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TO THE PUBLIC.

Friends of THE MORNING STAR will do us a favor by informing us of any failure on the part of newdealers, or newboys on railroad trains, to meet the public demand for copies of this paper.

OUTLINES.

Admiral Camara's squadron is still at Port Said, under pretext of repairing. Shafter's army is about four miles from Santiago, but cannot move until necessary supplies and large guns landed at Baiquiri arrive; a large force of engineers and troops are constructing a road between the two points. Rumored in Madrid that a great battle had taken place at Santiago. A negro charged with assaulting white girls was hanged by a mob at Macon, Mo. Express companies require shippers to pay the tax on packages. Postage stamps cannot be used for revenue stamps unless stamped by the government. "I. R."—One new case of yellow fever reported at McHenry, Miss. Gen. Shafter's headquarters at Siboney beach was connected by telegraph with Washington yesterday at 10 A. M. New York markets. Money on call firmer at 1 1/8 per cent, the last loan being at 1 1/4 per cent. Cotton dull—milling 6 1/2-15c; flour firm and held higher; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 86c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 35c; resin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., June 30.
Temperature: 8 A. M., 78 deg.; 8 P. M., 79 deg.; maximum, 89 deg.; minimum, 74 deg.; mean, 83 deg.
Rainfall for the day, .04; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 4.57 inches.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

For the twenty-four hours ending at 8 A. M. yesterday.
Showers have occurred in the Gulf and Western districts, also in the eastern portion of North Carolina. The temperature changes have been slight. The following heavy precipitation in inches was reported: Alabama, La., 2.54; Waynesboro, Miss., 2.30; Huntsville, Texas, 2.00; Chiriqui, S. C., 2.10.

The pressure continues comparatively high throughout the South and East and in the upper Mississippi valley. A developing storm area is central in western Nebraska, and is gathering high southerly winds in the central Western States. Rain is falling now in the West and cloudy weather prevails in the upper Mississippi valley and Lake regions; elsewhere the weather is mostly fair. Light scattered showers have occurred in the Mississippi valley, Texas and along the coast of North Carolina. Much cooler in the upper Mississippi valley, and slightly cooler in Georgia and South Carolina; elsewhere the temperature continues high.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 2.7 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
For North Carolina—Variable winds, becoming southerly.

Port Almanac—July 1.

Sun Rises 4:45 A. M.
Sun Sets 7:20 P. M.
Day's Length 14 H. 35 M.
High Water at Seaport 5:00 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington 7:30 A. M.

The war is now costing this country \$2,000,000 a day, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that we are not getting licked like the other fellows.

If the Spaniards can't deliver their new explosive Daza, any better than they do other explosives they will not make a dazing success with it.

This is the rainy season in Cuba, but we do not hear so much about the rain of water as we do of the rain of shot and shell, a variation which isn't altogether to the liking of the Spaniards.

It will cost Spain \$122,000 in gold to pay toll through the Canal canal at Camara's fleet, but this isn't a circumstance to the toll that Dewey will collect. He'll demand and take the whole outfit.

The women of the Philippines are said to be fair but fond of dress. Of course they are fond of dress, just like their sisters in other countries, and we expect they show up pretty well on dress parade, too.

If Camara had a flying squadron, he might, if he were really anxious to, finally reach the Philippines, but with a shortage of coal, and not a strong hankering to get there, with a 6,000 mile trip, he is much more likely to turn up somewhere else, nearer home.

Granoble, France, must be a nice town for an economically disposed person to live in. For fifty years it has run a municipal restaurant, where meals are furnished at cost, everything being good and the cooking excellent. One may get a dinner of bread and soup for 3 cents, or if he wishes to put on style can enjoy a dinner in courses for 12 cents, with nothing coarse in the whole lay out.

PROXIES ARE WORTHLESS.

In response to an inquiry from a delegate residing in one of the counties of the Sixth Congressional district as to voting by proxy in conventions, the STAR will say, that there is not a shadow of authority in the plan of organization of the Democratic party for the use of proxies in any Democratic convention. The old plan of permitting delegates to vote by proxy was long since abolished, and now none but delegates or alternates properly elected are entitled to seats in any Democratic convention in this State. Neither the word "proxy," nor any other word of similar meaning, appears in the present plan of organization of the Democratic party, and to permit the use of proxies would be a distinct violation of the plain provisions of that plan.

