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OUTLINES.

Stephen B. Elkins has been nominated for Secretary of War by President Harrison; the nomination was referred to the Senate Committee on Military Affairs. The United States Senate was in session yesterday; sundry bills and resolutions were introduced and several speeches made on important matters. Numerous deaths from the influenza epidemic in England are reported. The Corporation of London has voted \$20,000 as a wedding present to Prince Albert Victor of Wales and Princess Victoria of Teck. A saw mill at Ridgeville, Ind., was wrecked by a boiler explosion and several persons were killed. Twenty-six persons were injured in a railroad accident near Cherrville, N.C. of three of them fatally. The "combine" Democratic Convention of Louisiana nominated Thos. S. Adams for Governor. The Glendale Woolen Mills, R. L., burned; loss \$85,000. N. Y. markets: Money easy at 2 1/2 @ 3 per cent. Cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 1/2-16 cents; middling Orleans 8 1/2-16 cents; Southern flour weak and moderately active; wheat irregular; No. 2 red 1 04 1/2 @ 1 05 1/4 in store and at elevator; corn higher; No. 2, 37 @ 90 cents; rye steady and quiet; strained, common to good, 1 35 @ 1 40; spirits turpentine quiet and firm at 34 1/2 @ 34 1/4.

Emin Pasha reports that he has discovered a new river in Africa flowing into Lake Albert Edward Nyanza.

A Boston paper propounds the following conundrum: "What is the difference between stealing and rehy-potheication?" They are spelled differently.

Gov. Buchanan, of Tennessee, has concluded that the recaptured convicts must be returned to the coal mines if it takes the last able-bodied man in the State, including the convicts, to get 'em there.

Osman Digna, who has been killed a number of times in the past eight or ten years, is now reported at the head of an army of Arabs on the upper Nile. Osman is a man who evidently does not like to stay dead.

The experts who have examined the brain of the man who decapitated himself in the effort to blow up Russell Sage have come to the conclusion that he was insane for some time previous to his death. That's the time most men generally become insane.

The Paris thief is no slouch. A gang of them not only succeeded in robbing a house a few nights ago, but took the house to pieces and stole that too, and so quietly that they disturbed neither the slumbers of the police nor of the people in the neighborhood.

A Wyoming ranch man is so anxious for a wife that he advertises for one and is not particular about her looks, her age, her money, or her skill with the skillet, as he is considerable of an artist in the cooking line himself. He only wants some one to cheer him up and divide the solitude with him as it were.

It looks as if President Harrison may lose that Cape May cottage which was presented to him. When it was presented there was a mortgage on the lot, which has not been cancelled. The donor has since become bankrupt, and unless Mr. Harrison satisfies the mortgage the cottage must go under the sheriff's hammer to pay up claims.

A New York paper has come to the conclusion that "all the Speaker of the House of Representatives needs is a profound knowledge of the rules, inflexible integrity, large public experience, quickness, courtesy, courage, good humor, and a tranquil and judicial temperament." Tom Reed got along on a good deal less than that.

There was another blackthorn and paving stone discussion in Clare county, Ireland, Tuesday, between the McCarthys and Parnellites, in which Mr. Dillon caught a stone on the face—caught it on the fly, as it were. We don't know of any country where the fool killer could be better employed for about ninety days than in Ireland.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MUNSON & Co.—Don't forget. W. M. CUMMING—Your opportunity. STENOGRAPHER—Open for engagement. MASONIC—Meeting St. John's Lodge.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Primarily to People and Pointedly Printed.

Mr. W. J. Penny, who has been on the sick list, was out yesterday. Mr. H. V. Leavitt, agent for "Country Cousins," was in the city yesterday.

Mr. C. J. Elwell, of Laurinburg, is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. J. D. Nutt, who has been sick for some days past; was able to be out again yesterday.

Mr. John D. Bellamy, Jr., left for New York this morning on the 12:35 a. m. Northern train.

Mr. Louis Marines, of Onslow county, was among the buyers who called on wholesale merchants yesterday.

Mr. Geo. A. Peck, who had been gradually improving for several days, was not considered quite so well yesterday.

Messrs. J. F. Reynolds, Sherman, Pa.; H. E. Merrell, New York; J. A. Laggett, Norfolk, were among the arrivals at the Purcell yesterday.

