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Port Almanac—December 12.

Sun Rises	7.01 A M
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Day's Length	9 h 46 m
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High Water at Wilmington	2.31 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU.
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec 12.

Meteorological data for yesterday:
Temperature: 8 a. m., 48°. 8 p. m., 55°; maximum, 63°; minimum, 46°; mean, 54°.
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 2.38.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair; easterly winds.

OUTLINES.

From two hundred to five hundred persons are supposed to have been lost by the foundering of the North German Lloyd steamer Salier off the coast of Spain on December 7th. —— R. G. Dun & Co. in their review of trade, say the approach of the holidays and doubt about the action of Congress puts off further improvement until the new year. —— There were 380 business failures in the United States the past week. —— Dr. Maximo Zertucha, formerly the physician of Maceo, gives the reporter of a Spanish newspaper the details of the death of the insurgent leader. —— Advices received in Philadelphia from Cuban agents on the island state that no further doubt of Maceo's death can exist. —— The National Bank of Commerce, of Duluth, Minn., has failed. —— Mrs. Laura W. Hicks committed suicide at the city alms house, Richmond, Va. —— Wilmington's Collector of Customs, acting under orders from the Treasury Department, will thoroughly investigate the purposes of the yacht Vamoose, which arrived here yesterday. —— A Philadelphia paper publishes a story to the effect that regiments are being raised in several cities to aid the Cuban insurgents. —— No serious embarrassment is anticipated in the Venezuelan negotiations from the delay in Minister Andrades' return to the United States. —— Propositions have been made to a number of young men in Richmond, Va., to go to Cuba. —— Gen. Weyler has arrived in Havana and was received with enthusiasm. —— The new tariff bill which the Republicans propose to frame will provide a sufficient revenue to cover the deficit now existing and furnish proper protection to home industries. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton was quoted quiet—middling gulf —c, middling 7⅜c; Southern flour dull, easy and unchanged—common to fair extra $3 05@3 60, good to choice $3 60@3 90; wheat—spot dull firmer; ungraded red 80@98c; corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 29c at elevator and 30c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 82½; spirits turpentine quiet at 27@27⅜c.

The Chicago *Chronicle* rises to remark that "the 2,000,000 Democrats who voted for McKinley did not vote for McKinleyism." Perhaps not, but they will get it all the same.

Miss Winter, who for several years has been superintending the education of the young Queen of Holland at a salary of $4,000 a year, has finished up the job and can now keep warm on her life pension of $2,500 a year.

Some men are born for trouble. The Indiana man who thought he got out of trouble when his wife got a divorce, and is now being sued by her for breach of promise because he refused to marry her again, is one of them.

Referring probably to Wanamaker's candidacy for the U. S. Senate, Senator Quay says "we have millionaires and business men enough in the Senate." As to the business men we don't know, but as to millionaires there is a surplus.

The Omaha *Bee* made some stinging remarks on the Omaha *World-Herald*, which felt so much hurt by the sting that the court allowed it damages of $6,000, which will make a hole in the hive deposits of the busy little *Bee*.

It seems that a good many dead and missing Spanish soldiers continue to do duty in Cuba after they have died or been missed. According to a report from Havana there are 50,000 of these kinds, for the maintenance of whom funds continue to be drawn regularly from the Spanish treasury.

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Mayor Pingree, of Detroit, Mich., likes office-holding so well that he proposes to run the Governorship, to which he has been elected, and the Mayoralty, which he now holds. He thinks he can run both, and it seems that there is no law in that State to prevent an ambitious man from holding several offices simultaneously.

There is a large immigration of Wisconsin farmers into what they call out there the "fruit belt" of the South. In one section 150 families are now preparing to move to Georgia.

It is proposed to hold a Pan-American Exposition at Niagara Falls in 1899, and make the Falls furnish the motive power, light, &c., if the plan pans out.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE—Proposals.
MRS. G. L JOHNSON—Removal.
G. R. FRENCH & SON—Shoes for boys.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

GODFREY WILLIS, JR.—Notice.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. H. W. Schussler, of Charlotte, is in the city.

— Mr. C. C. Lyon and wife, of Elizabethtown, were here yesterday.

