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RATES OF ADVERTISING. One Square One Day... \$1.00. Two Days... \$1.75. Three Days... \$2.50. Four Days... \$3.00. Five Days... \$3.50. One Week... \$6.00. Two Weeks... \$10.00. One Month... \$18.00. Three Months... \$48.00. Six Months... \$84.00. One Year... \$150.00.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. A. SPRINGER—Coal. R. R. BELLAMY—Open all day. OPERA HOUSE—Grand Concert. S. H. FISHELE—Fine clothing. C. W. YATES—Almanacs for 1892. H. L. FENNEL—Just what you want. CRONLY & MORRIS—Furniture at auction. M. M. KATZ & SON—Reduction in dry goods.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted. The cold wave signal was displayed yesterday at the Weather Bureau station. The woods around town yesterday were filled with gunners—but the "game" had got wind of their coming and scarcely a sparrow could be seen.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed. Mr. H. W. Carroll, of Bennettsville, S. C., was in the city yesterday. We regret to hear that Mr. Benjamin Bell, of the Messenger, is sick with the grip. Dr. E. W. Gasque and J. C. Mace, of Marion, S. C., were in the city yesterday. Mr. Ed. Huggins is in the city, spending a few days with his father, Mr. J. B. Huggins.

INFLUENZA—LA GRIPPE.

The Appearance of the Malady—Its Cause and Effects—Careful Sanitation May Restrict Its Ravages—Good Advice from a Physician. The reappearance of "the grip" with the appearance of cold weather bears testimony to its epidemic character and its probable origin from a specific germ. The STAR readers all know with what complacency they read the telegrams two years ago which told of its spread through Russia first, and thence rapidly over all Europe and Great Britain. This complacency was begotten of an experience with previous influenzas, all of which had prevailed slowly, many of them prevailing a whole winter in Europe, only to find a new field to range in this country in the following year. But, contrary to the course of its predecessors, this disease which has prevailed so generally throughout the western world since the winter of 1889-90, came rapidly into Europe—it is now confidently stated from Bokhara or Central Asia—and was first carried into Russia. Much of the country in Asia and all of lower Russia had in 1889 suffered from frequent floods, and the winter found the people surrounded with every condition to rapidly fertilize and spread the seeds of such a disease as the influenza. No doubt the increased facilities for rapid communication and the increased travel everywhere, afforded the means for the dissemination of the malady, and after it had found victims by the hundreds in all Europe, the quiet trust of it being delayed another year before we were to make its acquaintance was rudely shattered by its appearance in the northern cities of our own country.

THE ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

Work to be Begun in January—A Big Thing for Wilmington. The announcement made in the STAR of Friday morning of the close of the negotiations for the purchase of the Street Railway by a wealthy syndicate, was a nice Christmas present to the people of Wilmington, and one they must have appreciated very highly if their expressions of approval may be taken as a fair index. It was all the more gratifying because the impression had become almost universal that the negotiations had already failed.

COTTON FACTS AND FIGURES.

There is a strong disposition on the part of factors to advance less money to planters for next year's cotton crop. It is believed that the adoption of this plan will certainly result in a decrease of acreage. The Savannah correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution has interviewed the leading cotton men of that city with regard to the outlook. He found them all awaiting the developments of the new year with much anxiety. If the receipts continue proportionately as heavy as they have been up to this time, the market will be swamped and prices will tumble from seven cents, the present quotation for middling, and the lowest in forty-five years, down, perhaps, to five cents. Then it will be a case of "stand under," as a factor expressed it, and few people will want to have the staple even at that figure.

New York Bulletin: There is probably a more general inclination to assume that after Christmas the volume of movement will really commence to fall away, with strength to come into the market proportioned to the measure of shrinkage, but past experience makes all hands rather careful about depending upon small receipts until so revealed by actual record at all points. So far as can be learned, the actual consumer remains as a very indifferent operator, and there is said to be some very attractive tenders from the South meeting with neglect. The spot movement is light and no change in quotations has been considered necessary.