Mr. Alfred Alderman who has been on the sick list for some time was able to be on the streets yesterday, much to the gratification of his many friends.

Mr. Edmund Lilly took his bed yesterday on invitation of Monsieur La Gripper. Last night he was reported wrapped up snugly with slight fever, but with no dangerous symptoms.

Messrs. W. H. Harris, W. A. Topping, New York; S. J. Frank, J. M. Raffel, Baltimore; W. J. Ready, Erie, Pa.; F. C. Wood, Cincinnati; W. W. Helen, Washington; J. L. Taylor, Brooklyn; T. H. Holmes, Richmond, were among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday.

Mr. H. R. Mather, lost car agent for the Norfolk and Western railroad, was a welcome visitor in the city yesterday. He says that thirty of the clerks in the Auditor's office of the road he represents, at Roanoke, are down with the "grippe."

The following were among the arrivals in the city yesterday: A. H. Adams, Durham; Guy C. Weswell, Southport; W. S. Barnett, Chase City, Va.; J. E. Hasset, Charleston; Miss L. A. Newsum, Goldsboro; P. Mangum, Waccola; B. Williams, Burgaw; E. S. Lathrop, Maxton; E. Porter, Rocky Point.

Fayetteville Observer: "Mr. Kirkland Huske, a native of this place, but who has for the past two years been with Brown & Roddick, of Wilmington, has decided to enter the ministry; and, after spending the holidays with his host of friends and relatives in this city, will leave for Berkeley Divinity School at Middletown, Conn."

Is This a Fraud?

Several persons residing in the eastern portion of the city think they have been victimized for small amounts by a pair of sharpers, who were ostensibly engaged in the business of making enlarged copies of photographs, etc. They gave printed receipts, of which the following is the substance:

This Ticket Entitles You to a Fine Crayon Portrait Free. The Pennsylvania Portrait and Enlarging Company, No. 139 Main Street, (up stairs), Norfolk, Va., hereby agrees to give you a fine hand-finished Crayon or India Ink Portrait, enlarged from any small picture which you may present, of same size and quality exhibited by our agents, or at our store, absolutely free, upon the payment of 50 cents for this ticket, to our agents.

Signed, Chas. Woods, 12-5-91. The Pennsylvania Portrait and Enlarging Co., Branch Office, 139 Main St., (up stairs), Norfolk, Va. Room 3, Strauss Building, Second St., Wilmington, N. C.

These tickets are issued for advertising purposes, and good only for thirty days.

The door of Room No. 3, Strauss building, Second street, has been closed for several days and a notice posted outside says: "Will open Monday, the 14th." But "Monday, the 14th," has come and gone and no one has yet appeared to clear up the mystery.

Wandering Waifs.

Three little children were lost in the streets of Wilmington yesterday, but happily before nightfall each was restored to its anxious parents. A child of Mr. Winner, the watch-maker, on Front street, was first reported lost and was subsequently found in the neighborhood of the Wilmington, Onslow and East Carolina Railroad depot.

Next, the little three-year-old child of Mr. Lee, Fourth and Church streets, wandered off, and was found some time afterwards down in the city by police officer Sneed. The third was the young son of Mr. King, living in the country, who left the boy at a cart house over the railroad, and when he returned from a visit down town found that the boy had disappeared.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

Police officers report the city never in a more orderly condition than at present.

It looks like there is money in peanuts bought at present prices and held a few months.

The apple crop was a large one, but those that retail at 2 1/2 cents each are not of that variety.

The Weather Bureau's prediction of cool weather by Thursday evening was fully verified, the temperature falling about 24 degrees during the day.

The Tyrolese Carnival extended its joys and sweets as far as the STAR office last night in the form of ice-cream and cake of surpassing richness and flavor.

Chas. Burnett, colored, charged with assault and battery, was tried and found guilty in Justice Bunting's court yesterday, but judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

Rev. T. A. B. Scherer, the Lutheran missionary in Spain, will preach in the Lutheran Church both Sunday morning and at night. The services will be in English.

There have been no very heavy investments in Wilmington real estate for some time, but the demand will be here before very long; and then some people will be astonished.

The Childs prohibition bill, which has passed the lower House of the South Carolina Legislature, and which has excited much interest in Wilmington, has been reported unfavorably by the Judiciary Committee of the Senate.

