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Port Almanas-January 6. Sun Rises..... 7.10 A 1 Sun Sets..... 5.08 P 1 Day's Length 9 h 53 t High Water at Southport... 10 04 P M High Water at Wilmington 11.47 P M

The Weather. U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan 6. Meteorological data for yesterday:

Rainfall for the day, 00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, .01. FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. For North Carolina-Generally fa

Temperature: 8 a. m., 48°: 8 p. m., 44°

maximum, 56°; minimum, 44°; mean, 50°

and colder; westerly winds.

OUTLINES. The Yadkin Falls Manufacturing Company has gone into the hands of a receiver. - Two negro murderers were hanged at Norfolk, Va. - Gen. Francis A. Walker, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is dead. - Postmaster General Wilson, it is said, will accept the presidency of Washington-Lee University. - No business of importance was transacted in Congress, which met vesterday after the holiday recess. --- The steamer Dauntless succeeded in landing an expedition the coast of Cuba. --- Gen. Weyler says he expects to put an end to the rebellion in the Havana district within a fortnight and in Matanzas province before the rainy season sets in. -A petition is circulated among Democratic members of the New York Legislature asking them not to vote for the re nomination of Senator Hill. -Special reports to the Charleston News and Courier from nearly all the counties id South Carolina show that the State is in a better financial condition than at any time since the war. - Cubans in Key West, Fia., are rejoicing over the landing of an expedition on the east coast of Cuba. - Several persons were injured, some of them fatally, in a train wreck on the Burlington & Quincy road, near Carson, Iowa. - The refusal of a Polish priest to celebrate mass over a dead person at Bay City, Mich., caused a riot, in which one person was shot and several were hadly injured. -The steamer Three Friends is again in he hands of the U. S. authorities at acksonville, Fla. -- The Republican causus of the Pennsylvania Legislature

cent.; cotton quiet-middling 7 1-16c; Southern flour quiet and steady-common to fair extra \$3 00@3 55; good to choice \$3 55@8 85; wheat-spot active for export and lower-free on board 991/c. ungraded red 80@9936c; corn-spot dull and firm, No. 2 2916c at elevator and 80%c affoat; rosin steady-strained common to good \$1 721/4; spirits turpentine firm at 27 1 @28c. The Indiana man who committed

- The greatest snow and wind storm

I'm per cent., closing offered at 11/4 per

ever experienced in the Northwest pre-

suicide because he was caught robbing the Sugar Trust never belonged to the Trust or he would never have committed suicide.

The tobacco planters of this country raised last year 8,500,000 pounds more of tobacco than they did the year before last and it brought them \$3,581,000 less.

The State of Kansas is going to celebrate her birthday on the 29th inst. The general impression was from the amount of howling done in

that State, that she was sorry she had a birthday. The city of Chicago is wrestling with an epidemic of rheumatism, Tolson, of Society Hill, S. C., were in

which is no respecter of persons, but tackles the able bodied athlete with as much gusto as it does the puny or aged mortal.

An Austrian tobacco expert insists that tobacco is a perennial and not an annual plant, as generally supposed. We believe he is right. Some Florida tobacco growers are going to experiment on that line.

Gen. Wevler is counting on sickness, bullets and hunger to end the racket in Cuba. Judging from his economy in bullets, he seems to be depending principally on sickness and hunger, and some assassination.

International bimetallism is an impossibility, exclaims the gold organ, and then when there is a proposition they know without trying?

THE MORNING STAR REDUCED TO STAR

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WILMINGTON, N. C., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1897.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT Attention is called to the followng REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR :

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS. The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

Our enterprising contemporary, the Charlotte Observer, doesn't let fire or anything of that kind interfere with its regular business. It showed its hustle when in spite of the fire that gutted its office Saturday night it got out its regular Sunday edition, as if nothing was the matter; another proof that Charlotte has a paper equal to emergencies, and up with the vim of the town it talks

The business failures in this country last year numbered 15,112, an increase of 16 per cent, over the failures in 1895. This is according to Bradstreet's. Dun & Co. put the number of failures at 14,800, against 13,195 for 1895, and the amount involved \$225,000,000, against \$173,-196,060 for 1895. This isn't showing up well for the "advance agent of prosperity."