The exercise he is having, and the climate of Cuba must be good for Gen. Shafter. Before he left Tampa his weight was reported to be 300 pounds even, and now they say it is 320. It is quite natural that the horse which he rides should envy the horse which Gen. Wheeler rides. Wheeler weighs 96.

The Spanish papers which advise the Government when it treats for peace to deal directly with this Government, and thus save the "broker's commission" they would have to pay other nations, are level-headed, and that is a good deal to say for a Spanish paper.

The Brooklyn, N. Y., *Citizen* has promoted Hobson from Assistant Naval Constructor of the United States, to Chief Naval Constructor for the Spanish.

Admiral Camara has the satisfaction of knowing that while he is at Port Said there is a safe distance between him and Dewey.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

D. O'Connor—For rent.
Regatta—Carolina Yacht Club.
I. B. Rhodes—Finest cattle raised.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

W. P. Oldham & Co.—Melons.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. J. D. Mallard, of Wallace, was here yesterday.

Mr. E. J. Bell, of Beaufort, was here yesterday.

Mrs. Geo. E. Leftwich is spending some time at Carolina Beach.

Col. Fleming Gardner was among the visitors to the city yesterday.

Mr. S. P. Ruggles and wife of Southern Pines, spent last night in the city.

Mr. D. O'Connor and family have gone to Carolina Beach for the season.

Mr. G. M. Murrill, of Cronly, was one of the visitors to the STAR office yesterday.

Miss Annie D. Taylor, of Oxford, is the guest of Miss Nellie Emerson on Ocean View beach.

Miss Willie Skinner, of Oxford, arrived in the city yesterday and is visiting Miss Mary Wooten, on Third street.

Miss Serena Chabourn returned yesterday from Chabourn, where she spent some time, the guest of her brother.

Mr. B. F. Keith returned last evening from Wadesboro where he went to attend the Populist Congressional Convention.

Mrs. J. B. Harrell and children returned yesterday from Sloop Point, where they spent the past week. Rev. Mr. Harrell returned from the same place Wednesday.

Misses Jennie and Ophelia Langston, daughters of Rev. G. D. Langston, of Market street Methodist church in this city, returned home yesterday from Hyde county where they have been teaching school.

Mr. Greek O. Andrews, the general business manager of our esteemed contemporary, *The Morning Post*, of Raleigh, arrived in the city yesterday morning and is now registered at Seashore Hotel on Ocean View beach.

Off for the Philippines.

Mr. R. H. Paddison, the clever and efficient telegrapher, who has been with the Wilmington and Newbern railroad for a number of years, joined the government signal corps a few days ago and left Raleigh last night for San Francisco, where he will embark in a few days for the Philippines and serve as an operator for the United States government.

Mr. Erwin Galloway, another townsman, sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines day before yesterday as a soldier.

Harbor Master's Report.

The harbor master's report for June shows arrivals of vessels at this port as follows:

American—4 steamships, 3,388 tons; 2 brigs, 538 tons; 9 schooners, 4,312 tons; total, 8,188 tons. Foreign—1 steamship, 848 tons; 1 barque, 306 tons; total, 1,154 tons. Total American and foreign—17 vessels, 9,342 tons.

No mineral waters in the world is superior to that of Jackson Springs for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Insomnia, Nervous Prostration or Kidney, Bladder and Stomach troubles. Read advertisement in the STAR.

REVENUE TAX STAMPS.

A Small Supply Received in Wilmington Disappeared Very Rapidly.

LAW IS IN EFFECT TO-DAY.

Description of Stamps—Railroad Companies and Other Corporations' Large Purchasers—The Tobacco Tax and Other Features.

Cashier Lee H. Battle, of the Atlantic National Bank, placed on sale yesterday the documentary and proprietary stamps that must be used in any number of ways from to-day on, in accordance with the laws of the United States. He had only \$150 worth to start with, and these were practically all gone by 2 o'clock. Mr. Battle promptly telegraphed to Collector E. C. Duncan for more and will be able to meet the demands of the public when the new consignment arrives. Col. Walker Taylor was the first purchaser of internal revenue stamps.