A new river steamboat is to be launched to-day at the mouth of Moore's Creek, on Black river. Preparations have been made for a large number of visitors to witness the launching, and an address will be delivered. The new boat will take the place of the steamer Delta on the Black river route.

Mr. Joseph L. Taylor, representing Denman Thomson & George Roger's "Two Sisters" Co., is in the city arranging for the appearance of the troupe here (at a matinee only) on Thursday, the 24th inst., Christmas Eve. The "Old Homestead," a great favorite with play-goers, is one of Denman Thomson's plays.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—733 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 96 bbls. rosin, 66 bbls. tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—499 bales cotton, 57 casks spirits turpentine, 147 bbls. rosin, 77 bbls. tar.

Carolina Central R. R.—358 bales cotton, 126 casks spirits turpentine, 362 bbls. rosin, 17 bbls. tar.

C. F. & Y. V. R. R.—36 bales cotton, 13 casks spirits turpentine, 220 bbls. rosin, 66 bbls. tar.

Wilmington, Onslow & East Carolina R. R.—24 bales cotton.

Steamer Cape Fear—10 bales cotton, 63 casks spirits turpentine, 256 bbls. rosin.

Flats and rafts—1 bale cotton, 13 bbls tar, 42 bbls. crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1,659 bales; spirits turpentine, 279 casks; rosin, 981 bbls.; tar, 239 bbls.; crude turpentine, 42 bbls.

Weather Forecasts.

The following are the forecasts for to-day:

For Virginia, fair Friday, colder Friday morning, followed by rising temperature, warmer on Saturday, north-east winds.

For North Carolina, fair Friday, followed by occasional rains Saturday afternoon or evening, northeasterly winds, slight change in temperature, except colder in central portion.

For Eastern Florida, showers, slightly colder in the northern, stationary temperature in southern portion, variable winds.

Excursionists Expected.

To-morrow, the 19th inst., a holiday excursion for the Farmers' Alliance and their friends will be given on the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to Wilmington, Carolina Beach, etc., from points along the line of the road as far West as Climax. The train is due here at 7:30 in the morning and will leave on the return trip at 5:30 in the evening. This will give the excursionists a day in the city with full opportunity to make purchases, visit the seaside, etc.

Christmas Notes.

There were some evidences of the Christmas season observable yesterday afternoon. The weather was cool, clear and bracing, the streets and stores were gay with feminine smiles and attire; and even the boys are beginning to examine jewelry, albums and chewing gum with an eye and a tooth to business. Trade may not be so good as last year, but you may bet on a "Merry Christmas" anyhow.

Rumors Exploded.

U. S. District Attorney Cook left last evening for Columbus county. He informed a STAR representative who met him yesterday and found him a very pleasant gentleman, that the rumors connecting him in any way with the First National Bank, on his recent visits here, were without foundation in fact.

TYROLESE CARNIVAL.

Second Night and Conclusion of a Most Enjoyable Entertainment.

The second night of the Tyrolese Carnival was even grander and more successful than the first night. There were many additions to the decorations. The two nights, taken together or separately, were a success, both financially and socially.

The following named ladies took part in last night's concert. The singing, by the way, was exceptionally fine, as was the instrumental music, and several of the songs were loudly encored.

The Gypsy Cantata—Mrs. H. D. Burkheimer and twelve young misses. Female Quartette, by the Misses Minnie, Schwarz, E. Bissinger, Kate Stotler and Maggie W. Peschau.

Vocal Solo—Tyrolese Airs—Miss Minnie Schwarz. Piano Duet—A. P. Adrian and Miss E. C. Adrian.

Tyrolese Child Song—Little Miss Hannah Schwarz. Haydn's Toy Symphony—By Miss Schwarz's Female Orchestra, assisted by four young gentlemen.

Vocal Solo—Miss Annie Stotler. Female Quartette—The Misses Annie and Kate Stotler, E. Bissinger and M. W. Peschau.

A number of fine selections by the Germania Cornet Band.

The Tyrolese or female orchestra consists of the following young ladies and they played their part as follows:

J. H. Rehder on the cornet, and Miss E. Bissinger; Alto Cuckoo, Miss Kate Stotler; Nightingale, Miss Maggie Peschau; Quail or German Wachtl, Miss A. Ulrich.

