

reduction of 25c on every yard sold. dicial sword flashed justice in two cases. Blankets at cut prices. M. J. Swinson, charged with the dead-Comforts at cut prices.

Linens at cut prices.

Domestics at cut prices.

cold. -N. Y. markets: Money easy at 212 03 per cent., closing offered at 3 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 15-16 cents; middling Orleans 8 5-16 cents; Southern flour quoted duli, wheat lower, irregular and active; closing steady; No. 2 red \$1 051/200 1 05% in store and at elevator, and \$1 0634@1 0734 afloat; corn opened weaker and closed steadier and active: No. 2 544 @551 cents at elevator and 55% @561s cents afloat; rosin quiet; strained, common to good, \$1 35@1 40; spirits turpentine quiet and steady at

There may be some amusement in killing Indians but it is expensive. The last Sioux festivities cost this Government \$1,200,000.

Exchange will be held to-day at noon The toughest man we have read to consider the matter of closing the

worth, and that it might require six months to obtain complete information on these matters. That any

seems at his best on these occasions and is most highly thought of by those in charge of this feature of the work, as well as by the sailors and others who at-

There must be a leak somewhere in the bottom of Lake Ontario. It is said to have got so low that it would take 2,541,000,000 tons of water to bring it up to its usual level.

China is mad at this country and says she will not send an exhibit to the World's Fair. If China gets mad enough to quit sending tea over here what would our U.S. Senators do for "cold tea."

Young Jim Blaine- says he can't pay alimony to his wife because he is only earning \$60 a month as a clerk in the Pennsylvania railroad office in Philadelphia, and for the same reason also he can't pay his debts.

The grip has of late been unusually fatal to aged people in Philadel phia. Last week the Ledger record: ed the deaths of forty-eight persons over the age of eighty years, the largest number of aged people recorded in any one week.

Milwaukee is hustling to secure the next National Democratic Convention. In addition to an excellent article of beer, she guarantees \$100,000 to foot the bill. Milwaukee is called "The Cream City," but there's nothing cheesy about her.

Virginia, Kentucky and Ireland show up well in the motherhood of American statesmen. Virginia, Kentucky and Ireland are great States, but Ireland just now seems to be giving more of her attention to smashing the heads of her statesmen than to turning out more.

Notwithstanding their political differences Senator Hoar hooks onto his nephew, Representative Hoar, and they breakfast together once a week. The next thing that young man knows, if he isn't careful, the old man will have him devouring codfish balls.

The Georgians are talking of erecthg a monument to Eli Whitney, the inventor of the cotton gin. At the base of this monument should be a statue of the sheep which went through the briar patch, and doubtless suggested the idea of the cotton gin.

Gov. Hill, of New York, is quoted

Australia. He not only survived the bite of a venomous snake, but injections of strychnine, then strychnine, ammonia and brandy, then galvanic shocks, resulting in congestion of

the brain, and finally cupping and bleeding. The snake bite or the man that could stand all that is entitled to go up head.

Poor old England is having a country. rough time. She has been buffetted by a succession of fierce storm that have swept her coast, now she is frozen up and in addition to this is covered with a fog which turns day into night, which the disgusted Briton pronounces "beastly," and which makes him miserable.

A Russian doctor traces the grip back to the ninth century. He says it meanders around for three or four years and then retires from business for twenty years or more. It may be some comfort to those who have wrestled with it that it will give them a rest for twenty or more years

before it tackles them again.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MUNSON & CO.-Get on: NOTICE-In regard to fire-arms. WANTED-Board in private family. PERSONAL PARAG RAPHS.

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Prince pally to People and Pointedly Printed.

- Col. T. Hall McKoy is just up from the grip.

- Mr. B. L. Kelium, of Jacksonville, is in the city.

- Mr. R. J. Durham, of Burgaw, visited the wholesale merchants yesterday.

- Mr. J. H. Maxwell, of Whiteville, was buying of the wholesalers yesterday.

- Mr. G. H. Connor, of Town Creek, was replenishing his stock yesterday.