The proprietary stamps are of six denominations, as follows: 1 cent, green in color; 2 cent, salmon; 3 cent, blue; 1 cent, green; 2 cents, brown; 4 cents, purple. Of these and of the regular one-cent postage stamps with the letter I. R. for Internal Revenue stamped on them and which can be used either as proprietary or as documentary stamps, the druggists were the largest purchasers. The one-eighth stamp has to be placed on every medical proprietary article and article of perfume, cosmetics, etc., which retails for 5 cents and under. Two one-eighth stamps have to be put on an article retailing for between five and ten cents. A three-eighth stamp is used for articles between ten and fifteen cents; a five-eighth for articles between fifteen and twenty-five cents, and a five-eighth stamp for each additional twenty-five cents. Four cents in stamps must be placed on every box of chewing gum that retails at not more than \$1.00 and four cents for each additional \$1.00.

Mr. Janius Davis, receiver of the Bank of New Hanover, was a large purchaser of documentary two-cent stamps, as on to-day he will pass out numerous checks in payment of the dividend of seven per cent, that is due the creditors of the bank. All of these checks will, of course, have to bear a two-cent internal revenue stamp.

Perhaps the corporation which will use the internal revenue stamp to the greatest extent in Wilmington will be the Atlantic Coast Line, as the revenue law requires that a one-cent stamp be placed on every bill of lading issued. This of course does not apply to the duplicate and triplicate bills of lading that shippers frequently take for their convenience. Only the original paper is stamped by the railroad, while the others must be stamped by the shipper. It is quite likely that shippers will dispense with duplicates, to some extent at least, now that they have to be stamped. As there are hundreds of shipments every day it is easy to see that the Coast Line's daily bill for internal revenue stamps will foot up quite considerably, and the other railroads and transportation companies likewise, in proportion to the amount of business done. The Southern Express Company makes the shipper pay for the stamp, as it is claimed the express tariff cannot be raised to make up for the deficiency. Both the Southern Express Company and the other large transportation concerns will buy their stamps from headquarters.

An interesting feature of the law is that the buyer of money orders, after paying the fee, is obliged to put a stamp on the order.

Special Deputy Collector Perkins has been busy for the last day or so taking inventories of the stocks of tobacco, cigars and snuff that the different merchandising establishments have on hand. The tax on tobacco and other special tax articles, as those to be paid by bankers, brokers, proprietors of theatres and others are not paid in adhesive stamps, but have to be forwarded to Collector Duncan at Raleigh or paid to his special deputy here. About this, however, there is some uncertainty, and Special Deputy Collector Perkins says that it will be several days before the law gets to working smoothly.

COLORED BOY DROWNED.

Fell Into the River Near the Foot of Dock Street.

A colored boy aged about twelve years fell in the river yesterday afternoon near the foot of Dock street and was drowned. He was trying to pass a pile of wood near the edge of the wharf about twenty steps below the southern side of Dock street, and caught hold of a piece of the wood so that he drew himself from one side of the pile of wood to the other. The wood slipped and the boy went overboard.

The tide was making in swiftly and by the time the boy had sunk the second time he was off the northern side of Dock street. Joe Quince, colored, and several others saw him there but were not able to do anything to get him out. Only slight efforts were made to recover the body. The boy was said to be a stranger here, having come from South Carolina.

There will be another race at the Seashore Hotel next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt returned last evening from New York.

LOCAL DOTS.

Dr. McMillan's "Friday," old "Uncle" Joe Gray, is on duty at the health office again, after a severe illness.

The regular, bona fide circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

The detachment of troops from Washington arrived according to expectations yesterday morning and proceeded to Caswell on the steam tug Buck.

There was a colored "high noon" marriage yesterday in Squire R. H. Panning's office. The contracting parties were William Lemmons and Dolly Ann Smith.

There will be an important meeting of Eyota Tribe No. 2, Improved Order of Red Men, to-night. There are to be five leaves added to the chief's degree, besides the installation of officers.

Yacht owners who wish to be in the regatta to be sailed on the Fourth must be sure to enter their boats before to-morrow afternoon with Mr. J. Van B. Metts, chairman of the Regatta Committee.

Manly Silvy, colored, was fined \$2.50 and costs yesterday in the Mayor's Court for disorderly conduct. His escape from the city prison Wednesday night made his case somewhat aggravated.