Instrumental Imitations—Triangle, Miss Annie Stotler; Chimes, Miss Mamie Schulkens; Rattle, Miss Lizzie Otten; Trumpet-player, Miss L. Peschau; Piano Accompanist, Miss Eliza C. Adrian; Directress, Miss Minnie Schwarz.

The ladies were assisted by Messrs. J. Schwarz and Wm. Schmidt on the violin, J. H. Rehder on the cornet, and E. Schulkens on the drum.

One of the attractions which excited a great deal of interest was the voting for the handsome baby. The prizes were two very large and handsome dolls—one dressed in a silk wedding dress, which was won by Mrs. Dudley Burkheimer's little baby, and the second prize by Mrs. C. Polvoigt's.

Mr. M. J. Dinglehoff offered two prizes—one to the lady making the best shot at the shooting gallery, and the other to the gentleman making the best shot. The lady's present, a very handsome silver car receiver and a tripod, was won by Mrs. J. G. L. Gieschen. The silver drinking cup and case was won by Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen.

Another prize was a gold-lined kettle, awarded to Mr. Geo. Heyer for best marksmanship.

After the presentation of prizes the much enjoyable carnival closed, but to give a great many persons an opportunity to attend, who up to this time have been unable to do so, the committee has decided to repeat the concert this afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock. The price of admission has been reduced one-half, and corresponding reductions will be made in other prices. Some very fine music may be expected.

IN NEED OF LABOR.

Georgia Turpentine Men Seeking Low Rates for North Carolina Help.

The naval stores men of Georgia are in correspondence with the officials of the railroads leading into Savannah, says the News of that city, in the interest of securing a special rate for turpentine hands coming south from December to March. Owing to the enforcement of the North Carolina law against soliciting labor emigration the naval stores men will not be able to go to North Carolina to bring down their own labor after the holidays, as they have done heretofore.

As there will be no difficulty about securing laborers if the opportunity is offered the negroes to come, the naval stores men think that if the railroads will give them a very low rate they can secure all the labor needed.

There is no doubt that the naval stores men will be in need of more labor than they will be able to secure if they cannot manage to import labor from North Carolina. The South Carolina Legislature is now considering the passage of a labor law similar to that passed by the North Carolina Legislature with the same end in view, to prevent coming into the State and carrying off the labor.

The naval stores men may be compelled to cut down their operations for next year.

More Cases Against John C. Davis.

Up to last night five warrants in all had been issued against John C. Davis, now in the county jail awaiting a hearing next Tuesday on the first warrant, charging him with obtaining money on false pretences. The other four, issued by Justice R. H. Bunting, were served on the prisoner yesterday by the sheriff. The complainants in these cases are Mrs. Emily J. Fanning—two cases—in both of which false pretence is charged, and Mrs. Nancy Dixon—three cases—charging defraudment, John C. Davis, with false pretence, forgery and perjury.

Yesterdays' Weather.

The records of the Weather Bureau give the following report of the range of temperature, etc., yesterday: At 8 a. m., 45°; 8 p. m., 44°; maximum temperature, 54°; minimum, 44°; average 49. Prevailing wind, north. Total rainfall, 0.

COTTON FACTS AND FIGURES.

Spot cotton quiet in New York; middling uplands 7 15-16c.

Net receipts of cotton at all U. S. ports yesterday, 48,308 bales.

Middling cotton is quoted dull at 7 3/4c; quotations same date last year, 8 3/4c.

Wilmington's receipts of cotton yesterday, 1,659 bales; receipts same day last year, 429.

Futures closed easy and lower in New York. December opened at 7.57, and closed, 7.51; January, 7.68, and closed, 7.61; February, 7.85, and closed, 7.77; March 8.01, and closed, 7.92.

Augusta Chronicle: The fallacy of the one-crop idea has never before been so forcibly impressed upon the farmers of the South as it has this year. From all sections come reports of a prosperous year, abundant crops and no scarcity of money. The South alone suffers for want of money. The enormous cotton crops of the past years have exceeded the demand, and the price has fallen disastrously low. In contrast to the low price of this staple is the increase in the cost of food products, and the Southern farmer is to-day paying more for his provisions than his cotton is bringing him. Instead of money coming into this section for the products of our farms, the people are paying out more than they make in order to live. This is the situation in the States that are richest in natural resources and agricultural lands.