— B. H. Griffin, the well-known manager of the Hotel Kennon, Goldsboro, is in Wilmington.

— Mr. J. F. Mitchell, ticket agent for the Southern Railway at Raleigh, was in the city yesterday.

— Messrs. Alex. Powell, of Vineland, and W. M. Lowry, of Maxton, were in the city yesterday, visiting wholesale merchants.

— Mr. Alfred Bradley, representing the Stuart Robson Company, arrived in town last evening and leaves to day for Charleston.

— Telegrams received yesterday announce the condition of Mr. J. H. Boatwright, Jr., formerly of this city but now of Portsmouth, as very much improved. He has been quite ill for several days.

— Among the arrivals yesterday were Mr. Arthur White, Mebane; Mr. J. C. Murchison, Greensboro; Mr. Chas. D. Butters, Hub; Messrs. Wm. Douglass and R. F. Arledge, Charlotte; Mr. John H. Mintz Shallotte; Mr. D. B. McNeill, Sapply; Mr. J. D. Smith, Bug Hill.

— The STAR regrets to learn of the serious illness of Mr. Thos. M. Green, son of Dr. W. H. Green, who has been sick at the State University with typhoid fever. It was deemed advisable to bring him home, and Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy went to Chapel Hill and returned with him last night. At last accounts Mr. Green was resting easily.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—267 bales cotton.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—904 bales cotton, 35 casks spirits turpentine, 137 bbls rosin, 181 bbls tar, 26 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—162 bales cotton, 56 casks spirits turpentine, 10 bbls rosin, 2 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—65 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 241 bbls rosin, 46 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—455 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—84 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 89 bbls rosin, 58 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 2 000 bales; spirits turpentine, 145 casks; rosin, 477 bbls; tar, 287 bbls; crude turpentine, 27 bbls.

Cotton Receipts and Exports.

The receipts of cotton at Wilmington yesterday were 2 000 bales, against 1.116 the same date last year. Receipts for the week ended December 11th, 10 863 bales; the corresponding week last year, 14,200. Receipts since September 1st, 1896, 187,536 bales, against 123 531 at same date last year; an increase of 64 005 bales.

Exports since September 1st, 1896: Domestic, 18 064 bales; foreign, 156 873. Total, 169 937.

The stock at this port is 23,790 bales; at same date last year, 23,930.

Death of Mr. N. M. Lockhart of Weldon.

A dispatch from Weldon to the *News-Observer* announces the death in that place last Wednesday of Mr. Nathaniel Macon Lockhart in the 43nd year of his age. The deceased was one of Weldon's best known citizens. He was partially paralyzed some weeks ago and since that time has been gradually sinking and his death was not unexpected. He was married to Miss Sadie McIlhenny, of Wilmington, the 17th of last June. Much sympathy is expressed for this young wife, so recently a bride, now a widow.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— It is said that Sousa's famous Band will give a grand concert in Wilmington early in January.

— At the meeting of the Republican Board of Commissioners of Vance county, held last Monday, James Eaton, a negro, was elected county attorney.

— Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared yesterday the British steamer *Malthy* for Liverpool, Eng., with cargo consisting of 9,200 bales cotton, valued at $338,400.

— The Fayetteville *Observer* says an effort is being made there to get up a party of seventy-five or one hundred persons to go to Wilmington Tuesday evening to attend the Kirmess.

— The regular services at the Seamen's Bethel will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. A. D. McClure. Seamen and rivermen specially invited. All welcome.

— It seems now that Senator William B. Allison, of Iowa, will be Secretary of State, and Representative Nelson Dingley, Jr., of Maine, Secretary of the Treasury under the new Administration.

— Clerk W. J. Sutton, of Bladen, is a candidate for United States Marshal for the Eastern District. "Bill" is a corker, and he will have a strong backing. He can count on the help of Governor-elect Russell.

— A young men's meeting will be held at the Y. M. C. A. to-night, led by Mr. F. P. Turner, of Charlotte, the State Secretary of the Association. Mr. Turner arrived in the city last night and will spend several days helping the local Association in its work.

— Mr. F. L. Dunn, operator for the Norfolk & Western Railway at Petersburg, Va., and Miss Gracie Alsop, of that place, were married at Weldon, Thursday night, and came to Wilmington yesterday evening, registering at the Bonitz House, where they will remain a few days.

