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OUTLINES.

An American syndicate has purchased the Island of San Domingo, which will give the United States a harbor and coaling station. — Dr. Burton, a well-known Richmond dentist and inventor, died there yesterday. — J. N. DuBarry, Vice-President of the Pennsylvania Railroad, died yesterday. — Failure of a firm in Georgia. — Arrest of professional forgers in Alabama. — Capture of stiffs in Wilkes and Catawba counties, N. C. — Patrick Egan has an interview with the foreman of the grand jury in New York. — The Georgia Central and Richmond Terminal deal. — An alleged murderer taken from officers in Tennessee and lynched. — The postmaster at Philadelphia has resigned. — The impeachment trial of Judge Guber, of Georgia, resulted in his exoneration. — Washington news—Mexican marauders on Uncle Sam's soil; Justice Lamar; Chesapeake & Ohio S. S. Co.; Mr. Blain's condition; the committee to investigate the condition of the Treasury. — The cotton market—Hubbard, Price & Co's report. — The House only was in session yesterday; no business of importance was transacted. — Cholera at Hamburg. — Dr. Talmage's Church seized by the sheriff. — Woodbridge, who recently committed suicide in Richmond, was found to be short in his accounts. — Total visible supply of cotton. — A big fire in Brooklyn. — Gen. Wade Hampton will not enter politics again. — Foreign News—A sensation at Constantinople; the Panama Canal scandal; other items of interest. — Admiral Gherard's squadron. — The Supreme Court of Indiana has declared the apportionment law constitutional. — The alleged plot to kill non-union workmen at Homestead. — A tax collector in Alabama riddled with bullets. — New York market: Money easy; loaned at from 4@6 per cent; spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands at 10c; low middling 9 7/16c; good ordinary 8 3/4c; Orleans 10 1/2c; flour dull; wheat, spot sales of No. 3 mixed red winter 75 1/2c; corn—No. 3 mixed 52 1/2c; December 50 1/2c; spirits turpentine 90 1/2c @ 91 1/4c; rosin quiet and unchanged; strained quoted \$1.27 1/2c; good \$1.32 1/2c.

LOCAL DOTS.

Representative Harter, of Ohio, proposes to knock the bottom out of sugar trusts by imposing a duty of half a cent a pound on raw sugar, on which there is now no duty, while there is a duty of half a cent a pound on refined sugars. As the people do not use raw sugar the trusts get the benefit of the exemption from the duty, while the sugar users have to pay the tariff on the refined sugars which they buy, and of which the trusts have a monopoly. — One of the New York editors is offering a reward to some one to tell him the best way to "manage a wife." Our advice to the editor who asked that question is not to try to manage her, but if he wants to have a nice, quiet, social, Garden of Eden, seraphic sort of a time in his house, to let her manage him, and she can do it, if she is the right kind of a woman, a great deal easier than he can manage her. — Emin Pasha, who was meandering somewhere down in Africa last March, is reported killed again. But he has been reported killed so often that the public will not believe it until the announcement comes accompanied by the coroner's certificate, and by satisfactory vouchers that it is a sure-enough coroner who sat on him. — Senators Pepper, Kyle, Stewart and Hansbrough are outspoken in their condemnation of the Republican efforts to hold power in the Senate by stealing Senators from those Western States.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