- His many friends regret to learn that Col. B. R. Moore is down with the grip.

- Mr. J. H. Montague, a prominent farmer and merchant of Long Creek, is in the city.

- Mr. S. A. Spaulding, of Elkton, was purchasing his stock of Christmas goods in the city yesterday. - Mr. Willie J. Bellamy, a student

of Horner's Military School, is at home to enjoy the Christmas festivities.

of for some time is a resident of Exchange Saturday as well as to-morrow.

- The Mayor has suspended the ordinance against firing Canton crackers or other fireworks from today to the first day of January, inclusive.

- It is not true that Mr. Henry Newman, the comic mirth-producer, has gone to Philadelphia to star as a comedian. He only took a trip in the



Yesterday.

Carolina Central R. R.--143 bales cotton, 100 casks spirits turpentine, 196 bbls. rosin, 9 bbls. tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.-138 bales cotton, 76 casks spirits turpentine, 352 bbls. rosin, 107 bbls. tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

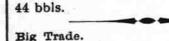
Wilmington & Weldon R. R.-553 bales cotton, 13 casks spirits turpentine, 63 bbls. rosin, 46 bbls. tar, 3 bbls. crude turpentine.

C. F. & Y V. R. R.-75 bales cotton, 44 casks spirits turpentine, 145 bbls. rosin, 57 bbls. tar. Steamer D. Murchison-111 bales cotton, 34 casks spirits turpentine, 103 bbls.

rosin, 157 bbls. tar, 37 bbls. crude turpentine. Schooner Mary Wheeler-9 bales cot-

ton. 23 casks spirits turpentine, 50 bbls. rosin. King's Flat-107 bbls. rosin. Sharpie Nancy Ann-17 bales cotton,

82 bbls. tar. Total receipts-Cotton, 1,066 bales; spirits turpentine, 290 casks; rosin, 1,016 bbls.; tar, 458 bbls; crude turpentine,



Tuesday was a day that did the heart of retail dealers real good and many of the wholesalers wore broad smiles of contentment. The retail stores were crowded from an early hour until late at night. All the clerks were busy and the

ning shekels at night. And this all brightened and filled out with gladness many a man who feared the stringency of money would make trade unusua'ly short.

day than during any day in the past five

counted for the unusually large trade on

A Small Fire.

figures given now are mere guess work with anybody, and no data were

now known that would enable one to make a fair estimate. He did not know in what amount the cashier was a defaulter, if at all; he might be to some extent on the face of the facts. He commended the course of the STAR in

its various publications regarding the bank suspension. Another thought all speculations

wild as to what amount depositors would get, or how much shareholders will be assessed, that there were

no facts to go on now known except the discrepancy of \$100,-000. Then he stated that the

list of stockholders had been carefully examined and it was stated to him that at least two-thirds. if not three-fourths of them were absolutely responsible for any assessments that would be made upon them. He thought the cashier might be a defaulter to some extent on the facts, that the discrepancy has existed for years and was made to "float" the bank. He then said to the reporter, "state that the course of the STAR has been talked of among

us and has been highly commended for not reporting wild rumors to make further distrust in the community.

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January 1st.

wind and temperature.

recognized quarantine signal.

of the observer.

Another had strong hope of depositors receiving a larger percentage of their claims, in any event, than had been stated in publications-not in the STAR -to-wit: about 60 per cent; that he had claims against the bank and expected to get a great deal more than that. He

thought the statements of the cashier to the Board of Directors wrong for being inaccurate, but he did not know that there was any proof of default. He could not form an opinion of the

ceive, but thought recent publicationsnot in the STAR-with regard to the liabilities of stockholders "misleading and not strictly accurate." Ending, he affirmed, with some emphasis, that he thought the course of the STAR very

praiseworthy in not publishing rumors that are never reliable. This ended the interview. In view of the fact, stated above, that

a large majority of the stockholders are amply able to pay any assessment that can be made upon them under the law governing national banks, it would seem that the outlook for creditors is brighter than has been supposed.