Extract from a letter of A. B. Shepperson to W. W. Gordon & Co., cotton factors, Savannah, Ga.: To secure any marked improvement in the price of cotton, the chief essential will be to give to the world some certain assurance that the present large stocks will be diminished in the near future, and not again augmented by another large crop in 1892. If such action should be taken at the South as to induce the belief that the acreage of the next cotton crop would certainly be materially reduced, a liberal advance in prices would almost certainly ensue. Spinners and merchants would not wait for the stocks to be actually largely diminished by reason of a reduced crop, but would discount the fact months in advance of its actual accomplishment.

Two Murders.

A passenger coming in on the Carolina Central Railroad informed a STAR reporter last night of two murders which occurred Christmas day in Robeson county. One was near Moss Neck. A white man, named Marson Britt, shot Jim Powell, colored, twice, killing him instantly. Britt was rigged up as a cooner and the shooting resulted from an old difficulty that occurred several years ago. It was said that no words passed between them at this time; that Britt rode up to Powell, dismounted and shot him down. The other murder reported is, that Lester Norment shot and killed a man by the name of Robertson, near Alfordsville; both are white men. It is said it resulted from whiskey drinking.

Fire on Front Street.

Friday afternoon, about 8 o'clock, fire was discovered in the basement of Messrs. Brown & Roddick's store on North Front street. An alarm was turned in by Police Officer Howell, who saw smoke issuing from the grating on the sidewalk. As soon as the hose reels arrived a stream was thrown into the basement through the grating; but the Chief of the Fire Department arriving, had the stream cut off, and upon forcing his way into the basement found the fire to be in a lot of loose paper which was probably ignited by a fire-cracker falling through the grating. The fire was speedily extinguished; the damage was slight.

Christmas Entertainment.

A pleasant entertainment was given at Bladen Street M. E. Church Friday evening last, under the direction of Mr. J. G. Darden, Superintendent of the Sunday School of the Church. Recitations were given and singing by the children, and after the close of the programme a number of pretty presents were distributed among the scholars by the Superintendent.

The Receivership.

Mr. W. S. O'B. Robinson, whose appointment as Receiver for the First National Bank has been announced, is expected here Wednesday. The amount of his bond has been fixed at \$35,000. Mr. Alden, the Examiner, will remain here two or three days to give Mr. Robinson the benefit of his experience, and will then leave for his home in Pennsylvania.

DIED.

MORSE—At Greenville Sound, December 24th, C. C. MORSE, in the 89th year of his age.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE.

Thursday, December 31st.

Grand Concert.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY. Clee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs.

Do not fail to hear these greatest of all College Clubs.

Cautionary Signals.

The cautionary northwest signals were ordered to be displayed here last night at 11.25. The storm was central in the lower St. Lawrence Valley. Northwest gales are indicated for the Atlantic coast to-night and to-morrow with a cold wave.

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The installation of the officers of St. John's, Wilmington and Orient Lodges, will take place in St. John's Hall on Monday evening, December 29th, at 8 o'clock.

A cow-shed on Mr. J. F. Maunders' premises in Brooklyn, caught on fire Friday afternoon, but was soon extinguished. The damage will not exceed ten dollars.

Business in police circles has revived wonderfully with the advent of the holidays. There was more drunkenness on the streets Christmas eve and the day following than for years past.

The officials of the Southern Express office in this city are Mr. J. R. Williams, agent; E. Brown, money clerk; J. J. Bowen, billing clerk; Ed. Helvering, delivery clerk; Sam. Northrop, assistant, and J. J. Long, shipping clerk.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Services at the Seaman's Bethel this afternoon, commencing at 3.30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. Pritchard. The public is invited to attend, and it will be gratifying to see all seamen and those interested in this work present.