The South's Tribute to Her Great Chief. At the assemblage of the Jefferson Davis Monumental Association at Richmond it was resolved that a committee of five be appointed from each State whose duty it should be to represent their State in the organization and to raise funds for the same. Accordingly the following committee was selected for North Carolina, viz: Maj. Gen. E. D. Hall (chairman), Maj. Gen. R. F. H. E. Hon. M. W. Ransom, Gen. Rufus Barringer, Col. M. O. Sherrill. — The time has come when this long-deferred tribute to one of the greatest of Americans is to be paid, Richmond, Va., the capital of the Confederacy, has been selected as the site most appropriate, and the design is such as to attest the admiration and love of the Southern people for the man who dared so much and suffered so much, as the typical representative of the South-land. It will be a monument not only to his memory but to the bravery, patriotism and superb devotion of the boys in grey, whose valorous daring is a world-wide story. — North Carolina, never wanting when valor, patriotism or duty called, has now an opportunity to show her admiration for her illustrious leader by co-operating in this noble work and sharing in the glory of its accomplishment. — In making this appeal to North Carolina, we feel that our words will not fall on listless ears and we know we do not speak in vain when we ask the patriotic co-operation of the noble mothers and daughters of the State whose more than Spartan devotion in the days of fiery ordeal nursed their sons and brothers to heroic action and chivalric daring. Inspired by their co-operation and stimulated by their zeal, the workers for this memorial of the Southland to her illustrious son, statesman and soldier have no fears of failure, nor doubts that it will be one worthy of him and of the people who rear it. — All persons or communities that have already collected funds for this noble purpose will please notify the chairman at once of the amount, and the disposition of the same, so that it may be referred to headquarters as soon as received. — E. D. HALL, Chairman. The State Press is requested to copy.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Saturday's Proceedings—A Resolution Concerning Self-Constituted Evangelists Adopted—A Strong Plea for Fifth Street Church, Wilmington, by Bishop Duncan—An Impetus Given to Plans for Relief. [Special Star Correspondence.] GOLDSBORO, N. C., Dec. 17th. The Conference met at 9.30 a. m. and was opened with religious services, conducted by Rev. P. L. Hermon. The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved. — The 20th question was called, and the following ministers passed the annual examination of character: J. B. Perry, D. A. Futrell, J. T. Lyon, A. D. Betts, F. B. McCall, N. M. Jurney, F. A. Bishop, G. W. Fisher, J. C. Underwood, D. L. Earnhardt, T. N. Ivey, J. M. Lowder, Jonathan Sanford, R. J. Moorman, M. J. Hill, L. L. Nash, F. B. Gattis, H. B. Anderson, L. Keen, B. C. Alford, J. M. Ashby, R. L. Warlick, A. R. Raven, W. H. Townsend, W. A. Forbes, T. J. Browning, C. P. Jerome, R. F. Bumpass, J. B. Hurley, P. L. Hermon, J. H. Hall, W. S. Black, E. H. Davis, L. E. Thompson. — J. C. Crisp passed the annual examination of character, and his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a supernumerary relation. — W. S. Chaffin passed the examination of character, and his name was referred to the committee for a supernumerary relation. — T. W. Guthrie, who was transferred to this conference from the Western North Carolina Conference, had his name referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for a supernumerary relation. — The Committee on the Bible Cause reported, and recommended that a collection be taken for this interest in the month of March. Rev. D. R. Law, District Agent for the American Bible Society, addressed the Conference. — The Board of Missions made a report and recommended a plan to apportion the missionary debt to the districts in the Conference. — Dr. Lambuth made an address that touched the hearts of all present. Dr. Lambuth is the son of a missionary, and was born in China. His father died in Japan this year, and was one of the most devoted missionaries ever sent out by the church. — A collection was taken to liquidate the missionary debt, and the Conference and congregation responded very liberally. — The Committee on Colportage reported, and Rev. T. J. Gattis, the agent of Colportage, addressed the body. — The committee appointed on the subject of evangelism made the following report: Your committee to whom the question of evangelism was referred recommend the following for adoption by the Conference. — Resolved, That we urge our ministers and laymen to adhere to the old Methodist usages in conducting their revival meetings; that when our pastors desire help they will arrange to aid each other in these meetings, and that we will discourage the sending of invitations to, and the employment of self-constituted and unauthorized evangelists, both in our denominational and union meetings. [Signed] F. L. REID, W. C. NORMAN, E. A. YATES, D. R. BRUTON, F. A. WOODWARD. — The report of the Committee was adopted. — Last night the Board of Church Extension held the anniversary meeting. Eighteen applications for help had been considered by the Board, and the entire amount raised was appropriated to help these needy churches. — Fifth Street Church was made a special object of the anniversary meeting. Bishop Duncan made a very strong speech in the interest of church extension, and a strong plea for Fifth Street Church, of Wilmington. Fifty-three bonds were sold, making \$1,800, and a collection was taken in addition to this, amounting to about \$75. The impetus given to the plans to revive this church assures success. The Conference is fully impressed with the importance of relieving Fifth Street Church. — The Conference resolved to hold an afternoon session, and when it adjourned it did so at 5 o'clock p. m. — Dr. Atkins was introduced to the Conference, and gave notice that he would address the Conference at a convenient time on a general interest. N. SUNDAY SERVICES. — St. Paul's Church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. F. Skinner, rector. Services (fourth Sunday in Advent) December 18th. Services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 8.30 p. m. All seats free. — Services at St. John's Church to-day by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, D. D., as follows: Holy Communion at 7.45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 a. m.; Evening Prayer at 5 p. m. Sunday School at 8.30 p. m. — St. Matthew's English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fourth street, above Bladen street. There will be no services to-day on account of the absence of the pastor; but the Sunday School will convene promptly at 9.45 this morning. — The services in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, corner Market and Sixth streets, Rev. F. W. E. Peschau, D. D., pastor, to-day will be held in English at 11 a. m. and at 7.30 p. m. in German. All are welcome at the services. — COLORED CHURCHES. — St. Mark's Church, Mulberry and Sixth streets, John G. Farcott, priest in charge. Services Sunday, December 18, at 7.30 a. m.; celebration; 11 a. m. matins, sermon and celebration; 7.30 p. m. evening song and address. — At the First Colored Baptist Church, corner of Fifth and Campbell streets, there will be preaching to-day at 11 a. m. At 1.30 p. m. the rite of baptism will be administered, at the foot of Queen street. Preaching at 3 p. m. and 7.30 p. m. Strangers welcome.