Santa Claus. The popping of fire-crackers, the bleating of the wild bazoos and the smiting of the howling hugags by the irrepressible small boy, accompanied by his Indian yells, last night told the story. Christmas is about upon us. The name of the aforesaid s. b. was legion and he was

doing his best, his very best, to ring

ly use of "brass knucks" on George Coletend the services every Sunday afterman, was adjudged guilty and bound noon.

over to the Criminal Court. From Maj. McKoy, the polite superin-Ben Houston, for plain assault on Eutendent of the reading room, comes the gene Stanford, was adjudged guilty and following report of the attendance last judgment suspended upon payment of week: Sunday 94, Monday 61, Tuescosts. Failing to pay, he was committed day 47, Wednesday 33, Thursday 34, to jaıl. Friday 38 and Saturday 57, making a total of 364 sailors who visited the room

Christmas at the Postoffice. during the week: of which number 72 The Postoffice will be closed on Fri-

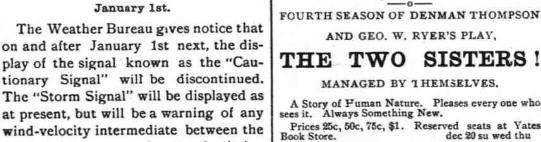
and at 4 p. m.

were Americans, 81 English, Scotch or day, 25th inst., (Christmas day), as on Irish, 109 Norwegians, 56 Germans, 38 Sundays, except that the general deliv-Swedes, 5 Italians and 3 Danes. Newsery will be open till 10 a. m., and the papers and magazines in the languages carrier's window open from 9 to 10 a.m. of all these nationalities are in constant The carriers will make one delivery at demand by the men, who seem also to 6 a. m., and two collections, at 5 a. m. greatly appreciate the free stationery

which is allowed them for writing letters home, stamps being furnished on Christmas Entertainment. the spot and the letters posted by the The Bladen Street M. E. Sunday superintendent. The above stated at-School will give an entertainment of a tendance is all the more remarkable varied and most enjoyable character from the fact that at present there is Christmas eve. It is a deserving school but one foreign steamer in port. It is and should be liberally patronized.

with regret that it is learned that the burden of the support of this most de-- Very little news has been reserving of Wilmington charities is borne ceived from the Brunswick election in almost entirely by one member of the addition to that given by the STAR yesterday. It is conceded, however, that

The cause is one that calls for the asthe proposition to subscribe \$100,000 to sistance of all citizens and especially of the B. W. & S. Railroad was defeated. commercial men, who owe much to it in return for the steady and encouraging NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. improvement it has effected in the condition of the maritime population. OPERA HOUSE. THE WEATHER BUREAU. Matinee Only! Christmas Evel Changes in Signals Displayed to be Made



present cautionary and storm justilying velocities; at Wilmington from 23 to 30 NOTICE miles an hour, according to direction of IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY ORdinance prohibiting the firing of Canton crackers or At all wind-signal stations the red pennant will be used for the "Informaother firewords will be inoperative from the 24th day tion Signal," instead of the yellow penof December to the 1st day of January inclusive. nant, and at stations where "Cautionary Provided, however, that no firecrackers of any char Signals" are displayed a red flag with a

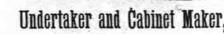
white centre will be used for the "Caustreet. The discharge of firearms within the city tionary Signal," instead of the yellow limits is strictly prohibited. flag with a white centre. This change is made to avoid confusion with the dec 24 1t

P. O. BOX 798.

Observers receiving notification of Board Wanted. the hoisting of cautionary or storm GENTLEMAN AND WIFE WANT BOARD signals at stations other than their own will, unless their own signals are flying, and two furnished rooms in priva'e family. display "Information Signals." These Address, stating terms, signals may be lowered at the discretion dec 24 1t

Press for Sale. A Play for the Ladies and Children. SECOND HAND HOE RAILWAY POWER





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minimum amount depositors would re-

money tills were rounded out with shi-

One druggist told a STAR reporter that he had taken in \$500 more money Tues-

years. Yesterday was more quiet, but still trade was remarkably good, especially with dealers in holiday goods. The city was filled with country people Tuesday and that, of course, ac-

that day.