— Gov. Carr has offered a reward of $100 for the arrest of A. J. Perry, who murdered Stephen Johnston, colored ferryman, at Elizabethtown a few days since. Bladen county also offers a reward of $100. Particulars of the murder were given in the STAR the day after it occurred.

— An old colored woman on the wharf yesterday afternoon, when she heard the screeching whistle of the *Vamoose* as the boat steamed up the river, cried out, "Good Lord, what's dat?" A negro man answered, "Man overboard." "My Jesus," said the old woman, "but didn't he holler!"

— Mr. G. M. Summerell, of Armour, is also in the turnip race. He pulled one from his patch a few days since that measured 29½ inches in circumference, and that weighed 9½ pounds. But this does not quite come up to Uncle Johnnie Clark's big ruta baga. The Summerell turnip was a "White Globe."

A PIOUS FRAUD.

A Most Delightful Entertainment Given for the Benefit of the Shelter of the Silver Cross.

That the citizens of Wilmington fully appreciate that great and beneficent charity, "The Shelter of the Silver Cross," and honor that band of noble King's Daughters who have striven so many years and against seemingly insurmountable obstacles for its maintenance, was fully evinced last night by the unusual large gathering at the Opera House to witness the presentation of "A Pious Fraud," as portrayed by our most talented amateurs.

The well known reputation of each individual performer, the faithful and earnest work at the rehearsals, led the audience to believe that they would see something unusually good, and all left delighted with themselves for coming and more than proud of Wilmington's dramatic talent. It is faint praise to say that it was a bright, breezy play by home talent; that in stage setting, in charming costumes, in quick renditions of witty lines, it far surpassed the work of many well known professionals.

"A Pious Fraud" is a three-act comedy drama, sparkling with fun and replete with laughable situations.

Mr. Jas. H. Cowan as *Lord Fencourt Babberly*, "Charlie's Aunt," was simply inimitable, and literally convulsed the audience with his ludicrous impersonations.

Mr. Geo. B. Elliott, as *Jack Chesney*, and his chum, Mr. Seymour Merrill, as *Charlie Wyckham*, were *au fait* as tasteful, yet ardent lovers.

Mr. W. F. Robertson, as *Sir Francis Chesney*, was forceful and dramatic.

Mr. T. H. Wright, as *Mr. Spettigue*, and Mr. Beverly Mason, as *Brassett*, are worthy of more than a passing notice.

When we attempt to do justice to the strong dramatic talent and the grace and beauty displayed by Misses Annie Blount DeRosset, Bessie Gibson, Margaret Meares and Cammie Lord, words prove out faint praise.

Much commendation should be awarded Miss Nellie Draper, for by far the most artistic stage settings that have ever adorned the Opera House.

In the intermission between the acts the audience was charmed with exquisite solos rendered by Mrs. E. W. Hoff and Wilmington's favorite, Miss Mary Lily Kenan, whose sweet and pathetic voices swayed the vast throng and won for both ladies hearty encores.

The accompanist was Mr. E. P. Boatwright, who is too well known to Wilmington to require further commendation.

The ladies who had this project in charge are to be congratulated for the charming evening's entertainment given.

— Messrs. J. L. Pinner and Thos. S Morse, of Southport, came up on the *Vamoose*.

STEAM YACHT VAMOOSE.

Arrival of the New York Journal's Cuban Dispatch Boat—En Route to Key West—She Took on Coal and Will Leave Wilmington This Morning.

The unearthly sound which pierced the ears of people yesterday and which was mistaken by some for the bray of a donkey and by others for the bellowing of cattle, was nothing other than the calliope whistle of the now famous dispatch boat *Vamoose*. And all roads in Wilmington yesterday led to the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad dock, where shortly before one o'clock the *Vamoose* landed. It had been expected for a day or two, and that it was an object of great interest in itself considered and that the people of Wilmington are specially interested in whatever has a Cuban connection, was evinced from the fact that all yesterday afternoon there was a steady stream of people going down to see the vessel.

