our reporter found a fine display of cocoanut cake by Caroline Robinson, and various cakes, jellies, &c., by other parties; pound cake, by Wm. Hughes, of Cumberland county; saw mill, all wood work, cut with a penknife, by John E. Walker; fine display of cornice work, by George W. Price, Jr.; display of boots and shoes by Evans & VonGlahn; display of boots by G. W. Robinson; also by Jeffry Starling; collection of turned would work by Wm. Kellogg; church and tin ware by Geo. W. Smith, Robeson county; hand-made desk, by James R. McNeill, Cumberland county; display of medicine, by George W. Price, Sr.; display of wines, by Jane Restin; fine twist of tobacco, by Robert B. Russell, of Harnett county; display of jellies, pickles, &c., by various parties; panel door by J. C. Hooper, Robeson county; panel door by Joseph K. Parge, Fayetteville; display of tools by Aaron Kellogg, Wilmington; carved spoon and fork, very fine, by Rev. F. R. Howell; blacksmith's anvil, by J. J. Jones. winding stairs, by Louis Hollingsworth, Wilmington; steel tools, by Jno. A. Hargrave, Wilmington; wooden watch and chain by F. P. Williston, Cumberland county; cast iron furnace, by Alexis Conner; display of cart-work, by Caleb Hardy; guns and War implements captured from Henry Berry Lowrey; fine display of tin

ware by James Richardson. ON THE GROUNDS

were a display of fine carriages by Jas. A. Lowrey; open top buggy by Joshua Council, Cumberland; open wagon, by P. P. Barge, Cumberland; fine display of pigs by Duncan Holmes; fine pig by Henry Corbett, Sampson. There was a fine and large display in thiz department, including fowls, agricultural products, &c.

Altogether the exhibition is a fine success, and one which should inspire the colored people with a just pride.

Christmas at the Jall.

At 12 o'clock on Christmas Day all the prisoners in the county jail were turned out of their cells and proceeded to partake of a dinner provided by Sheriff Manning such as the greatest epicure of us all might have done justice to, and which to the eyes of those long accustomed to the not too varied prison rations which can be provided on the meagre stipend allowed by the county for the purpose must have seemed a feast indeed. There was the turkey and trimmings, with all the nice et ceteras of a substantial sort, and the way the prisoners buckled | tie Smith Third Maid of Honor. will not invade the privacy of that moment by giving a detailed account of just how the feast was cleared from the board or of the pleasure that reigned. We leave it to the imagination; and we are sure that everyone will feel a thrill of satisfaction in contemplation of the scene, at the thought that even the prisoners were enabled at this season of general rejoicing to feel that Christmas marks an event on account of which they have reason to be glad.

After the feast some of the prisoners got together and resolved that it was "no sham of a Christmas dinner," and tendered written thanks to Sheriff Manning and Jailor Howard for their generous recollection of the captives in their charge while them-selves at liberty and engaged in their own

Guard House were about being taken to their quarters by Officer Allen Denton, one Thomas Robinson, colored, charged with stealing an article of clothing from the store of Mr. S. Hanstein, on Friday last, seized a favorable opportunity and made his escape. The officer, missing his prisoner a moment afterwards, gave chase, and arrived at the corner of Princess and Third streets just in time to see Robinson turning the corner of Fourth street in the direction of Chesnut.

An Escaped Prisoner-A Lively Chase.

· Yesterday morning, on the adjournment

of the City Court, and when such of the

prisoners as had been remanded to the

He shouted "stop thief," "arrest that man," &c., which attracted the attention of persons passing, some of whom joined the officer in the pursuit. Robinson, however, who was pretty fleet of foot, managed to distance his pursuers, jumping several fences and crossing lots in the meantime, until he arrived on Sixth, near the corner of Mulberry streets, when he sought refuge under the house of one Maria McFarlane. colored. Here he was discovered by a small colored boy, who pointed out to the officer the retreat of the fugitive. By this time several persons had gathered in the rear of the house and Robinson was ordered to come forth, the "small boy" being posted on the street to give the alarm if he attempted to escape in that way. Hardly had the latter arrived at the post of duty when Robinson darted from his hiding place into the street, when the boy, who happened to have a small toy pistol, presented it near his head, but not in the direction of it, and

House. The same fellow attempted to escape on

fired it off. The report had a stunning

effect upon Robinson, who exclaimed that

he was shot; but he quickly discovered his

mistake and was about starting on another

run, when "Denton and his merry men"

suddenly confronted him, took him into

Saturday. Christmas in the City.