WILMINGTON WELCOME WEEK.

Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee—Meeting of Business Men Called. At a meeting of the Welcome Week Executive Committee held Friday night, the chairman submitted report, as follows: — In accepting the position as your chairman, I did it at a personal sacrifice, and also with some misgiving as to our carrying out our programme to a successful termination, owing to a combination of circumstances, but as you are well aware, we surmounted them, and (our Welcome Week of 1892 surpassed the previous one. Where all so well performed your part—greatly aiding and assisting by both time, money and advice—it may seem inappropriate to particularize, still I think you will all agree with me that special credit is due our worthy secretary, Mr. G. G. Lewis, to whose energy, push and perseverance much of the success of this carnival is due—and as chairman of the Executive Committee, I wish especially to thank him for the very efficient and extended work he has done in many ways. I would also acknowledge the zeal displayed by Mr. W. H. Carr, and thank him for the services rendered. — It is discouraging that we received no stronger support from the merchants, but few of them putting floats in our trades parade—making subscriptions small—and some refusing to subscribe anything—thereby throwing the burden on a very few of the more liberal while they reap the full benefit of the celebration. — Unless there shall be a greater interest developed I would suggest that we do not attempt it another year. While it is of great benefit to the city in many ways it is not right that a few should bear the burden which should be more equally distributed. I thank you one and all for the support you have so cheerfully given to me, and with this I tender my resignation as the chairman of your committee. — Respectfully submitted, GEO. R. FRENCH. — Chairman Will. Welcome Week. — On motion of Mr. Sharp, action on the resignation of Mr. French was deferred until the meeting of business men (to be called), when the terms of the entire committee will expire by limitation. — On motion, the chairman was requested to call a meeting of the business men on Tuesday next (20th inst.) at 8 o'clock at the City Court room, where a final report will be made. All are requested to attend, as it will be decided then whether to have another Welcome Week or not. — On motion the thanks of the committee were extended to Mr. Montague, manager of The Orton House, for many courtesies extended during the meetings. — The Magistrate's Meeting. — The magistrate's meeting yesterday, called to consider the matter of improving county roads, failed of a quorum—only fifteen of the justices were present—and on motion the meeting adjourned until Thursday next, the 22d inst. In this connection it may not be out of place to state that at a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Raleigh a committee was appointed to memorialize the coming Legislature to call together at the proper time and place a road congress for the purpose of improving the public roads in the State, the members of the congress to be appointed by the Governor, mayors of towns and chairmen of county commissions. — For the Christmas Holidays. — Mr. A. W. Watson has opened a store on Fourth street, corner of Brunswick—a branch of his business on Dock street—and has displayed toys and other goods suitable for the holidays. — BUSINESS LOCALS. — NOTICES FOR Rent or Lost, Found, Wanted, and other short miscellaneous advertisements, inserted in this paper for the first time, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 15 cents per line each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms, positively cash in advance. Fractions of lines counted as whole lines. — TRY This Department, if you wish to rent a horse, or have lost anything. Advertisements 15 cents per line each insertion. Terms, cash in advance. — PRINTING, Ruling and Binding of all kinds neatly and promptly executed at the STAR OFFICE. — FINE Horses—Thirteen new Montana Horses, just arrived. Two large pairs, and the balance fine drivers. Give us a call. For sale cheap by J. H. JONES & CO. — XMAS Opening at the Woman's Exchange, next Wednesday afternoon. Beautiful display of Christmas novelties; from 4 to 10 p. m. Refreshments. Public invited. — HOLIDAY Goods, &c.—A nice line of Holiday Goods to be had at A. W. WATSON'S No. 109, 108 Dock street, near Front street. Look for the sign. — NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. — Coal. COAL. — FOR NOVEMBER, viz: Schr. Kate Gifford, 300 tons, F. J. Lockwood, 300 tons, Thos. Clyde, 411 tons, 1890 total. — These cargoes are comprised of the Best Egg, Stove, Chestnut and Lump Coal in the market. No advance in prices, although coal is higher nearly everywhere else. — WOOD—300 casks Oak, Ash, Black-jack, Light wood, &c., of best quality and at low prices. nov 27 tf J. A. SPRINGER. — Grand Dramatic Temperance Cantata. — "Lost and Saved." — To be performed by the Pupils and Friends of St. Matthew's Parochial School. Under the leadership of Miss Lisette C. Hood. Proceeds to be devoted to Educational and Benevolent Purposes. — Opera House, Friday Evening, Dec. 30. General Admission 50 cents; Children 25c. Reserved Seats 25 cents Extra. Box sheet open at Yates' Book Store on and after December 26. Tickets for sale at the book stores, and by the friends and pupils of the school. dec 18 tf