It was a noticeable occurrence and quite a happy illustration of the progressive and enterprising spirit which characterizes the methods of Editor W. R. Hearst, that just as the *Vamoose*, flying a flag on which were the words, "The New York *Journal*," was being made fast to the wharf, a newsboy dashed up and sang out, "Here's your New York *Journal!*" The captain purchased, but through a mistake a *World* was handed him; through a mistake, for surely the captain of a New York *Journal* boat would have been too well under the instructions of the "Yellow Kid" to purchase Pulitzer's sheet.

Capt. C. McIntosh is in command of the *Vamoose*. He has many friends and acquaintances in the city, having been for some time the master of the schooner *Maggie Abbott*, a frequent visitor at this port. He was also in command of the steamer *Horsa*, suspected of filibustering, which put into Southport badly damaged not very long ago.

Capt. McIntosh was the most sought after man in Wilmington yesterday. He was plied with countless questions about his boat, her speed, whether she could cross the ocean, if she wasn't very "wet" at sea, and every other interrogation that the mind of the curious could devise. But, on the whole, he preserved an even temper and showed marked courtesy towards the numerous visitors.

Readers of the New York *Journal*, no doubt, remember seeing about a month ago on the first page of that paper a cut of the *Vamoose*. As was stated there, the *Vamoose* has been chartered by the *Journal* simply to bring dispatches from Cuba to this country. The run between Havana and Key West can be made, all things favoring, in two hours and a half, and rarely, even under the most adverse circumstances, will the time be over four hours. The news of one day, therefore, up to eight o'clock at night can be brought to Key West and telegraphed to New York in time to appear in the *Journal* next morning. She is now bound from New York to Key West, having made stops at Norfolk, Hampton Roads, Ocracoke and Southport. It cannot be stated definitely when she will reach Key West, as it is not known what delays may arise. She leaves Wilmington this morning, and will probably stop at Charleston.

The *Vamoose* is a double-ender, with an 800 horse power engine. Her length is 128 feet and she measures 18 feet amidship, the deck being slightly narrower. The boat belongs to a Mr. Monroe, of New York, though it was originally built in 1891 for W. R. Hearst, who now has it chartered simply. Her cruising speed is 16 knots an hour; when necessary the speed can be kept up to 20 knots an hour for twenty-four hours; and, on a spurt, the *Vamoose* can make the astonishingly fast time of 28 knots, or thirty-two miles. She made the run from Southport here in something over an hour; but there was no special effort to make time.

The *Vamoose* came to Wilmington for coal. She took on eight tons, purchased of Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., and loaded under direction of Mr. D. H. Penton, of that firm.

Capt. E. L. Hinton, who admires the *Journal's* enterprise, presented the *Vamoose* with a set of handsomely gilded antlers, which were promptly strapped to the bridge above the pilot house.

Talmage's Sermon.

The STAR has received requests from some of its subscribers to print one of Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage's sermons every week. As this is a new feature and would occupy considerable space, we hesitate to adopt it unless it is desired by a considerable number of our readers. We, therefore, request those of our subscribers who would like to read the Talmage Sermons to notify us to that effect by postal cards. If this request is complied with, we can then determine whether or not the sermons will be worth the additional expense and space made necessary by their publication.

Are You Out of Work?

The STAR will help you get a position absolutely free of all cost, or if you want some one to work for you the STAR will charge you nothing for the advertisement. This offer is made to help those out of employment, and does not apply to "boarders wanted," "houses for rent," or any class of commercial advertising. The name of the advertiser must positively accompany every advertisement. Your name will not be published, however, unless you desire it. See announcement in another column for full particulars.

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This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Second Day's Proceedings of the Sessions at Kinston—Resolutions Passed to Pay Interest on the Bonded Debt of Fifth Street Church in Wilmington—An Endowment of $100,000 Offered by Mr. W. Duke for Trinity College.

[*Kinston Free Press*]

The Conference convened at 9 o'clock. Bishop Wilson in the chair.

Question 1st, "Who are admitted on trial?" was taken up. Bryan C. Thompson, Robert H. Willis and J. R. Groves, of the Durham district, and Albert Barnes, of the Washington district, were admitted. James A. Dailey, of the Durham district, failed to pass examination;

Question 21, "Who remain on trial?" was called. Jesse L. Cunninggim, David B. Parker, R. L. Davis, Y. E. Wright, H. A. Humble and E. W. Fox passed examination of character, and, having been approved by the examining committee, were continued on trial and advanced to the class of the second year.