Mr. Joseph Gore, of Shallotte, sends the STAR a cotton bloom from the farm of Mr. J. Dewette, Greenswick. Mr. Gore writes that both cotton and corn crops are looking very well for the time of year.

A delightful evening is in store for every one who attends the Friday evening hop at the Atlantic Yacht club house to-night. The entertainment committee is sparing no pains in their efforts to make these occasions of more than usual pleasantness.

Register of Deeds C. W. Norwood will be at his post in the court house to-day for the first time in several weeks, having only returned from Washington Wednesday night, after a course of treatment in a hospital there. His injured leg is thought to be very much improved.

A gentleman who was in Goldsboro yesterday tells the STAR that there were about 600 colored troops on the A. & N. C. train, bound for Fort Macon. He also saw Sergeant C. D. Myers, of Company K, who has been ordered to Fort Macon to assist in mustering in the colored troops.

It was reported about town yesterday that John Marshall, who is stationed on the *Nantuxet* at Port Royal, was severely injured by a box falling upon his head, cutting a severe gash. His father, Rev. J. R. Marshall, has not been able to ascertain the facts.

BACK FROM THE MARRIAGE.

Wilmington Attendants Upon the Leach-McClammy Nuptials Returned to the City Yesterday Evening.

Messrs. John D. Bellamy, Jr., Sr. D. O. Bunting, Jr., and George L. Peschau, who were attendants at the marriage of Miss Celestia Estelle Leach to Herbert McClammy, Esq., which was happily celebrated Wednesday night, returned to the city yesterday afternoon. As has been previously announced in the STAR, the marriage occurred at the home of the bride's parents at Gully's Mill about 15 miles from Raleigh. Mrs. Margaret P. McClammy, mother of the groom, also arrived home from the wedding.

To a STAR reporter Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., 3d, spoke in most complimentary terms of environments and ceremonies which distinguished the occasion. The wedding was at 9:30 o'clock and the residence, a splendid country place, was ablaze with variegated lights and prettily decorated with palms and La France roses. There was a beautiful wedding ball. The special music was by Miss Sudie Edmondson.

The bridal party, in the order of their approach to the altar, was as follows: Miss Eliza LeMay, with Miss Lou Young; Dr. J. R. Edmondson, with Lieut. R. H. Cowan; Miss Claudia Leach, with Miss May Young; Mr. T. O. Bunting, Jr., with Mr. George Peschau; Miss Bessie Brown, with Miss Mary Hadley; Mr. Carl Leach, with Mr. Doane McCulloch; Miss Nannie Leach (maid of honor and sister to the bride), with Mr. John D. Bellamy, Jr., 3rd (best man).

Dr. W. C. Norman, of Raleigh, performed the ceremony, after which a supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. McClammy are making a tour of places of interest North. They will be at home at No. 304 Market street after July 10th.

Canoe Race at Wrightsville.

The sojourners at Wrightsville beach were treated to an interesting performance yesterday afternoon in a canoe race for the benefit of the Shelter of the Silver Cross. The entries were *Mic Mac* by Capt. Burke Bridges and *Hopbiter* by Capt. Neill Emerson. The *Mic Mac* was the winner.

The race was over the banks channel for a distance of five or six miles and was in the face of a heavy squall. It was very close, as the *Mic Mac* came out ahead by only three minutes. Mr. George Chabourn was the judge of the race.

There will be another race at the Seashore Hotel next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt returned last evening from New York.

DEATH OF MR. JNO. R. LATTA.

A Well Known and Highly Respected Citizen of Wilmington—For Many Years an Official of the A. C. L.

Mr. John R. Latta, auditor of the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, and a well known citizen of Wilmington, died at his residence, 308 North Front street, yesterday evening at 7:30 o'clock after a very brief illness. He was stricken with paralysis about eight months ago but had about recovered from its effects, when a second one came yesterday shortly after dinner. He was at his desk in the Coast Line offices during the morning and left for dinner about 1:30. Soon after he was seized with paralysis and never regained consciousness.

Mr. Latta was born in Fayetteville on September 10, 1835, and was a son of Mr. John C. Latta. He came to Wilmington when about ten years of age.