OPERATION HOUSE.

MONDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 19TH. Hanging of the Crane. For the benefit of the Wilmington Library Association. Reserved Seats at Yates' on and after tomorrow. Price—Adults 50c; Children 25c. No extra charge for reserved seats. dec 18 tf — OPERA HOUSE. — Matinee at 2 P. M.—Evening at 8 P. M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21. The Favorite Petite Comedienne, LIZZIE EVANS, Presenting her new and successful Comedy Drama, THE LITTLE BLACKSMITH. — Every new song, dance and specialty. — Special attraction, costumes and effects. — SEE MISS EVANS MAKE A COMPLETE HORSESHOE in full view of the audience. dec 18 tf — Opera House. — THE ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN FRIDAY night will be repeated Tuesday, the 20th, at the request of several white gentlemen who want their families to see a first-class Cake Walk. — Prof. Lindsay, the Musical Prodigy, will perform on various instruments. — Fennar's Double Quartette will render sweet music. — Howe and Welden will sing for points. — Proceeds for charitable purpose. — Admission 50c. — JULIUS MURRAY, Manager. — St. John's Hall, — WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 18, 1892. — COMPANION—THE REGULAR CONVOCATION of Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will be held to-morrow (Monday) evening, at 8 o'clock. Election of officers. J. DICKSON MUNDS, Secretary. dec 18 tf — Fine Perfumes, — ELEGANT TOILET REQUISITES, — CHRISTMAS SOUVENIRS, AT — JAS. D. NUTT'S, — Respectfully submitted, dec 18 tf The Druggist. — PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS! — By using our Steam Cookers, Vutrizio Coffee Pots, Granite Ironware, Broilers, Roasters, Carving Sets, Cake Pans, Jelly Pans, Iron King Cook Stove, Elmo Cook Stove, Liberty Stoves and Ranges. Double Oil Stoves, with Ovens. Oil Stoves in Variety. Extra Low Prices on these Goods during this week. — Alderman Hardware Co., 29 South Front St., Wilmington, N. C. dec 18 tf — Large Stock of Goods FOR THE Spring Trade. — Merchants will do well to see us before purchasing Full line HARDWARE, TINWARE, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, LAMPS, &c. — Come and see us. Wm. E. Springer & Co., IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS Hardware, Tinware and Crockery. dec 18 tf — Overcoats I \$5 to \$8, Worth Double. — Toys, Toys, at Dissolution Prices. — Large variety of Goods suitable for X-MAS PRESENTS. — Street Clear fare paid on all purchases over \$2.00. — Respectfully, POLVOGT & REHDER, Telephone 118. dec 18 tf Fourth St. Bridge. — HOLIDAY GOODS — AT BROOKLYN BARGAIN STORE, CORNER of Fourth and Brunswick streets. Ladies and gentlemen will find a nice line of toys, &c., at A. W. WATSON'S Bargain Store, corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets. Cars will carry you right at the store door. Also, a nice line at store No. 109, Dock street, near Front street. dec 19 tf