John W. Holland, of Danville, who made an assignment, a few days ago, was in independent circumstances, and didn't owe a dollar himself. His property went to pay the debts of a deceased brother whose notes he endorsed to the amount of \$248,000.

During the campaign Republican campaigners declaimed a good deal against taxing the poor man's breakfast table, and now they have gone and made a trust on it by combining the oatmeal and other mills that prepare stuff for the breakfast table.

Senator Sherman has written a note to Mr. McKinley informing him that he (Mr. Sherman) prefers the Senate to a roost in the Cabinet, which will be interesting information to Mark Hanna and other patriots who hoped to tall heir to Sherman's Senatorial brogans.

Mr. McKinley will be the third Methodist elected to the Presidency. His church Methodism may be all right, but there are other kinds of methodism he believes in that have bronght a great deal of trouble to this country.

Senator Sherman is opposed to the organization of a permanent tariff commission, with a view to taking the tariff out of politics. If it wasn't for the politics there is in the tariff it would have been out of politics nominated State Senator Penrose to succeed Mr. Cameron in the U. S. Senate. long ago.

Count Hutzfield, who married Miss Bonaparte in Baltimore last week, vailed in Minnesota Sunday and Monhad better walk straight for she can day. -- The Pope's condition is redurtain lecture him in several lanported very grave. -- Yesterday's New York markets: Money on call was easy at 11602 per cent., last loan at

Succi, the Italian who starved himself into notoriety, succeeded also in starying himself into an insane asylum in Paris.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CLYDE LINE-Sailing days. OPERA House-Sousa's Band. R. J HESTER & Co.-Dissolution. OPERA HOUSE -The Private Secretary

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Princ'pally to People and Pointedly Printed.

- Mr. G. W. P. Batte, of Charlotte, was registered here yesterday.

- Mr R. J. Hester, of Elizabeth. town, was a visitor in this office yester-

- Mr. S. E. Memory, a prominent merchant of Whiteville, was here yesterday. - Mr. Frank T. Mills returned

vesterday from a business trip to Jacksonville, N. C. - Mr. William Woolvin, a promi-

nent farmer of Sloop Point, was in the city yesterday. - Messrs. Frank Wilks and K. B.

the city yesterday. - Mr. John Wood, special agent of the New York Life, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

- Mr. J. K. Johnston, general manager of the Sun Life Insurance Co. of Canada, is in the city, at The Octon. - Messrs. W. W. Harris, Richmond; F. A. Ragland, Atlanta; J. R. Johnson, Raleigh; J. C. Mintz. Southport; Oscar L. Fields, Dudley, H. E. Trulove, Whiteville, and E. B. Ward, Rowland, were in the city yesterday.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however

short, will be taken for less than 90 cents This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to adver- be given at the Piney Woods Ion Janfor an international congress, they tisers who can calculate the exact cost uary 12. Tickets will be on sale Janexclaim, ob, don't try it. How do of their advertisements, which must be uary 11 and 12, good to return until Janpaid for always in advance.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

- Slight repairs are being made on the Carolina Issurance Company's - The usual Epiphany service

will be held at St. James' church this morning at 11 o'clock. -The sidewalk in front of the office and shops of the Carolina Cooper-

age Company is being paved with brick. - A false alarm of fire was sent in last night at half-past nine o'clock from box 48, corner of Fifth and Orange

- The many friends of Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., will regret to hear that he is reported very sick at his home in Fayetteville.

- The notice of the dividend declared by the board of directors of the W., C. & A. R. R., in yesterday's STAR should read "three" instead of five per

- A number of colored people passed through the city yesterday en ronte to the turpentine fields of Georgia. Taey were in charge of Mr. W. H Barber, and were employed at Verona. - Regular monthly business meet-

ing of the North Carolina Sprosis will be held in the Y. M. C. A. building on Thursday, January 7, at 4 o'clock p. m. The executive committee will meet at 8 45 o'clcck. - The married men and their

helpers, of the Central Baptist church, will give an interesting programme tonight at the church. Among the speakers will be J. C. Stevenson, Esq., and Geo. H. White, Congressman-elect from the Second district. Exercises will commerce at 7.80 p. m. All welcome.