St. James' Church, Sunday after Christmas—7.30 a. m., Holy Communion; 11 a. m., Morning Prayer and sermon; 4 p. m., children's Christmas service; 7.30 p. m., Evening Prayer and sermon. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Ushers will show strangers to seats. At night seats free.

The services in the Lutheran Church will be in German at 11 a. m., and at 7.30 p. m., in English. Scandinavian services at 3.30 p. m.

Rev. J. R. Sawyer will preach at the Brooklyn Baptist Church to-day, morning and night. Mr. Peele, the pastor, is sick.

LAST NIGHT'S FIRE.

A Dwelling on South Third street Partially Burned. About 8 o'clock last night fire broke out in a two-story frame building on South Third Street, between Nunn and Church streets occupied by Mr. R. N. Sweet. Two alarms were sounded—one from box 49, Fifth and Castle, and the other from box No. 48, Fifth and Orange.

The Fire Department responded, but owing to the delay in sending in the alarm the fire had got under good headway, and the roof of the building was burned and the upper story considerably damaged before the flames were extinguished. The damage is estimated at \$800. The house is the property of Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, and is insured for \$1,600, with Messrs. Hodges & Taylor. Mr. Sweet's furniture was insured for \$600, with Messrs. Smith & Boatwright. Most of it was removed from the building. Col. W. C. Jones, who occupied a room in the second story, had full insurance on his effects. The fire broke out in a room on the second floor of the building, from some unknown cause.

Princeton Glee Club.

The concert by the Princeton University Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will be one of the musical treats of the season. The Clubs this year are larger, more complete and better trained than any that have ever gone out from Princeton. The Glee Club alone carries twenty-three men, which is the largest college chorus in the world. The Glee Club will carry besides, warbler, whistler and soloists. The repertoire includes the famous songs of Nassau Hall and new and original melodies.

The Banjo Club is composed of thirteen men, all skilled performers, and the public may look for something great in the way of instrumental music. The Mandolin Club has but lately been added to the Glee Club. It is destined, however, to be an equal favorite. The sweet and entrancing strains of Spanish melodies are sure of an enthusiastic reception. Fourteen men compose this club, including eight mandolins, mandola, 2nd mandolin, violin, flute and guitars. The rendition of Andalusia alone is well worth the price of admission.

The Princeton Glee Club this year brings along a clever set of musicians, as fine a lot of amateur performers as can be found in the United States. They are a fine looking set of college boys, and put in their playing such vim and enthusiasm as only college fellows can.

OUTLINES.

Secretary Tracy says there is nothing threatening in the relations between the United States and Chili. Heavy snows in the Northwest. One thousand bales cotton were burned in the Dwight Mills at Chicopee, Mass., Thursday night. Capture and lynching of the Sims gang in Alabama. The revolution in Mexico. Edward M. Field declared insane. Total supply of cotton. Destructive fire in Chattanooga. Several persons killed. Loss half a million dollars. Speaker Crisp is sick with the grip. Arrest of a tramp in Georgia, supposed to be the New Smyrna (Florida) murderer. La Grippe is raging in Montreal, Canada. Trouble in the ranks of the nobility in Russia. Michigan Insane Asylum burned. Arrested for burning a dwelling near Goldsboro, N. C. Movements of United States war ships.

Russia's determination to back France in her demands upon Bulgaria, is not another assuring sign of peace.

Chairman Clarkson says the appointment of Elkins as Secretary of War was the result of an understanding. That's the way the country understands it.

Thomas Dunn English, Democrat, Representative in Congress from the 6th New Jersey district, is the author of "Ben Bolt." He is 73 years old, and a Democrat who never bolts.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Rep., remarks that "the truth always booms the Republican party." It may be remarked that the Republican party has not been boomed much lately.

Missouri is a very fertile State. One of her products to which she now points with pride is an eighteen-year-old girl, seven feet ten inches high, whose weight is 325 pounds, and who wears a No. 23 shoe.