The Liverpool Post, after referring to increased crop estimates, says: "Nothing remains, therefore, but to wait the developments of the crop movements. In the meantime those who are interested in a further decline take good care that the market is well posted, not only in what is taking place, but in what is likely to take place, and that they are not very scrupulous as to the means adopted for giving influence and currency to their advice."

Aside, however, from the speculative reports calculated by parties who have an axe to grind, the known facts of the situation are not of an alarming character. The actual movements of the crop are shaking faith in all estimates under 8,000,000 bales, and (in the words of the oft-repeated formula) there will be no change of opinion on this point until the deliveries from the plantations begin to shrink. It is true that prices are very low, but low prices do not of themselves encourage buyers; on the contrary, they are rather apt to encourage sellers, and it may be taken for granted that, in accordance with all previous experience, buyers will not become eager operators until they are strongly of the opinion that the article they want to purchase is about to advance in price.

RAILROAD NOTES.

The Corre de San Luis is responsible for the following: A young American lady, whose husband was killed in a railroad accident and who had been indemnified by the company in the sum of \$10,000 for the loss, afterward learning that a passenger who had lost a leg in the same wreck was paid \$20,000, went to the company to complain of the injustice done her in the settlement. "How is it," she asked, "that you pay \$20,000 for the loss of a leg and have only given me \$10,000 for the loss of my husband?" "Madam," responded the polite official, "the reason is very simple; \$20,000 would not provide the poor fellow with a new leg, whereas with \$10,000 you can obtain a new husband whenever so desiring, and he may be an improvement on the one lost." The young woman blushed furiously and retired, well pleased with the explanation.

Savannah News: One hundred employees of the Central Railroad shops were discharged last night. The discharges were made in accordance with instructions from the headquarters of the Richmond and Danville system, ordering a reduction of 25 per cent. in the shop employees of the entire system. Savannah mechanics are, therefore, not the only sufferers. Wherever the Richmond and Danville has shops 25 per cent of the working force was cut off last night. The discharges here were in the machine shop, blacksmith shop, car shop, paint shop and the other smaller shops of the road. The list of men who were to go by the board was made up yesterday, and Master Mechanic Antz had them notified verbally in the afternoon. This morning the discharged employees will receive their checks. The cut affects mechanics earning from \$3 per day down, and Mr. Antz said \$2 would be a fair average to put down for the wages. This is a loss to Savannah's workmen of \$200 a day—\$1,200 per week. "Is the cut necessitated by lack of work?" Mr. Antz was asked. "No; it is for the purpose of cutting down expenses. Still, at this season of the year we can manage to get along and do the work with 300 men, because all the stock is in fairly good condition. Of course, the same amount of work cannot be done as with the full force, but I hope the cut is only temporary. We all feel sore over the situation, from the general manager down, but of course we have to obey orders. The wholesale discharge of the mechanics is a hardship just at this time of the year, in the midst of the holiday season, when the men were least expecting it. The reduction is in the line of the retrenchment by the Richmond and Danville management."

The Cat Out.

The Charlotte Chronicle of yesterday has an article headed "Let There be a Strong Kick. Railroad Changes that Will Greatly Inconvenience our People." It refers to a contemplated change of schedule on the Carolina Central Railroad. The STAR knew all about it, but was requested to defer any comment, as the change might not be made after maturer consideration. Our contemporary "at the other end of the avenue" is assured that if the proposed changes are made all the patent kickers down this way will join it in the fight, and if necessary forty thousand Kentucky mules will be pressed into service for the war. It is hoped that old Aunt S. A. L. will put on her "thinking cap" again.

The Orange Crop.

The Savannah News says the prospect for cheap oranges is very good just now. The fruit dealers report the fruit selling very low, with a big crop to be disposed of. Oranges are now bringing from \$1.25 to \$2.00 a box at retail, which is unusually low.

One of the reasons given for the low prices is that last year Northern and Western buyers went heavily into the Florida market, buying the fruit in the fields and running the prices up on each other. The consequence was that they lost thousands of dollars, and this year they have held off. A leading fruit dealer said yesterday that the orange growers would not realize an average of 75 cents a box for their oranges this season.

The First National Bank.