- The STAR was the recipient yesterday of a nice sheet of music entitled "Life Without Love." This song is now being sung with great success by "The Private Secretary" Company, which will open an engagement at the Opera House next Friday night. The composer is Mr. Atthur G. Lewis, of Nortolk, Va.

- The Hon. Damocles Bucepalus spondent of the STAR that there would to that extent by fire. be one or two amendments to our char-Damocles is vociferating through his ingentry made: headgear.

- New Year's day a party of gay masqueraders had their pictures taken in front of the Atlantic Cafe. Yesterday a STAR representative was shown one of the pictures. In the group are Messrs. Henry Habenicht, R. C. Curtis, George Schnibben, Jno. W. Blomme, W. H. Bloom, H. Haar, Fred Mohr and H. D. Oldenbuttle.

Sutertainment at Old Hemenway.

"The Coming Woman" arrived last evening at Old Hemenway School Building, North Fourth street, and was represented by Miss Katve Bell, as Wolverine Griffin," Miss Emma Green, as "Mrs. Badger," Miss Norma Foster, as "Victorine" and Miss Sallie Smith, as the "Judge." "Tom Carberry" (Mr. C. H. Schulken) and "Mr. Wigfall" (McG. Green) were good types of what might be called to keep up the figure, "the going man," while it was not clear whether the "Porter" (W. P. Monroe) in 1900 had his horizon limited by

woman's encroachments. The general degree of excellence was so high that it is difficult to select any one of the cast as deserving greater praise than the other. The play was really amusing and the audience came away well pleased. Miss Pocohontas Britt, the planist, won much applause. At the close of the play, there was a violin duet by Prof. Bernard and Miss Normie Foster, which was enthusiastically received, the violinists being obliged to repond to an encore. Miss Katy Bell recited "The Polish

Boy" with great feeling and effect. Caps Fear Lodge I. O. O. F. At a regular meeting of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., held last night, District Deputy Grand Master L. L. Boon, assisted by Past Grands W. H. Yopp, M. W. Jacobi, F. B. Rice, W. M. Hays, Sr., and W. W. Yopp, installed

term: S. P. G.-A. A. Brown. N. G -C. D. Jacobs. V. G .- A. H. Creasey. R. and P. S .- J. T. Riley. Treasurer-Wm. Goodman. Warden-W. H. Badon. Conductor-C. E. Smith. Chaplain-W. L. Smith R. S. to N. G .- W. W. Yopp. L S. to N. G .- Alex. Boon.

R. S. to V. G .- J. O. Powers. L S. to V. G .- S Behrends. R. S. S .- F. LaFella. L S. S .- W. F. LeGwin.

I. G -W. G. T. Keep. O. G -W. M. Hays, Sr. Organist-J. W. Fleet. Relief Committee - Col. Walke Taylor.

A Small Fire.

Fire broke out about 10 20 o'clock last night in a small frame building corner of Seventh and Nun streets, occupied by John Giles, (colored) and owned by H. B. Walker. The Fire Department turned out in response to an alarm from box 51. The fire was speedily extinished and the damage was slight. Th fire was caused by a lighted lamp left in the store by the proprietor.

Eat, Drink and Be Merry. The foregoing is the motto on the new colored poster gotten out by the Seaboard Air Line, offering reduced rates to the commercial travellers' banquet to

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Met Yesterday in Adjourned Session Numerous Applications for Reduction of Tax Assessments Disps ed

O!-Committees Appointed-Reports Received, E c.

The Board of County Commissioners met again vesterday morning at 11.15 o'clock in the Court House. Chairman Foster and Commissioners Moore, Alexander, Dempsey and Nixon were pres-

After the meeting had been called to order, Marsden Bellamy, Esq., the Board's attorney, suggested a correction to the minutes of the last meeting, which was adopted The correction was in regard to the non-acceptance of the late treasurer's bond, which was not correct, as the bond had not been rejected but time given Mr. VanAmringe to make the bond meet all the requirements of

Application from Johnson Bowen to reduce assessment on lot was not granted.

Application from Thos. A. Lawther to reduce personal tax was not granted. Application from S. Behrends to reduce assessment on store No. 9, in block No. 164, from \$15,000 to \$10,000 was not granted.