Catarino Garzia, the gentleman who is running the insurgent business in Mexico, is not an unreasonable sort of a fellow. He agrees to suspend and retire for \$10,000 in cash or a Consulate in the United States.

The daughter of the late Dom Pedro, is said to have such a fine and well trained voice that she could if she would rival the leading vocalists upon the stage. If she ever gets pressed for cash she can go out and raise a few notes.

A pretended clergyman, whom the New York police took in a few days ago, had his wardrobe equipped with the necessary robes to play minister, priest or rabbi, as circumstances or the demand for his services might require.

Uncle Jerry Rusk announces that improved weather forecasts will be issued after Jan. 1. Well, we have been doing pretty well in the weather line down this way, but if Uncle Jerry will improve it in other sections we will not object.

It is said that 2,125 acres of land near Paris supply vegetables for nearly 2,000,000 inhabitants of that district and that a considerable quantity is shipped to London. That shows what gardening or farming on the intensive plan will do.

Dr. Keely says the reason why he does not make the formula of his bi-chloride cure public is that "the barkeepers would only use it to sober their customers up." Another good reason, perhaps, is the \$1,500,000 or so the Doctor is said to be making in doing the sobering up himself.

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Edward M. Field, of New York, has been judicially declared a lunatic, some banking firms having testified that they have for some time declined to do business with him because they did not consider him mentally competent to attend to business. This decision gives the Field family a lunatic, but believes it of a forger.

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Mr. John Gore, son of Mr. D. L. Gore, who has been attending the University at Wake Forest, is in the city spending his vacation.

Mr. J. Corbett, formerly connected with The Orton house in this city but who has been working in Florida for about a year, is in the city visiting his friends and relatives.

Miss M. E. Hollingsworth, San Antonio, Texas; T. P. Herbert, Washington; H. A. Riggs, Galion, Ohio; B. Eddy, Chicago; F. L. Hood, New York, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Capt. Geo. Morrison is the recipient of a handsome gold-headed cane, presented to him by the two clever clerks of The Orton, Mr. C. McLaughlin and Walter Perdue, as a token of their friendship.

Mr. J. D. Bell, the clever salesman for Messrs. Geo. R. French & Son, left last night for an extended Southern tour through South Carolina and Georgia. We hope him "good luck" and a pleasant trip.

The following were among the arrivals in the city yesterday: J. W. Crowell, Wilson; W. H. Pike, Southport; G. M. Brockman, Norfolk, Va.; J. E. Kelly, Southport; E. B. Wilcox, Rocky Mount; H. W. Carroll, Bennettsville; T. D. Haigh, T. R. Rose, Fayetteville.

A CHRISTMAS ROW.

A White Man Assaulted and Beaten by a Crowd of Black Negroes—One of his Assaults Badly Hurt. About 11 o'clock in the forenoon of Christmas day, while Mr. Geo. F. Chadwick, in company with his sister, was passing the corner of Sixth and Wooster streets, on their way home, they met five or six drunken negro men. One of the negroes staggered against Mr. Chadwick, who said to the negro, "Look out, my friend, there is a lady behind you!" when the man began cursing and struck him. Mr. Chadwick knocked the fellow down, when another negro attacked Mr. Chadwick and a regular fight ensued.

Miss Chadwick, hurrying to her home, about a block from the scene of the encounter, told her father, Mr. Robert Chadwick, of the trouble, and the latter, catching up his gun, ran to the assistance of his son, whom he found engaged in a desperate fight with three of the negroes. One of them, Monroe Toomer, had caught young Chadwick's hand with his teeth and refusing to let go, Mr. Robert Chadwick struck him with the breech of the gun, knocking him senseless and cutting a severe gash in his head. This ended the fight.

Yesterday it was reported that Toomer was dead, and some of his friends were making threats of lynching. Mr. Chadwick acting on the advice of friends reported at police headquarters in the evening and was detained there for protection against any mob violence.