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Opera House—Lizzie Evans. CAKE WALK—Tuesday night. JAS. D. NUTT—Fine perfumes. GEISEN BROS.—Billiard hall. A. W. WATSON—Bargain store. POLVOGT & REHDER—Overcoats. J. A. SPRINGER—Coal and wood. OPERA HOUSE—"Lost and saved." HEINBERGER—Christmas presents. W. E. SPRINGER & Co.—Large stock. MASONIC—Meeting Concord Chapter. J. L. BOATWRIGHT Co.—Seasonable goods. SNEED & Co.—Nice Christmas presents. BROWN & RODDICK—Do you know? OPERA HOUSE—Hanging of the Crane. ALDERMAN HARDWARE CO.—Prepare for Christmas. — PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. — Constant Paragraphs Parasitica Prima daily to People and Poinsettia Printed. — Messrs. R. M. Wescott, W. J. Newton, and Wm. St. George, of Southport were in the city yesterday. — Mr. Quince Moore, son of Col. Roger Moore, who has been attending school at the Rutherfordton Military Academy, is home spending the holidays. — Dr. Pritchard will preach only twice in this city before taking his departure for his new field of labor at Charlotte—to-day and next Sunday. He invites all to hear him to-day. — Mr. F. W. Dudley, traveling Freight and Passenger Agent for the Canadian Pacific Railroad, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Brazil, where he goes on business for company. — THE WEATHER. — U. S. DEPT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 18. — Meteorological data for twenty-four hours ending at 8 p. m. last night: Maximum temperature 68°; minimum temperature 51°. — Normal temperature for the day, deduced from twenty years' observation, 49°. — Departure from normal, plus 11°. Sum of departure since January 1st, 1892, minus 300°. — Rainfall for the day .04 inch. Total rainfall for the month up to date .72 inch. — BY RIVER AND RAIL. — Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday. — Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—448 bales cotton, 45 casks spirits turpentine, 807 bbls. rosin, 78 bbls. tar. — Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—367 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 9 bbls. rosin, 14 bbls. tar, 31 bbls crude turpentine. — Carolina Central R. R.—30 bales cotton. — C. F. & Y. V. R. R.—39 bales cotton, 46 casks spirits turpentine, 280 bbls. rosin, 77 bbls. tar. — Steamer D. Murchison—1 bale cotton, 53 casks spirits turpentine, 184 bbls. rosin, 65 bbls. tar. — Steamer A. P. Hurt—5 casks spirits turpentine, 21 bbls. rosin, 30 bbls. tar. — Steamer Elk—2 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 50 bbls. rosin, 3 bbls. tar. — Total receipts—Cotton, 879 bales; spirits turpentine, 169 casks; rosin, 831 bbls.; tar, 267 bbls.; crude turpentine, 31 bbls.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