Application from Jao. W. Smith to be relieved of poll tax was not granted. Rev. Wm. M. Jackson, of St. Mark's Church, was relieved of tax on \$500 personal property, the same being the property of the church parsonage, which is exempt from tax.

Application from Mrs. Ella Rutland to reduce assessment on property, was not

Application from Mrs. B. Kelly to re-

duce assessment on a piece of property on Church street between Fourth and Fifth, was not granted. Application from Henry Tompkins for reduction of tax on twenty-five acres

of land in Harnett township was not Two pieces of property listed by the beirs of Beni. Campbell, was ordered erased, as the same had been listed by

T. C. Miller A reduction of \$800 was made from the assessment of Messrs. Fore and Fos-Sutton, one of New Hanover's Repre- ter's mill at Cas:le Hayne, Harnett sentatives, said to the Raleigh corre- township, this property being damaged

In regard to the assessment of properter, but that there would be no change ty of Mrs. Emma J. Motte and Mr. Jas. in our city government. The Hon. E. Clark, the Board ordered the follow-

It is ordered by the Board that the action of the former Board of Commissigners (taken at the meeting of said Board, held October 5th, 1896.) increasing the valuation of the real estate of Mrs. Emma J. Motte and Jas. E Clark, in block 37 of the City of Wilmington. by rescinded, and the assessment made in 1896 shall remain on said estate, to wit: \$375 on the property of Mrs. Motte

Jas. E. Clark on said block. The National Bank of Wilmington was relieved of paying \$57 50 excess tax and the Atlantic National Bank \$25 00

Commissioner Dempsey introduced the following substitute for a resolution introduced at the last meeting: Resolved. That the care of the County

Home and the House of Correction be contracted for as heretofore, with the exception that the county furnish medicines the same as for the out-door poor. Resolved further. That the contract or the same be awarded to Mr. Thos. A. Watson, at the same price as paid before, viz: twenty-two and one-half cents per Capita.

On motion of Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Dempsey's resolution was adopted.

Commissioner Dampsey also introduced a resolution to elect a standard keeper. Commissioner Moore said he didn't see how the Board could do that, as

they had already elected W. J. Harris to fill that position, and he had presented his bond. Commissioner Dempsey then with drew his resolution.

Oa motion, 'Mr. Harris' bond, with Messrs. Silas P. Wright and W. H. Chadbourn as sureties, was accepted. The chairman appointed the following committees: Auditing and Finance Committee, Moore, Nixon and

Foster (chairman). *Bridges and Roads, Alexander, Dempsey and Nixon. Commissioner Alexander introduced the following resolution, which was laid

the following officers for the ensuing over until the next meeting: Resolved, That the work of shelling and improving the road extending from Wilmington to Scott's Hill, in Harnett township, be resumed without delay. That the work shall begin at a point near the six mile post, where work was discontinued last year, and shall extend

westward along said road towards Wil-Resolved. That all work done upon and material furnished for said road, shall be under the supervision and approval of an overseer appointed by the

The County Physician's report for the month of December was read, as fol-GENTLEMEN:-Daring the month of December, 1896, I have prescribed for

one hundred and eleven office patients,

and made one bundred and thirty-four

visits to seventy-seven paupers. Respectfully W. D. MCMILLAN,

Mr. Wm. M. Hansley was appointed o survey property for Christmas Aysock, in Cape Fear Township.

Applications were received from Thos. F. Bell and Alex Huggins for the position of keeper of Oak Grove cemetery. Alex. Huggins was elected, receiving three votes. On motion of Commissioner Moore

the following was accepted from the different druggists of the city. GENTLEMEN-We the undersigned, druggiste, hereby agree to fill all prescriptions, other than those for articles of a stated price or value, for fifteen cents each prescription. All patent med cines of a stated price or value pre-

scribed shall be charged at that price

with a deduction of 121/2 per cent.

Signed by the different druggist of the

the hour of meeting was changed to 2.80 p. m.