Last night a STAR reporter learned from a brother of Monroe Toomer that Dr. Nash, a colored physician, was attending the injured man, and had reported him as improving.

Weather Forecasts.

The following are the forecasts for to-day: For Virginia, fair Sunday and Monday, much colder, temperature will fall about 30 degrees by Sunday night, high northern winds.

For South Carolina, generally fair, with cold wave, north winds, fair Monday.

For North Carolina, fair Sunday and Monday, preceded by showers in eastern portion, colder north winds, with cold wave.

A colored woman dropped dead from heart disease yesterday morning on McRae street.

Its progress in the United States since its first advent is a matter of history—but the tenacity with which it has lived and reasserted itself is still a surprise and a source of deep concern. It seems, at present, that the violence of the former years has been largely spent, and that the character of the disease as regards its dangers and its spread in communities has been ameliorated. However, it is not to be understood that care is no longer necessary on the part of individuals—either to escape the sickness, or having received the poison to rashly disregard the experience already so painfully secured. In the changes of weather that always exist at this season in our latitude, it is necessary to remember that due observance of these, and the accommodation of dress and person to the variation of temperature will go along ways toward securing an immunity from an attack of the influenza. This statement needs no further discussion; as its meaning is clear enough. But it does become necessary to urge upon the health officers to push forward all means at their command to keep the town clean and wholesome. Let no one suppose that a good hard freeze will serve as a barrier in the progress of an epidemic widely prevalent in our midst. Crisp wintry air may quicken our energies and in the apparently purified atmosphere seem to put all disease at rest in the freshness of the days and nights, but this will be a painful delusion if the officers of the sanitary corps should seek a rest, too, in the hope that a little frost and ice, and the magnificent sunshine of our climate is to do the work of the street cleaner and care for the health of the community. The individuals can keep their premises in order. It is their duty and their safeguard against sickness, and it is equally the duty of the health officers to set in order the streets and alleys. In the damp dirty towns of Eastern Russia the epidemic of influenza received its violent character and gave it force enough to maintain its stronghold on the civilized world, and its birth and early nurture serve as a fruitful lesson, if we will profit by it, to aid us in fixing some definite limits to the future existence of this calamity.

"Trust no future however certain." The present promise of a mild epidemic may be suddenly broken and only careful sanitation will secure us against a continuance of disease and its consequent embarrassments and discomforts. Its serious inroads upon health, and its apparent propensity for the more delicate of our people, especially the aged, to preserve as far as possible the best health attainable, and if the disease overtakes them to send for the doctor, that he may wisely regulate the treatment and what probably is quite as important, provide proper safeguards against a relapse after they are well, or set their outdoor life under such rule that they may escape from the tediousness that has made convalescence as painful a period as the days of the acute attack.

In the Mayor's Court. The following cases were tried before Mayor Kicad yesterday morning, and a nice lot it was, viz: John Larkins and Woodard Pearsall, charged with drunkenness, found guilty, but both discharged.

H. Davis, Annie M. Williams and H. Mosely, all colored, charged with disorderly conduct. Guilty; five dollars and costs each. They went below.

H. Simpson, colored, charged with using a deadly weapon on Julia Murray, colored, was bound over to the next term of the Criminal Court.

U. L. Nelson, charged with assault and battery with a knife on Peter Anderson, (both sailors) was continued on account of some witnesses being absent.

Holiday on the Wharves.

All places of business on the wharves, except a few retail stores and shipping and insurance offices were closed yesterday, and Water street had more the appearance of Sunday than Saturday. The Exchange was closed, and no market reports were received or sent out.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Articles can be seen on Wednesday, 29th inst., between the hours of 1 and 4 p. m.

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EMILY F. NORTHAM 586 "

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Long-winded buyers not wanted on any rates. The above is respectfully submitted for good cold weather.

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