An alarm of fire was rung in from box The beautiful drama "Two Sisters," is as saying that he will not accept in the glorious coming of Santa Press; size 31x46. Apply to Corner Second and Princess Street. - Messrs. Geo. W. O'Connor, No. 14, corner of Nutt and Brunswick play in which ladies and children find salary as Governor since his election Claus. Well, let the boys have their Harnellsville, W. M. Collins, H. W. Col-W. S. WAFROCK, streets, last night about 8 o'clock. The FURNITURE REPAIRED, CLEANED great delight. It is pure, elevated and as U. S. Senator, but will turn it fun, as Christmas comes but once a lins, Springfield, Mass.; A. J. Strauss, building in which the fire occurred was At the STAR Office. AND VARNISHED. dec 22 3t wholesome; simple and exquisite over to the State. As he is entitled to year, and the Fourth of July is usually Baltimore; R. D. Carver, Cincinnati; J. owned by Mr. Geo. L. Morton and occu-Undertaking a Specialty. pathos, pleasing musical specialties and BOYS? the salary of Senator from the 4th of too torrid for much hilarious exertion. S. Jones, Mrs. Dr. Curtis, Mrs. Smith, pied by his hostler, J. Carroll, colored, Orders from Country promptly attended to. Satisfaction guaranteed. Residence over Store. oct 11 tf. beautiful, new and special scenery, the The streets were alive with people who last March it is very proper that he Southport, were among the arrivals at who had not been in the house since 6 whole going to make up one of the most CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST UPON US, THEN seemed to enter into the joy and spirit should refuse either one. The Orton yesterday. o'clock yesterday morning. The buildenjoyable entertainments that theatre go to HAMME, THE HATTER, for a nice Holiof the occasion. Be reasonable in your - The following were among the ing was a one-story frame structure, of goers have ever been treated to. Every JUST RECEIVED day Hat, Soft or Stiff. Umbrellas, Canes and Rubsport, boys, while you are young, for arrivals in the city yesterday: R. W. four rooms. It was not insured, but the ber Coats. Latest Styles and Lowest Prices. Sir Edwin Arnold says the first one will be interested in the scenery which A FRESH LOT OF SELECTED FRUITS. when you get old you can't. Nixon, Jacksonville; W. H. Pyke, L. J. damage was slight. It is believed that thing necessary to becoming a jour-26 North Front Street. dec 20 tf is all new, representing scenes in New Pepper, W. S. George, M. F. Craig. T. the fire was the work of an incendiary. Nuts, Mixed Nuts, Candies, Ba-York City painted from photographs; nalist is to learn everything. If Sir Weather Forecasts. M. Morse, C. L. Stevens, Mrs. G. C. Boy Wanted. such as Central Park, the Union Square nanas and Everything Nice Edwin was to undertake to run the The following are the forecasts for - Mr. H. L. Fry, of Greensboro, A SMART BOY (NOT TOO SMART) IS Wiswell, Southport; A. W. Jones, Max-Hotel, and a birdseye view of New York for Christmas. journalistic pencil in this country General Superintendent of the Cape to-day : ton; J. B. Moore, Burgaw; C. H. Durlyn Bridge. Admission at usual prices and Job Presses. Good people don't forget to call and see me at 112 South Front street, Wilmington, N. C. ANTONY FANTOPULA & BRO. For North Carolina, South Carolina Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad, was in the first thing he would find it necesham, Rocky Point; A. F. Toon, Whiteand Georgia, showers, south winds driftthe city yesterday, registered at The sary to do would be to unlearn a ville; W. Nelson, Monroe; J. A. Brown, dec 19 1w for adults; children 50 and 25 cents. STAR OFFICE. dec 20 St ing to southwest, colder by Friday. good many things he has learned. Chadbourn; E. S. Lathrop, Maxton. Orton.