Mr. Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., treasurerelect, appeared and presented his bond in the sum of \$70,000, with Messrs. Jas. H. Chadbourg, W. E. Worth, C. W. Yates, Wm. Calder and J. S. Armstrong, sureties. Mr. Chadbourn justified for \$70,000; Mr. Worth for \$30,000, and Messrs. Calder, Yates and Armstrong for \$10,000 each. On motion, the bond

was accepted. At 2 p. m. the Board adjourned to meet the 14th day of the present month. AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Processdings of the Regular Manthly Meet ing Held Y Gerday Afternoon. The Board of Audit and Finance met yesterday in regular session. Present, Messrs. Wm. Calder (chairman). H. C. McQueen, C. H. Ganzer, C. W. Yates. Tairty-seven coupons, amounting in

the presence of the Board. The Board concurred in the action of he Board of Aldermen in awarding contract for a new sewerage system in the Opera House, City Hall and guard house to the Wilmington Iron Works

value to \$812 50, which had been re-

deemed and cancelled, were burned in

Co. at their bid of \$758 50. The award of contract to Wallace & Parmele for laying shells on Castle street at a cost of \$949 was concurred in Also, contract to the same bidders for aying shells on Third from Dock to Red Cross streets at a cost of \$1,824 75. Also, for shells on South Fourth street, from Market to Ann, at a cost to be in proportion to their bid to shell this street from Market to Cas:le for \$1,008 In the matter of laying shells on North Fourth street from Campbell to Nixon, the Board requested the chairman of the Streets and Wharves Committee to secure bids from Messrs. Wallace &

Parmele. I: was ordered that the contractors be required to do all the grading and filing n required and give bond: and that 10 per cent. of the amount of each contract be retained until the work is completed

and accepted. The Board concurred in the suggestion of the Mayor and Aldermen Springer and Hicks to employ an attorney (in the absence of the city attorney) at a cost of \$10 to defend police officer Sutton, charged with unlawful arrest of E. Highsmith.

Bills were audited and follows: Current expenses, \$5.452.32; ner-Hileman faction of the Populist coupons, \$812 50; express charges on party here this afternoon. Twentycoupons, \$6 25; note to Adrian & Co. | seven Populists were present. The con-\$1,200; interest, \$770; saving fund,

\$1,474 11; refunded taxes, \$106 75. The Board then adjourned.

OPERA HOUSE. Sousa's Band Thursday Evening - The Private Secretary Friday and Saturday. Sousa, the march king, will be at the Opera House to-morrow night with his already large, showing that the Wilmington music lovers are all anxious to hear this justly celebrated composer and band master. "El Capitan," "King Cotton" and "Liberty Bell" will be much in evi-

dence to-morrow night. THE PRIVATE SECRETARY. "The Private Secretary," the comedy work of that great dramatist and actor, William G.llette, will open an engagement at the Opera House Friday evening, January 8th, for two nights and a special Saturday afternoon matinee. The company which will present this masterpiece of play-building is headed by the popular comedian. Edwin Travers. Of the play there is really nothing to say, for all theatre-goers are familiar with "The Private Secretary" and the many laughable moments it has provided for them. The piece is admirably constructed, and its complications are so skillfully devised and its action so continuous that the audience s kept in a constant state of merriment. A number of novel musical numbers not found in the text have been introduced this season, making this by far the best production ever given of this

celebrated comedy. Sale of seats will commence to morrow morning at Gerken's.

ORDER OF HEPTASOPHS

Installation of Officers of Oriental Conclave-A Pleasant Entertainment. The Heptasophs, or Seven Wise Men, Ociental Conclave No. 1, did-things up "brown" last night. The following officers were installed by D. S. A. K. W. lewell and Grand Inspector T. J. Gore: W. C. J. T. Barke, E. A., Geo. L. Lewis; W. P., W.R. Lindstrom; I. G., T. C Bray; Prelate, J. W. Kramer; H., R. L San-

ford: Treasurer, T. J. Gore; R. S., K. W.

Jewell; W., Geo. T. Grotgen; S., Fred

Hicks; Trustees, W. E. Yopp, J. T. Burke and W. R. Lindstrom. After the installation the members of the Conclave and representatives of the press sat around the festive board, which was ladened with everything in the way of refreshments, and made merry. Numerous toasts were given for the order and its members. After supper those present proceeded to have a good time

n general, telling stories, etc. The members of the committee of arangements, which so faithfully performed its duties, were Messrs. W. E. Yopp, T. J. Love and George Lewis.