Christmas has come and gone. In this articles from the Deaf and Dumb Asylum; | city it was observed in about the usual man. display of hair work, by M. White; display | ner. There were appropriate services in the Episcopal, Lutheran and Catholic ings, by W. A. Whitfield, Cumberland churches, which were handsomely decorated for the occasion.

The atmosphere was laden from the peep of dawn until midnight with the sounds of popping crackers and the tooting of horns, these latter being of all sizes, shapes and intensity of ear-splitting capacity. In fact, these soothing, tranquilizing performances were commenced early Christmas eve and continued to be heard at intervals throughout the night.

A notable fact was the absence from the streets of the numerous "Kooner Johns' with their noisy trains of followers, one of the time-honored institutions of Christmas which had degenerated into the greatest kind of a nuisance, which fact led the Mayor to forbid any such exhibition on the public thoroughfares during the present holiday season.

There were various shooting matches for turkeys, chickens, &c., in the suburbs of the city, the main ones, we believe, being at Hilton and near the corner of Eighth and Wooster streets.

Christmas night there was quite a display of fire-works on Market and Front streets. in the vicinity of the Market House, which, with the unceasing roar of multitudinous fire and candle crackers made things look and sound very lively.

Taken altogether it was one of the pleas antest and most enjoyable Christmas anniversaries we have had in many years, the weather being especially favorable to a full and free participation in the festivities of the occasion.

The Whiteville Tourney and Ball. The young men and maidens of Columbus and Bladen treated themselves to a jolly time on Thursday last, at the jolly town of Whiteville. In accordance with announcement in the STAR, the valiant knights assembled on that day, to the number of fourteen, for an old-fashioned tournament, and with them came the fair to applaud the victors and comfort the disconsolate with hopes of better fortune the next tilting-time.

The psocession formed in front of the Court House at 11 o'clock, under the marshalship of Mr. Jeff Wiggings, and thence proceeded to the ground selected for the contest-some half-mile from town.

Arrived on the field, an interesting and appropriate address was delivered by Capt. W. J. Stanley, and then the tilting commenced. After a contest involving much skill and good riding the honors were awarded as follows:

Mr. Henry Frazier making 26 points, crowned Miss Mortie Haynes Queen of ing 16 points, crowned Miss Mary High First Maid of Honor; Mr. Jas. Howell making 14 points, crowned Miss Cora McCormac Second Maid of Honor; Mr. M. A. Byrne making 13 points, crowned Miss Bet-

up with spirit until about 3 o'clock.

tracted attention by their graceful bearing gentlemen, who had gone up to the Columbian metropolis to honor the occasion by their presence.

the management most successfully and without any untoward incident; indeed. our cavalier thinks there was not one present but felt entirely satisfied with the experience and went away at last in a bland

WHOLE NO. 2,687. The Masonic Installation.

The brethren gathered in force on las evening (St. John's Day) at the hall of St. John's Lodge, to attend the installation of the officers of the several bodies constituting the Urder in this city. There was also a fine turnout of citizens and ladies representing our first society. The impressive ceremonies of the installation were novel to many, and with the accompanying remarks were followed by all present with great in-

Past Master H. H. Munson installed the

following: ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 1. W. Larkins, W. M. C. M. VanOrsdell, S. W. J. I. Macks, J. W.