Question 8th, "What travelling preachers are elected deacons?" was called. R. W. Baily, S. A. Cotton, Samuel Leffers, Rufus Bradley and R. A. Bruton passed the examination of character, and, having been approved by the examining committee, were elected to deacon's orders.

Question 7th, "Who are deacons of one year?" was called. W. F. Craven; W. C. Merritt and Wm. E. Hocutt passed the examination of character, and, having been approved by the examining committee, were advanced to the class of the fourth year. L. Leitch was continued in the class of the third year. Edward Kelly was located at his own request.

Question 12th was called, viz: "What travelling preachers are elected elders?" Doctor N. Cavness, James H. Frizzelle, Thomas H. Sutton, William A. Jenkins, Marion T. Plyler, James P. Pate, Julian L. Rumley, Samuel T. Moyle, John W. Wallace, Henry E. Tripp and Allison L. Ormond passed the examination of character and, having been approved by the examining committee, were elected to elders' orders.

Question 10th, "What local preachers are elected to deacon's orders?" was called. Johnson Sorrell, Raleigh district, and William F. Jones, Elizabeth City district, were elected.

ON RE ADMITTING REV. J. T. KENDALL.

Question 5th was called, "Who are readmitted?" J. T. Kendall of the Wilmington district, having been recommended by that district for re-admission, Rev. W. S. Rone, his presiding elder, spoke for his re admission; also Drs. Nicholson and Cy Thompson. Rev. G. A. Oxesby made a very zealous speech against his admission. Rev. A. B Crumpler spoke in his behalf. J. N. Cole, R. B. John, T. H. Gatlin and L. L. Nash spoke against him. The discussion was very animated. The vote was against his re-admission.

FIFTH STREET CHURCH.

Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, pastor Fifth Street church, Wilmington, made an appeal for help to redeem that church from debt. This church was heavily involved in debt, through the instrumentality of Jno. C. Davis. Mr. Cunninggim appealed to the conference for help sufficient from the Board of Church Extension to pay the interest on the $14-225 of bonds owed by the church, and gave assurances that if this was done the church would retire the bonds in a few years.

L. L. Nash, who was pastor of Fifth Street church right after the Davis smash, introduced a resolution that the Board of Church Extension be requested to make an assessment sufficient to meet the interest on the bonds of Fifth Street church, and made a strong appeal in favor of same.

D. H. Tuttle, president of the Board of Church Extension, objected to burdening the board.

J. R. Sawyer moved to amend resolution, so that the board be instructed to pay the interest on the bonds.

L. L. Nash accepted the amendment.

B. R Hall, F. D. Swindell and R. A. Willis spoke in favor of the resolution.

A motion to table the resolution was put, and declared lost. Division called for. By standing vote motion lost, by 48 for, 69 against.

N. M. Jurney moved to amend resolution, that extension board buy $200 worth of bonds a year, instead of paying interest. After a little further discussion Mr. Jurney withdrew his amendment.

J. S. Furchess, lay delegate from Fifth Street (formerly of Kinston), made a strong plea for the help asked in the first resolution.

W. S Rone made a strong plea in favor of the resolution.

The resolution was adopted.

ENDOWMENT FOR TRINITY COLLEGE.

Perhaps the North Carolina Conference never heard news that had such a thrilling effect upon it as the letter read by Dr. J. C. Kilgo from Mr. Washington Duke, in which he conveyed the glad news that he would give $100,000 to the endowment of Trinity College. The conference sang the long metre doxology.

Mr. Duke has already given about $200,000 to this institution. All North Carolina Methodism owes Mr. Duke a debt of gratitude. The future of the college is now brighter than it has ever been in its history. The clouds have passed over. But to show their appreciation of this handsome gift, the Methdists of the State ought to at once add another $100,000 to the endowment fund.

A motion to return thanks to Mr. Washington Duke for the generous offer, and that a committee be appointed to draft same, was carried.

The attendance of both delegates and townspeople was much larger than the day before.