BY RIVER AND RAIL. Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotto

Yesterday. Wilmington & Weldon R. R .-58 bales cotton, 1 bbl crude turpentine. Wilmington, Columbia & Augusts ter, who claimed to be from New York, R. R.-141 bales cotton, 28 casks spirits and who was arrested some days ago for turpentine, 6 bbls rosin, 91 bbls tar, 8 theft. bbls crude turpentine. Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R .-

7 bales cotton, 84 casks spirits turpentine, 56 bbls rosin, 15 bbls tar. Total receipts-Cotton, 201 bales; spirits turpentine, 57 casks: rosin, 69 to him.

- Mr. J. J. Adkins, of Southport, On motion of Commissioner Moore I was among yesterday's arrivals.

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In the Criminal Court yesterday, cases

Wm. McAllister, assault and battery

with a deadly weapon. Defendant sen-

tenced to 12 months in the house of

Richard Terry, larceny. Sentenced

Heary Dickson, resisting an officer,

Bettie Johnson, assault and battery

with a deadly weapon. Sentenced to

pay a fine of one penny and costs, and

county commissioners authorized to

James Perry, assault and battery with

a deadly weapon. Judgment suspended

LeRoy Perry, assault and battery with

a deadly weapon. Sentenced to twelve

months at bard labor in the house of

Thos. Lucas, resisting an officer. Not

Florence Skipper, slandering Mrs.

At 6 p. m. the court took a recess till

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Wilmington post-

LADIES' LIST.

Batts. C-Miss Chilton. D-Mrs C J Darracutt. E-Miss Joanna E dridge.

G-Miss Carrie Gore. H-Mrs Lizzie

Heathreece, Miss Harsme, L-Lisle-

Geo Mercer. P-Mattie Perry. R-

Miss Cassie Rodgers. 117 Dock stree:.

S-Miss Henrietta St George, Miss La-

vina Stokes, Miss Missouria Sloan, Miss

MEN'S LIST.

T-Master Willie Thorp. Mr Paul Tay.

lor. W-Bill Wright, A R Wortham.

FROM DEAD LETTER OFIFICE.

Howard Harriett, Martin Loftin, Miss

Persons calling for above letters will

please say advertised. If not called for

Referring to the retirement of D:

Henry E. Shepherd from the Presidency

of Charleston College next July, the

Baltimore Sun says: "He will then re-

side in Baltimore, where he will con-

tinue his educational and literary labors.

Dr. Shepherd's published works have

gained for him a distinguished place

among distinguished scholars, his ability

being appreciated on both sides of the

Atlantic" Dr. Shepherd was formerly

Superintendent of the public scho is of

A delightful impromptu german was

given last night by the young men of

the city complimentary to visiting

ladies. Germania Hall was the scene of

happiness and until a very seasonable

hour "joy reigned unconfined." About

which Mr. Arthur Belden led in his

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vertise 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

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dissolution.

bers under the firm name of R. J. Hester & Co. is this day dissolved. Mr G. F. Melvin will continue the bisiness, collect all bills and settle the partner

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFERS HIS SER-

ices to the public as accountant, copyist or in revis-

OPERA HOUSE.

Friday and Saturday Evenings, Jan. 8 & 9

Matinee.

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with EDWIN TRAVERS and a

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Office of Sec'v of W., C & A. R. R. Co.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad Company have instructed the Treasurer to pay to all holders of record of this date three per cent. dividend on the capital stock of that opmpany. Dividend due and payable Monday, January 11th, 1897.

JAMES F. POST, JR.,

School Treasurer and Treasurer.

WILMINGTON, N. C., January 4th, 1897.

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anna Liston, Mrs Victory Lafton,

B-Miss Crissie Biggs, Miss Georgia

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mendation to the mercy of the court.