At the Opera House Next Wednesday Afternoon and Evening. The well known comedienne, LIZZIE EVANS, supported by her own carefully selected company will present a play new to this city entitled "The Little Blacksmith." This play is from the production of Miss Martha Morton, who is also authoress of "The Merchant" and many other successful productions; and was written especially to suit the requirements of this little theatre. It is strong in action, full of telling situations and climaxes, and the dialogue is crisp, bright and very interesting. During the performance Miss Evans will turn, in full view of the audience, from a red hot piece of iron a complete horse shoe, and assisted by Mr. Frank Bell and Mr. Gus Paxley will present many pleasing songs, dances and specialties. This company is carrying all of its own special scenery and effects, and nothing has been left undone to make this production one of the cleverest of its kind. — Box sheet open Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock. — "The Hanging of the Crane." — Longfellow's most beautiful poem is to be represented by some of Wilmington's most talented ladies and gentlemen Monday night. Miss Gertrude Jenkins, most popular as an elocutionist, will recite the poem while the scene is presented. — Prof. Greenwald will delight the audience in his usual mastery way. The entertainment will be interspersed with music—solos and quartettes—by the best talent of Wilmington. The entertainment is given for the benefit of the Library Association. Be sure and secure your seats at Yates' early to-morrow. Prices, 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children, with no extra charge for reserved seats. — A Postal Thief Captured. — Junius H. Penny, clerk in the registry department of the postoffice in this city, who absconded last June and carried off with him several valuable packages—including a registered letter containing \$300 sent to Mr. Geo. W. Huggins of Wilmington—was captured by a detective of the Postoffice Department last Wednesday at Denver, Colorado. Penny will be brought to Wilmington for examination upon the charge of embezzlement and is expected to arrive here the latter part of this week. — Another Performance at the Opera House. — Prof. Lindsay, the colored musical prodigy, and his company, will give another entertainment in the Opera House next Tuesday evening. The "cake-walk" on a "grand scale" will be a feature, and the sparring match, which began Friday evening, will be concluded. The purpose for which these entertainments are given is to raise funds to enable Prof. Lindsay to secure treatment for a nervous affection. — Meeting of Cape Fear Div. O. R. C. will open to-day at 1 p. m., instead of 2.30.

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Fractions of lines counted as whole lines. — TRY This Department, if you wish to rent a horse, or have lost anything. Advertisements 15 cents per line each insertion. Terms, cash in advance. — PRINTING, Ruling and Binding of all kinds neatly and promptly executed at the STAR OFFICE. — FINE Horses—Thirteen new Montana Horses, just arrived. Two large pairs, and the balance fine drivers. Give us a call. For sale cheap by J. H. JONES & CO. — XMAS Opening at the Woman's Exchange, next Wednesday afternoon. Beautiful display of Christmas novelties; from 4 to 10 p. m. Refreshments. Public invited. — HOLIDAY Goods, &c.—A nice line of Holiday Goods to be had at A. W. WATSON'S No. 109, 108 Dock street, near Front street. Look for the sign. — NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. — Coal. COAL. — FOR NOVEMBER, viz: Schr. Kate Gifford, 300 tons, F. J. Lockwood, 300 tons, Thos. Clyde, 411 tons, 1890 total. — These cargoes are comprised of the Best Egg, Stove, Chestnut and Lump Coal in the market. No advance in prices, although coal is higher nearly everywhere else. — WOOD—300 casks Oak, Ash, Black-jack, Light wood, &c., of best quality and at low prices. nov 27 tf J. A. SPRINGER. — Grand Dramatic Temperance Cantata. — "Lost and Saved." — To be performed by the Pupils and Friends of St. Matthew's Parochial School. Under the leadership of Miss Lisette C. Hood. Proceeds to be devoted to Educational and Benevolent Purposes. — Opera House, Friday Evening, Dec. 30. General Admission 50 cents; Children 25c. Reserved Seats 25 cents Extra. Box sheet open at Yates' Book Store on and after December 26. Tickets for sale at the book stores, and by the friends and pupils of the school. dec 18 tf