There have been no recent developments as to the status of affairs at the First National Bank of Wilmington, which since its suspension has been in the hands of Mr. Alden, bank examiner. But last night an Associated Press dispatch was received from Washington, D. C., which says:

"The Comptroller of the Currency today received a telegram from the examiner in charge of the First National Bank of Wilmington, N. C., saying that the bank is practically insolvent, and suggesting the appointment of a receiver to wind up its affairs. The Comptroller will appoint a receiver in a few days—probably to-morrow."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STENOGRAPHER OF EXPERIENCE IS OPEN for engagement January 15. Good references furnished. Address, "STENOGRAPHER," care General Delivery, Raleigh, N. C. dec 18 91

St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M. AN URGENT COMMUNICATION FOR THIS WEEK in the Second Degree will be held (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to visiting brethren in attendance. WM. M. FOISSON, Sec'y. dec 18 91

Do You Know

THAT BUNTING'S DRUGSTORE IS THE best place to have your Prescriptions and Private Medicines prepared? Best quality, fresh goods, and moderate prices are the ruling principles. Personal attention to every detail. J. HICKS BUNTING, Graduate in Pharmacy and Licensed Druggist, Y. M. C. A. Building, Wilmington, N. C. dec 18 91

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AND PLOWMAN'S SUPPLIES, FOR SALE BY GILES & MURCHISON, JOBBER. dec 9 91

W. W. W.

EVERYBODY WELCOME AT No 7 SOUTH FRONT STREET. A. PREMPERT, Barber and Hair Dresser. dec 29 91

Your Opportunity

IS SHORT FOR BUYING The Mattress Business. I WILL EITHER SELL CHEAP FOR CASH IN TWO OR THREE DAYS, OR CLOSE A TIME TRADE NOW PENDING. I offer a well established and thoroughly advertised MANUFACTURING BUSINESS, with good will, stock and stand, Wagon, Machines and Furniture, very cheap for cash. W. M. CUMMING, dec 18 91

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

JHN WILDER ATKINSON, President. W. F. TOOMEY, Cashier. DEPOSIT YOUR SAVINGS IN THIS INSTITUTION AND SECURE INTEREST ON SAME. Every dollar deposited is fully secured by Real Estate or other undoubted security. No investment can possibly be safer, and few can afford equal advantages with this. Interest allowed on all sums of FIVE DOLLARS and upwards. dec 16 91

DON'T FORGET

THAT WE CARRY A FULL LINE OF THE Monarch Shirt, Unlaundered, AND THE "IMPERIAL," UNLAUNDERED, THE BEST. Shirt for One Dollar Sold. A NEW SUPPLY OF Neckwear, Rich in Design and of Superior Quality, CHILDREN'S SUITS AND EXTRA PATNS AT VERY LOW PRICES. Munson & Co., OUTFITTERS. dec 18 91

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CASH HOUSE

M. M. Katz & Son.

DRY GOODS.

HAVE YOU GUESSED ON THE BEAN

JAR?

If you have not you should. All purchasers entitled to a guess. The one guessing the nearest number of beans in the jar will be awarded a \$25.00 prize December 31, 1891, at 9.30 p. m.

The holiday spirit pervades the Store. We challenge our record always—there is no other comparison. The holiday spirit of 1891 takes up the gauntlet and proposes to hold against all comers, the claim that this of all store's seasons is the best. And it ought to be. Centers have been searched for all that is new. The results are here, the biggest, freshest, brightest stock of things for utility and beauty. We feel gratified in realizing that this intelligent, keen public understands us and our work.

Tributes to fine trading: Four qualities Lyons 40-inch Black French Henriettes, the best and heaviest goods made, go on our counters Monday morning, 63c, 75c, 90c and \$1.10 per yard meaning a reduction of 25c on every yard sold. Blankets at cut prices. Comforts at cut prices. Linens at cut prices. Domestic at cut prices. Silks at cut prices. Cloaks at cut prices.

In fact we offer you a feast of bargains during the coming week, and all judicious buyers will not fail to take advantage of it.

M. M. Katz & Son,

CASH DRY GOODS HOUSE, 116 Market St., Wilmington, N. C. dec 18 91

This Christmas!

Economical Buyers will doubtless put their money in articles that are useful as well as attractive in appearance. Go to

BROWN & RODDICK'S

AND GET A Nice Dress I A GOOD PAIR OF KID GLOVES A Half Dozen Pair of Silk Hose. A FINE SILK UMBRELLA, A Nice Cossamer OR A FINE TRUNK.