Eastern Hospital at Goldsboro.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Hospital, at Goldsboro, the *Argus* says, the members made a thorough examination of the property, which they found to be in excellent condition throughout all its departments, and highly complimented the uniformly exact management of its efficient superintendent, Dr. J. F. Miller. The Board re-elected Dr. W. W. Faison as first assistant physician, and created the office of second assistant, to which position they elected (Mrs.) Dr. Clara Jones. Capt. Daniel Reid, who has so long and admirably filled the onerous position of steward, was re-elected. Also Mrs B. V. Smith as matron.

The selection of Dr. Clara Jones for the newly created position, which the needs of the institution demanded, is a most excellent one in every way.

— The STAR is requested to say that with the exception of the Sabbath school at half-past three o'clock p. m., there will be no services at Grace Methodist E. church to morrow, in consequence of the absence of the pastor, who is in attendance upon the annual Conference in session at Kinston.

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COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT.

THEY CIRCULATED BOGUS DOLLARS IN WESTERN CAROLINA.

The Appointment for the Fifth Judicial District—Many Prisoners in Wake County Jail—Minister Ransom.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 11.

Gov. Carr received this morning from State Agent J. A. Perry, a specimen of a counterfeit dollar which has been largely circulated in Western Carolina. Mr. Perry caught the entire gang, which operated over the Tennessee line, near Johnston City. They made the money there and then distributed it in this State. The counterfeit is easily detected in the specimen received by Gov. Carr.

Five lawyers were recommended for appointment as Judge of the Sixth Judicial district. They were Mr. J. D Bellamy, Jr., of Wilmington; Noah J. Rouse, of Kinston; Henry L. Stephens, of Clinton, and H. E. Faison. Mr. Rouse is a law partner of the newly appointed Judge, O. H. Allen, and was recommended by the latter. [Mr. Bellamy's name was not presented to Gov. Carr until after Mr. Allen had received the appointment.—EDITOR STAR.]

There are sixty-nine prisoners in the county jail, one more than was ever confined at any one previous time.

Mr. H. A. Williams is appointed Master of Trains on the Eastern division of the Southern Railway, to succeed Mr. Chas. L. Ewing, who was transferred to Asheville. Mr. Williams comes from the Florida Central and Pennsylvania.

Minister M. W. Ransom is in the city on his return to Mexico. He has been at his Halifax farm since the death of his son.

THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

Busy Buyers Thronging the Stores, Seeking Novelties for the Christmas Season.

Yesterday was an ideal day for shopping. It was just cold enough for the air to be bracing, and both salesmen and purchasers seemed to be in fine spirits—the clerks anxious to please and the customers ready to buy and pay for a good thing when they see it.

All kinds of goods were in demand, and there was a fair trade in all the stores; but business was liveliest in holiday goods. Many fancies were converted into facts yesterday, and much thought spent on the selection of gifts for Christmas. It is the pleasantest task in the world to plan surprises in the shape of gifts for those we love, and so here is another reason for the smile which almost everybody wore yesterday.

There were several out of town merchants here also, making purchases for their Christmas trade, though the first part of the week is the time when they are here in greatest numbers.

Pocket-Book Found.

A young man found yesterday, a pocket-book containing two checks—one on "The Dawson Bank," dated Oct. 27, 1896, for $945, signed by Mark Hanna and payable to Thos. C. Miller for Committee; the other on the Atlantic National Bank, dated December 8, 1896, for $1.90, drawn by Marsden Bellamy & Son in favor of C. W. Norwood. The latter is no doubt good; but there is probably a big joke lurking near the Hanna check. The pocket-book and contents were left with Mr. Hiram Moore, on Market street.

The Churches.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a. m and 7 30 p. m. Sabbath School at 3 30 p. m. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. H. Hoge, pastor. Divine service at 11 a. m and 8 p. m. Young people's prayer meeting at 7 30 in the primary room. Sunday School at 3.00 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8 p. m., Thursday. Seats free.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets; Rev. J. B Harrell, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p m. Weekly Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a m and 8 p m.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Mrs. G. L. Johnson

ANNOUNCES HER REMOVAL FROM Philadelphia to John Wanamaker's new store in New York, at Broadway and 10th streets where she has increased and unsurpassed facilities for serving her patrons, from whom she solicits increased patronage. Letters addressed there will receive prompt attention. dec 12 1t

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED GIVES NOTICE THAT certificate for one share, Number ——, of the Capital Stock of the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Company, standing on the books of said company in his name, has been lost or destroyed; that he will apply to the Board of Directors of said company to have a new certificate issued him, as provided in Section 19 of the Charter of said company.

nov 7 3m JAMES KNIGHT.