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MONDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 19TH. Hanging of the Crane. For the benefit of the Wilmington Library Association. Reserved Seats at Yates' on and after tomorrow. Price—Adults 50c; Children 25c. No extra charge for reserved seats. dec 18 tf — OPERA HOUSE. — Matinee at 2 P. M.—Evening at 8 P. M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21. The Favorite Petite Comedienne, LIZZIE EVANS, Presenting her new and successful Comedy Drama, THE LITTLE BLACKSMITH. — Every new song, dance and specialty. — Special attraction, costumes and effects. — SEE MISS EVANS MAKE A COMPLETE HORSESHOE in full view of the audience. dec 18 tf — Opera House. — THE ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN FRIDAY night will be repeated Tuesday, the 20th, at the request of several white gentlemen who want their families to see a first-class Cake Walk. — Prof. Lindsay, the Musical Prodigy, will perform on various instruments. — Fennar's Double Quartette will render sweet music. — Howe and Welden will sing for points. — Proceeds for charitable purpose. — Admission 50c. — JULIUS MURRAY, Manager. — St. John's Hall, — WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 18, 1892. — COMPANION—THE REGULAR CONVOCATION of Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will be held to-morrow (Monday) evening, at 8 o'clock. Election of officers. J. DICKSON MUNDS, Secretary. dec 18 tf — Fine Perfumes, — ELEGANT TOILET REQUISITES, — CHRISTMAS SOUVENIRS, AT — JAS. D. NUTT'S, — Respectfully submitted, dec 18 tf The Druggist. — PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS! — By using our Steam Cookers, Vutrizio Coffee Pots, Granite Ironware, Broilers, Roasters, Carving Sets, Cake Pans, Jelly Pans, Iron King Cook Stove, Elmo Cook Stove, Liberty Stoves and Ranges. Double Oil Stoves, with Ovens. Oil Stoves in Variety. Extra Low Prices on these Goods during this week. — Alderman Hardware Co., 29 South Front St., Wilmington, N. C. dec 18 tf — Large Stock of Goods FOR THE Spring Trade. — Merchants will do well to see us before purchasing Full line HARDWARE, TINWARE, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, LAMPS, &c. — Come and see us. Wm. E. Springer & Co., IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS Hardware, Tinware and Crockery. dec 18 tf — Overcoats I \$5 to \$8, Worth Double. — Toys, Toys, at Dissolution Prices. — Large variety of Goods suitable for X-MAS PRESENTS. — Street Clear fare paid on all purchases over \$2.00. — Respectfully, POLVOGT & REHDER, Telephone 118. dec 18 tf Fourth St. Bridge. — HOLIDAY GOODS — AT BROOKLYN BARGAIN STORE, CORNER of Fourth and Brunswick streets. Ladies and gentlemen will find a nice line of toys, &c., at A. W. WATSON'S Bargain Store, corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets. Cars will carry you right at the store door. Also, a nice line at store No. 109, Dock street, near Front street. dec 19 tf

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Some people are disposed to doubt the truth of that story about the twenty-thousand pound meteor which fell in Colorado recently, but why shouldn't a twenty-thousand pound meteor fall in Colorado just as well as anywhere else? — It isn't every poet who can stand a pocketful of money and a big lot of applause at the same time. Mr. Watson's ode on Tennyson brought him a royal bounty of \$1,000 and so much praise that it unbalanced his mind and he is now as crazy as a loon. — We are in receipt of the Baptist Almanac for 1893, edited by Needham B. Cobb, Raleigh, N. C., which contains not only much information on the Baptist Church in this State, its work and progress, but much valuable information on other matters. — The prosecuting attorney of Kalkaska county, Michigan, is growing in popularity. He has run three times. The first time he was elected by 1 majority, the second time by 2, and the third time, this year, the tidal wave carried him in by 4 majority. — Those two fellows who undertook to rob the passengers on that Chesapeake and Ohio train at Huntington, should have gone out and served some time at the business with the professionals in the testive West. They were bunglers who didn't understand the first rudiments. — The idea of an electric railway from St. Louis to Chicago, to be constructed in time for the World's Fair, to be run at a speed of one hundred miles an hour, seems to be taking and spreading. There is also talk of constructing a similar road between New York and Chicago on as near an air line as possible. — A cave discovered in Southwest Missouri, has been explored over a distance of thirty miles. In it have been found the bones of animals of these and prehistoric times, but none of ancient Missourians. The Missourian as a general thing doesn't go around hunting a cave when he wants to die, but prefers to die on top of the ground.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Constant Paragraphs Parasitica Prima daily to People and Poinsettia Printed. — Messrs. R. M. Wescott, W. J. Newton, and Wm. St. George, of Southport were in the city yesterday. — Mr. Quince Moore, son of Col. Roger Moore, who has been attending school at the Rutherfordton Military Academy, is home spending the holidays. — Dr. Pritchard will preach only twice in this city before taking his departure for his new field of labor at Charlotte—to-day and next Sunday. He invites all to hear him to-day. — Mr. F. W. Dudley, traveling Freight and Passenger Agent for the Canadian Pacific Railroad, passed through the city yesterday on his way to Brazil, where he goes on business for company. — THE WEATHER. — U. S. DEPT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 18. — Meteorological data for twenty-four hours ending at 8 p. m. last night: Maximum temperature 68°; minimum temperature 51°. — Normal temperature for the day, deduced from twenty years' observation, 49°. — Departure from normal, plus 11°. Sum of departure since January 1st, 1892, minus 300°. — Rainfall for the day .04 inch. Total rainfall for the month up to date .72 inch. — BY RIVER AND RAIL. — Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday. — Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—448 bales cotton, 45 casks spirits turpentine, 807 bbls. rosin, 78 bbls. tar. — Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—367 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 9 bbls. rosin, 14 bbls. tar, 31 bbls crude turpentine. — Carolina Central R. R.—30 bales cotton. — C. F. & Y. V. R. R.—39 bales cotton, 46 casks spirits turpentine, 280 bbls. rosin, 77 bbls. tar. — Steamer D. Murchison—1 bale cotton, 53 casks spirits turpentine, 184 bbls. rosin, 65 bbls. tar. — Steamer A. P. Hurt—5 casks spirits turpentine, 21 bbls. rosin, 30 bbls. tar. — Steamer Elk—2 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 50 bbls. rosin, 3 bbls. tar. — Total receipts—Cotton, 879 bales; spirits turpentine, 169 casks; rosin, 831 bbls.; tar, 267 bbls.; crude turpentine, 31 bbls.