W. N. Holt, Treasurer. J. C. Munds, Sec'y. W. R. Kenan, S. D. A. Carpenter, J. D.

R. W. Price, H. G. Flanner, Stewards. J. Price, Marshal. B. G. Bates, Tyler.

WILMINGTON LODGE NO. 319.

Samuel Northrop, W. M. Chas, H. Robinson, S. W. W. P. Oldham, J. W. A. J. Howell, Treas.

W. S. Warrock, Sec'y. W. H. Chadbourn, S. D. E. G. Barker, J. D. Geo. Patterson, Chaplain.

Jno. L. Cantwell, Marshal. Jno. B. Robinson, S. H. Collins, Stew'ds B. G. Bates, Tyler. Mr. Munson, acting in virtue of his office

of P. G. H. P., also installed the following officers of CONCORD CHAPTER NO. 1. C. M. VanOrsdell, M. E. H. P.

H. H. Munson, E. K. A. Wronski, E. S. W. A. Williams, C. H.

custody and carried him to the Guard R. Greenberg, Treas. J. C. Munds, Sec'y. J. I. Macks, P. S. B. P. Harrison, R. A. C.

> J. McD. French, G. M. 3rd V. G. W. Jewett, G. M. 2d V. J. W. Zimmerman, G. M. 1st V. Geo. Patterson, Chap

B. G. Bates, Tyler, Deputy Grand Master C. M. VanOrsdell nstalled the following officers of WILMFNGTON COUNCIL NO. 4.

G. W. Jewett, T. I. M. C. M. VanOrsdell, D. I. M. M. M. Katz, P. C. of W. R. Greenberg, Treas.

J. C. Munds, Recorder. A. Wronski, C. of the G. B. P. Harrison, C. of the C.

J. I. Macks, Steward. B. G. Bates, Sentinel. And the following by Past Grand Com-

mander Alfred Martin, for WILMINGTON COMMANDERY NO. 1. H. H. Munson, E. C.

J. W. Jewett, G. B. P. Harrison, C. G. Rev. Geo. Patterson, P. S. S. Everitt, S. W.

C. M. VanOrsdell, J. W. A. Martin, T. S. D. Wallace, R.

T. H. Johnson, St'd B. T. B. Carr, S. B. Geo. Harriss, W.

B. G. Bates, S. All the new officers hold during the ensuing Masonic year.

Found Dead in His Bed-The Inquest -The Verdict, &c.

Lewis Foy, a well known colored carpen er of this city, some sixty odd years of age, was found dead in his bed at his house on Campbell, between Second and Third streets, yesterday morning. It appears that Mr. Henry Nutt, to whom the house in which Foy was living belongs, had occasion to call upon him yesterday morning, and did so in company with a lady by the name of Mrs. Turney, who was interested in the matter upon which Foy was to have been interviewed. Mr. Nutt knocked at the door, and, upon no one responding, he took hold of the knob, gave it a turn and then shook it, when the door came open. Mr. N. stepped inside and the first object that met his astonished and horrified vision was the body of poor Lewis Foy, lying stark and cold upon his bed, and upon closer examination it was found that he had been dead for some length of time, as decomposition had already commenced. Mr. Nutt immediately came out, closed the door and notified T. M. Gardner, Esq., Special Coroner, of the facts, Coroner Hewlett be-

ing indisposed. The inquest was held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock, at the house of deceased. I appeared in evidence that the last seen of Foy was on Saturday afternoon, about 1 Love and Beauty; Mr. Luther Carter mak- o'clock, when he left the house of Mr. J. H. Heins, where he received his Christmas dinner, remarking as he left that he believed he would go home and take a little nap. Jane Bowers, a colored woman, testified that she saw him while on his way from Mr. Heins' residence to his own houseinto it was a caution to behold. But we After the riding the crowd dispersed to There was no evidence of bruises or other which time at least 75 or 100 assembled to | ing of the door was again tried, and it was participate in the dancing, which was kept | found that by shaking the knob the bolt slipped out and the door opened, as was the Among the numbers on the floor who at- case when Mr. Nutt first tried it. There was nothing to show or indicate that were several from this city, both ladies and the door had been opened or the body disturbed in any manner after deceased had lain down on Saturday afternoon. He had pulled off his coat and boots. . The entire programme of exercises for but the remainder of his clothing was on the day and night was carried through by his person. The coat was on a chair and the boots on the floor, where deceased had evidently placed them himself, while in his vest pocket was the watch he usually carried about his person,

The jury returned a verdict that deceased came to his death by the visitation of God.