PROPOSALS

FOR FURNISHING THE OUT-DOOR POOR of New Hanover County for the year 1897 with Medicines, Coffins and Burials, and the Poor and the Public Buildings with Wood and Coal, will be received at the office of the Chairman County Commissioners until the first Monday in January, 1897. Parties bidding will receive more favorable consideration if stated in bids that they are not bound by nor connected with combines and trusts in maintaining prices.

F. W. FOSTER,
dec 12 tf Chairman B. C. C.

A. D. BROWN'S
Christmas Offerings
—AT—
No. 29 North Front St.

Bric-a-Brac.

Rose Jars in Black, Purple, Lemon and Pink at 40c, $1.00 and 2.00.
Pin Trays in Black, Pink and Blue, decorated, 25c each.
Hand-painted Wine and Medicine Glasses 10c each.
Real Cut Glass Vases at 75c each.
Violet Jars in shades of Pink, Blue and Green 20c each.
Low Tea Cups and Saucers in Blue, White and Pink, 35c, 65c, 20c, 15c, 25c and 50 cent. Assorted Salad Plates 15 and 20c each.
Oat Meal Sets 75c, variety of colors. Cracker Jars 75c and $1.25.
Salad Bowls, fancy shades, 50c each. Bread and Butter Plates 20c each.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens, $3.75 set.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens 75, 50, 35c and $1 00.
Wedgewood in Tea Pots at $2 50; Cream Pitchers at $1.00 and $1 50.
Cut Glass Vinegar Bottles at $1.75. Venetian Vases 35 and 90c.

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls.

RUGS FROM THE ORIENT AND DOMESTIC RUGS FOR XMAS GIFTS. "Nothing certainly is as well adapted as it combines beauty with usefulness;" "a combination not at all times obtainable."

20th Century Toilet Hints.

Delicate Balms, Creamy Unguents, Stimulating Lotions and Soothing Powders that could not harm the skin of a babe, find place within the sanctum of the woman who but a few years ago was practically ignorant of toilet arts.

We are sole Agents for HUDNUT'S TOILET REQUSITES.

Dress Goods, Notions, Handkerchiefs, Carpets, Laces and Gloves.
dec 10 tf

Mattings, Rugs
AND
CARPETS.
A FULL LINE
MATTINGS
bought at a sacrifice that we will sell cheap.

A Full Line Smyrna Rugs Very Cheap.

A large lot Blankets, Towels and Marseilles Spreads at all prices.

The balance of our Carpet stock very cheap. These goods must be sold in the next thirty days. Call and see them at my new stand.

SOL. BEAR,
No. 18 Market Street,
dec 6 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Shoes For The Boys.

Boys are apt to be hard on Shoes, but we have the Shoes adapted to rough usage. One pair of our youth's Kangaroo Calf Lace Shoes at $1.25, or a pair of our "Little Dude" Shoes at $1.25 will convince you that for economy we have the Shoe. Be sure and see them before purchasing elsewhere.

Geo. R. French & Sons.
nov 22 tf

SEASONABLE GOODS.

Jute Bagging,
Arrow Ties,
Cheese, Crackers, Cakes, Salmon, Sardines, Oysters.

Full and complete stock of
HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES.
LOWEST CASH PRICES.
Don't fail to see us before buying
WORTH & WORTH.
aug 29 tf

Sale of Stock.

BY DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," I will expose for sale to the highest bidder, at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the City of Wilmington, on Saturday the 26th day of December, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., twenty shares of the capital stock of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," standing in the name of Thomas Ferrett to satisfy and pay the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars, due as unpaid assessments on said stock; said assessments having been duly and regularly called by order of the said board and payment thereof having been duly refused by Thomas Ferrett, the subscriber to said stock.