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ing Fer Caldwell of Stateswille,

Makes a Strong Bid For the Senatorship-Declares in Payer of Free Silver Coinage at Sixteen to One-His Election

Special Star Correspondence RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 5. Senator Pritchard arrived early this morning and took rooms at the Park Hotel, from which he will personally manage his Senatorial campaign. The Senator was beseiged by hundreds of friends on his arrival and assured that

he would receive a re-election. Several

Populist legislators are said to have as-

sured him of their support. The battle begins to-night in earnest when the caucuses get under way. The Republicans will hardly touch upon the Senatorial matter, but there is expected to be a lively time in the Populist caucus. Ed Kesler and the Skinner-Hileman crowd are opposed to admitting any of the leaders, or for that matter any Populists save those who are members of the Legislature. The Butler-Shuford element are for giving every

Populist of good standing admittance. It is said that Butler is preparing to make the speech of his life against Pritchard. He may make it to-night or he may wait until a later caucus. Senator Butler does not care to have the Senatorial matter brought up in the caucus this evening.

The events of the past twenty-four hours have developed the fact that the Populist party is reat in twain by two factions. Butler, through his lieutenants, Otho Wilson and Congressman Shepard, is doing his utmost to accomplish Pritchard's defeat. Allied against the foxy Senator and his allies are Congressman Skinnsr and Hileman of Caparrus. Butler's forces are best organized. Moye, of Pitt, is fighting Skinner in his own district.

To-day it is stated that Butler is pulling for L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville. Judge Russell will reach here on the eleventh. The inauguration will occur the twelfth. Governor Carr's message will be given

out to-morrow. It comprises 80,000 E. P. Hauser, of Lenoir, is against Pritchard. There are half a dozen Populist candidates for librarian.

[Special Star Telegram.] There was a conference of the Sk

ference was called for the purpose of organizing the Pritchard forces in the Populist ranks. Congressman Skinner read a letter from Senator Pritchard in reply to a letter asking him to state his position on the financial question. The substance of the letter is given herewith: I appreciate the position you have Smith, T H Slowe, 508 Walnut street, taken in the Senatorial matter. It peerless band. The sale of seats, which is in keeping with you to deal began at Gerken's yesterday morning, is fairly and I do not expect you to embarrass yourself. By frequent associations I am a strong friend of all the practical reforms contemplated by the Populist party, and you may assure such Populist members of the Legislature as are inclined to vote for me, that I will vote for free coinage of silver by international agreement or by independent action at the ratio of 16 to 1; and further, I will take pleasure to vote to amend the national banking act or system so as to permit farmers, as contemplated by the sub treasury plan, to borrow money upon land and staple crops. Any statement to the effect that have been or am now a single gold standard man is without foundation. It is proper that I must be frank, and I must state that I will not vote for free silver or anything else, simply as a rider

or obstruction to a protective tariff or any other remedial legislation." Congressman Skinner said that after the letter was read the twenty-seven Populist members of the Legislature agreed to support Pritchard, "Seventeen of these," he says, "will bolt the caucus to vote for Pritchard." This insures Pritchard's re-election beyond all thirty couples participated in the dance, doubt. Skinner says Pritchard is as good a silver Republican as there is in accustomed graceful and happy manner. the Senate, but that he is a party man on the tariff.

Mysterious Disappearance of a Young

A. Phantopolos, or as he is most generally known, "Tony," a Greek fruit and capdy dealer on Front street, has had his feelings hart if not his fears aroused by the sudden and mysterious disap-

pearance of his clerk, Adam Wright. Young Wright told his employer shorty after Christmas that he wanted to take a week off, and was granted that privilege on his assuring Mr. Poantopolos that he wasa't going "sporting," as the Greek, with classic elegance put it. So far, so good. But Wright, after packing up his value, went down the street. as he said, for a few minutes, and didn't come back to get his value or to say

good-bye to his employer. While Tony does not know how to account for his clerk's strange behavior. and is anxious for his safety, he does not entertain the slightest suspicion that there is anything crooked in Wright's dealings with himself. For he has had him in his employ thirteen months and With a special Saturday afternoon has always found him strictly honest. He had just paid him all that was due

him, about sixty dollars. It is a little perplexing to Phantopolos, however, that simultaneous with his clerk's disappearance was that of Roy Cleveland, a suspicious charac

It was one week ago last Monday that Wright disappeared. He could not have gone to his home, LaGrange, N. C., for several letters have come from his parents there in the meanwhile addressed It is to be hoped that he will turn up

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