For several years before the war he was engaged in the mercantile business. On November 29, 1869, he was married to Miss Kate Ralston, of Georgetown, S. C. She, with three sons, Willie L. Latta, Dozier L. Latta and Linwood D. Latta, survive the deceased.

Mr. Latta was a trusted official of the Atlantic Coast Line, and had been connected with branches of the system for the past thirty-four years. He had held various positions in the railroad service, among them pay master of the Manchester & Augusta Railroad. Of late years he had been auditor of the W. C. & A. Railroad.

The officers of the road held him in high esteem and speak with unstinted praise of his fidelity in the discharge of his duties. As soon as his sudden sickness and death became known, some of the leading officials of the road hastened to his home to tender their sympathy to the family.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church numbered Mr. Latta among its most useful members. He was active in its organization, and was one of the trustees and also a ruling elder. He was a member of Cornelius Harrell Council, Royal Arcanum, and of the United Confederate Veterans, having served as adjutant of the 13th N. C. Regiment, Confederate States Army.

The funeral will take place from St. Andrew's church this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

THE SITUATION AS IT IS.

Excavations of Earth Within the City Limits Must Stop for the Summer.

There has been much dissatisfaction among a number of Wilmington's best citizens of late regarding the excavations of earth being made about the city under the protection of permits from the Board of Health. It will be of interest, in view of this fact, to know that, according to the ruling of the Board, all this sort of work, except special emergency cases, was stopped yesterday evening. In fact, it was with this understanding, so says Dr. McMillan, superintendent of health, that permits have been issued at all during the past month.

The STAR reported on last Monday a resolution, adopted by the Board, which provided that no breaking of the surface of the earth inside the city limits would be allowed after July 1st except in case of absolute necessity. This, Dr. McMillan thinks, will be strictly adhered to by the Board. The city ordinance bearing upon the issuing of these permits provides that from October to June they shall be issued at the discretion of the superintendent of health, and from June to October by order of the Board of Health only. Exception is made of course in case of the bursting of water or sewer pipes and similar emergency cases where immediate attention is imperative, when the superintendent of health issues the permit without reference to the Board.

It is to be hoped that there will be no occasion for complaint during the remainder of the Summer.

CAPT. A. C. WILLIAMS.

A Well Known and Popular Steamboat Man, Died at Gray's Creek, Cumberland County, Wednesday.

The numerous acquaintances of Capt. Archie C. Williams, will hear with genuine sorrow of his death, which occurred Wednesday morning at his home at Gray's Creek, Cumberland county. He is very well known here, especially to the business men, as he was mate and captain of several of the river boats, including the *R. A. Hovee*, and the *Frank Sossom*, the *A. P. Hart* and the *D. Marchison*. He began work on the river as mate with Capt. J. C. Smith, whose daughter, Miss Della Smith, he married. He was a son of the late John A. Williams, who was one of the most prominent citizens of Cumberland county.

Capt. Williams had been in bad health for over a year, and had been confined to his room for about a month. He is survived by his wife and two children, a boy and a girl. The funeral took place yesterday at 10 A. M. at Fayetteville from St. John's Episcopal Church and the interment was made at Cross Creek Cemetery in that city.

Mrs. J. C. Smith, of this city, the mother-in-law of the deceased, had been at his bedside for some time.

On account of the annual reunion, United Confederate Veterans, Atlanta, Ga., July 20th-23rd, the S. A. L. will sell round trip tickets to Atlanta at \$3.70 for the round trip; tickets to limit July 17th, 18th and 19th; final limit July 31st.

RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Increase in Valuation of Railroad, Telephone and Telegraph Properties.

NEGRO TROOPS MUSTERING.

Passing Through Raleigh En Route to Fort Macon—The Clark-Kilgo Controversy—New Ruling of the Civil Service Commission.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., June 30.

Three cars filled with negro troops from Rutherfordton, Hamlet and Maxton passed through here to-day at noon, en route to Fort Macon. Three of the men jumped off the train at New Hill and took to the woods.

The Clark-Kilgo controversy is creating great comment. *The Morning Post* "roasts" Judge Clark.

Three more cars with negro troops passed on the Southern road, 32 men from Charlotte, 33 from Concord and 35 from Durham, all bound to Fort Macon.

The new ruling of the Civil Service Commission ordering that all store keepers and gaugers receiving less than \$500 per year are to be appointed at discretion of collector, will give Collector Duncan appointment of 150 men at a early date.