JOHN D. BELLAMY, JR.,
dec 4 10t Attorney.

NOTICE.
Foreclosure Sale of Real Estate.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE SUPERIOR Court of New Hanover county, in the cause therein pending wherein Thomas J. Gore is plaintiff and E. W. Hewlett and wife Fannie F. Hewlett are defendants, made at the September term, 1896, the undersigned Commissioner therein appointed will expose for sale, at the Court House door, on Friday, the 8th day of January, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, all that lot of land in the City of Wilmington, N. C., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the northern line of Dock street 110 feet west of the northwestern intersection of Eighth and Dock streets, and running thence westwardly along the said northern line of Dock street 44 feet, thence northwardly parallel with Eighth street 180 feet; thence eastwardly parallel with Dock street 44 feet, and thence southwardly parallel with Eighth street 180 feet to Dock street, the beginning; the same being part of lots 4 and 5 in Block 156, in the City of Wilmington, and the same conveyed by mortgage to the plaintiff by the defendants which is recorded at pages 544 et seq. of Book No. 18 of the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, N. C. This the 8th day of December, 1896.

JOHN G. MARSHALL,
dec 8 30t Commissioner.

Holiday Goods!

We are Headquarters this season for
Holiday Goods.
and a cordial invitation is extended to every lady to call and see our stock of pretty things, consisting of

Fine Pictures,

Engravings, Etchings, colored and plain Photographs, Water Colors and Pastelles, all in handsome frames. Easels, Screens, Cabinets, Book Shelves, Music Racks, Leather Goods, Japanese Goods, Wood Baskets, Celluloid Novelties, Handsome Gilt Ornaments, Picture Frames, Gold Pens, Fancy Inkstands, Toilet Articles, Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals, in sets; Purses, Card Cases, Smokers' Sets.

Beautiful Calendars and Christmas Cards.

Handsome Gift Books, Standard Works, all the latest Novels in fine bindings, Work Boxes, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Fancy Clocks, Photograph Albums, Writing Desks, Scrap Books, Whist Sets, Children's Books in endless variety, Games, Blocks, Balls, Iron Toys, &c., &c.

The above is only a partial list of the many articles we have on exhibition, and at prices to suit your purse. Come now and make your selections and avoid the rush.

Parties desiring Pictures Framed before Christmas must bring them down at once.

OPEN EVENINGS.

C. W. Yates & Co.
dec 11 tf

KIRMESS

GRAND SPECTACULAR PRESENTATION of the Kirmess and Dances of the Nations will be given at the Opera House, Wilmington, N. C.
Evenings of December 14, 15, 16 and 17.
Matinee on Saturday, December 19.
Reserved seats will be on sale at Yates' Book Store, Wilmington, N. C., at 9 a. m., Thursday, December 10th. Prices 5 cents and $1 00.
Seats may be reserved by letter or telegram.
Special rates on trains on Railroads.
Read full description and interesting particulars in "The Kirmess," for sale at all Book Stores, price 5 cents. dec 6 12t

We supply the wants of those large feet, requiring number 15's in Men's heavy SHOES; also, those tiny little feet requiring number 0's in Infants' smallest size, and almost anything else in GOOD CHEAP SHOES between these two extremes.

Gents' Holiday SLIPPERS in abundance. Come early and avoid the Christmas rush. Respectfully,

Mercer & Evans,
63½ steps east from corner Princess and Front Sts. dec 6 tf

Kirmess Rehearsals.

THE ORCHESTRAL REHEARSALS FOR the Kirmess are arranged according to the following schedule. The dancers will please note the time and a full attendance is requested in the City Hall:

For Friday, December 11—7 30 P. M.—Indian Moon, Gypsy Tambourine, German Dance, Swedish Dance, Hottama Shimo, Spanish Wedding and Indian Ghost.

For Saturday, December 12—9.00 A. M.—Little Japanese and May Pole; 10 A. M., Gypsy and Indian Moon; 12 Noon, Nile Worshippers and Sylphs; 7 P. M., Greek and Greek Attendants; 7 P. M., a full and complete rehearsal of all the dances is called, and is imperative. This last is to be held in the Opera House.

All the principal characters must come. No spectators are admitted to any rehearsals. dec 10 6t