LIZZIE EVANS.

At the Opera House Next Wednesday Afternoon and Evening. The well known comedienne, LIZZIE EVANS, supported by her own carefully selected company will present a play new to this city entitled "The Little Blacksmith." This play is from the production of Miss Martha Morton, who is also authoress of "The Merchant" and many other successful productions; and was written especially to suit the requirements of this little theatre. It is strong in action, full of telling situations and climaxes, and the dialogue is crisp, bright and very interesting. During the performance Miss Evans will turn, in full view of the audience, from a red hot piece of iron a complete horse shoe, and assisted by Mr. Frank Bell and Mr. Gus Paxley will present many pleasing songs, dances and specialties. This company is carrying all of its own special scenery and effects, and nothing has been left undone to make this production one of the cleverest of its kind. — Box sheet open Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock. — "The Hanging of the Crane." — Longfellow's most beautiful poem is to be represented by some of Wilmington's most talented ladies and gentlemen Monday night. Miss Gertrude Jenkins, most popular as an elocutionist, will recite the poem while the scene is presented. — Prof. Greenwald will delight the audience in his usual mastery way. The entertainment will be interspersed with music—solos and quartettes—by the best talent of Wilmington. The entertainment is given for the benefit of the Library Association. Be sure and secure your seats at Yates' early to-morrow. Prices, 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children, with no extra charge for reserved seats. — A Postal Thief Captured. — Junius H. Penny, clerk in the registry department of the postoffice in this city, who absconded last June and carried off with him several valuable packages—including a registered letter containing \$300 sent to Mr. Geo. W. Huggins of Wilmington—was captured by a detective of the Postoffice Department last Wednesday at Denver, Colorado. Penny will be brought to Wilmington for examination upon the charge of embezzlement and is expected to arrive here the latter part of this week. — Another Performance at the Opera House. — Prof. Lindsay, the colored musical prodigy, and his company, will give another entertainment in the Opera House next Tuesday evening. The "cake-walk" on a "grand scale" will be a feature, and the sparring match, which began Friday evening, will be concluded. The purpose for which these entertainments are given is to raise funds to enable Prof. Lindsay to secure treatment for a nervous affection. — Meeting of Cape Fear Div. O. R. C. will open to-day at 1 p. m., instead of 2.30.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE GLEE CLUBS.

Will Spend the Christmas Holidays in Wilmington and Give Two Performances. The famous Columbia College glee, band and mandolin clubs, which are going to make their first Southern tour during the holidays, will play in Wilmington December 26th at the Opera House. The clubs recently made a very successful trip through New York State