RATES OF ADVERTISING ionately low rates.

Five Squares estimated as a quarter-column, an en squares as a half-column.

uperior Court.

Court met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock pursuant to adjournment. The following cases were disposed of:

C. W. Bradley vs. Alex. Oldham. Judgment for plaintiff.

The Bank of New Hanover vs. W. R. Kenan. Verdict for defendant.

CITY ITEMS.

BOOK BINDERY .- THE MORNING STAR BOOK BINGery does all kinds of Binding and Ruling in a work manlike manner, and at reasonable prices. Mer chants and others needing Receipt Books, or other work, may rely on promptness in the execution of their orders.

TRANSFER PRINTING-INKS.-Invaluable to rallroad companies, steamship companies, banks, merchants, manufacturers and others. They are enduring and changeless, and will copy sharp and clear for an indefinite period of time. Having just received a fresh supply of these inks, we are prepared to execute orders promptly and at moderate

The avenues leading to an early grave have often been opened by a cough or cold. Thousands have been cured and saved by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrnp.

Spirits Turpentine

- Junius W. Fort, a prominent citizen of Wake county, died on Friday of heart disease.

- While riding recently Mr. J. A. McArthur, of Cumberland county, was severely injured. - On last Friday week the residence of Mr. Robert Simpson, seven miles

from Asheville, was burned. - Clemmons' new and large Eagle Hotel at Asheville will soon be completed. Pinckney Rollins is likewise bullding a fine hotel in that town.

- Mr. M. H. Pinnix, a member of the N. C. House of Representatives from Davidson county, was married on the 22d inst., in Norfolk, Va., by the Rev. J. Kienan of Elizabeth City, to Miss H. Courtney Baxter, only daughter of Dr. O. F. Baxter, of Norfolk, Va.

- The News learns of an unfortunate affair which occurred at Franklinton, Franklin county, Friday. Two men named Allen and Reams were engaged in a perpistols. A shot fired at one of the parties missed him, the ball taking effect in the right thigh of Mr. R. S. Winston, a gentleman residing near Franklinton, inflicting a

- From the Charlotte Observer: The gin-house of Messrs. Nicholson and Porter, in Berryhill Township, about 4 miles from the city, was destroyed by fire a few days ago. Five bales of cotton, about 300 bushels cotton seed, and a quantity of tools. were burned with the gin-house. On Tuesday, the gin-house of Mr. R. J. Kendrick, in the Steel Creek neighborhood, about 9 miles from the city, was destroyed by fire. There were 20 bales of cotton in the ginhouse, and this was a total loss, as was also a quantity of lint cotton, cotton seed, &c. Both fires supposed to have originated from

DIED. MOHR.-At home, Christian Meinrich Mohr, a MOHR.—At nome, Christian Heinrich Mohr, a native of Lamstedt, Provinz Hanover, Germany; a naturalized citizen of the United States; left Wilmington, N. C., October the 8th, ultimo, for the benefit of his health, and died of consumption at his home on the 28th day of November, 1875, aged 32 years, 10 months and 28 days.

He leaves a wife and countless friends to mourn his nutimaly loss.

Fest steh dein Sarg in wohl gegoenter Ruh, Mit lockerer Erde deckt ihn leise zu; Und sanfter als des Lebens', ruhe dann Auf die der Grabes Buerde, guter Mann. CURTIS.—In Smithville, N. C., Dec. 25th, 1875 Sarah Twining, wife of Dr. W. G. Curtis, aged 39

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