[Special Star Telegram.]

The First regiment and the negro battalion will be paid from April twenty-seventh. This was obtained by Adjutant General Cowles.

The valuation per mile of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad is now eighteen thousand, since increase \$78,219 by the Railroad Commission last night. This is only on the main line, no side track being included in the increase. The total increase on all railroads amounts to \$4,753,106. Telephone and telegraph companies are also increased, making the total increase in all valuations, \$5,591,454 for the ensuing year. This will cause the railroads to pay fifty thousand dollars taxes in excess of last year.

THE THIRD DISTRICT.

Chas. R. Thomas, of Newbern, Nominated by the Democratic Congressional Convention.

[Special Star Telegram.]

CLINTON, N. C., June 30.—At the Democratic Congressional Convention held here to-day Hon. Chas. R. Thomas, of Newbern, was nominated on the fourteen ballot. The other candidates before the convention were Messrs. W. S. Cook of Cumberland; T. E. Gilman, of Onslow; A. D. Kerr, of Sampson; and D. H. McLean, of Harnett.

The best of harmony prevailed, and the convention was one of the largest and most enthusiastic ever held in the district. W. E. Murchison, of Moore, was chairman of the convention.

FOURTH OF JULY RACES.

There is Every Assurance of Both Exciting and Ludicrous Contests.

Bicycle enthusiasts are looking forward with eager anticipation to the racing feature of the Fourth of July celebration on Ocean View beach. The features of the races have been decided upon, and all are now open entries and those who expect to enter the lists should call and see Mr. M. P. Taylor, Jr., on Market street as early as possible, not later than to-night.

There will be a fat man's race, an old man's race, a boy's race, two races open to members of Carolina Yacht Club and L. A. W., a sack race, a cheslarbow race, and last but not least a donkey race in which several boys will ride little donkeys. The time for the races has not been definitely settled, but it is more than probable that 10 A. M. will be the hour. They will be run certainly not later than 12 M.

AT SOUTHPORT QUARANTINE.

essel From Para, Brazil—Had One Death on Voyage From Fever.

[Special Star Telegram.]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., June 30.—The Danish barquentine *Anna*, which arrived at quarantine to-day is twenty-four days out from Para, Brazil. The captain reports the death by fever at sea of one of his men. It may have been yellow fever, and Dr. A. R. Thomas, quarantine physician, has put the *Anna* in ten days quarantine, and will thoroughly disinfect her.

V. S. STRICKS.

[It is highly probable that the death referred to above was from yellow fever; but it should create no alarm in Wilmington. But our people will not be in a mood to welcome the *Anna*, if destined for this port, even after "ten days" quarantine.—STAR.]

Wilmington Lodge.

Wilmington Lodge No. 139, I. O. O. F., elected officers last night as follows:

S. P. G.—D. D. Cameron.

N. G.—B. J. Jacobs.

V. G.—C. Gaston Evans.

R. S.—J. M. McGowan.

Treasurer—T. J. King.

They will be installed at next meeting night.

City-Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

IN HONOR OF MISS BUSBEE.

A Delightful Complimentary Reception By Miss Annie Kidder Last Night. Notable Social Event.

Wilmington society folk were thrown into a state of delightful expectancy a few days since by the reception of fashionably designed cards announcing that Miss Annie Kidder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kidder, would receive her friends on Thursday evening, June 30th, in honor of her guest, Miss Eliza Busbee, of Raleigh.

Last night the spacious Kidder bryne, corner Third and Dock streets, was consequently aglow with light and resonant with merriment, there being gathered there in response to the invitations more than three score of the city's fashionable young people besides a number of visitors. Miss Annie Kidder did the honors of hostess with thorough ease and ideal success, charmingly assisted by the guest of honor, Miss Busbee.

Besides the well appointed and luxuriously furnished apartments of the residence there were rustic seats on the lawn, the latter having been quite a popular retreat. In the house there was dancing during almost the entire evening. Indeed a round of pastimes of unusual enjoyment was provided by the charming young hostess in abundance of reasonable refreshments was served.

The reception was in progress until past midnight. Visiting ladies present were Miss Stephens, of Newbern, and Miss Cameron, of Raleigh.