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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Report of the Nicaragua canal commission declares the construction of a canal across the isthmus entirely feasible, and recommends the Lull route as the best. — Seaboard Air Line, the Southern and the Atlantic Coast Line competitors for the purchase of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad, property bought by the A. C. L. — Jail in Raleigh guarded to prevent lynching of the negro Smith who cut the throats of two white boys in Johnston county. — The situation in the Philippines is regarded as serious; the War Department is without advice from Gen. Otis. — Wells Fargo Express Co.'s delivery clerk at San Antonio and a package containing \$60,000 are missing. — The entire board of directors of the Moran, Ks., bank are in jail, charged by depositors with violating the banking law in that State. — S. L. F. Almond, a merchant at Coopers, Ga., who absconded with some \$40,000 has been arrested in California. — The Third North Carolina regiment (negroes) will probably be retained in service. — New York markets: Money on call firm at 2 1/4 per cent., the last loan being at 2 per cent.; cotton steady; middling uplands 5 1/2; flour was steady and unchanged, wheat—spot weak; No. 2 red 70 1/2; corn—spot weak; No. 2 11 1/4; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm at 45 1/2 @ 46.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 29.
Temperature: 5 A. M., 49 deg.; 8 P. M., 57 deg.; maximum, 67 deg.; minimum, 41 deg.; mean, 54 deg.
Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since last of the month up to date, 2.38.
Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 5 A. M., 5.1 feet.
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, December 28.—Forecast for Friday—North Carolina—increasing cloudiness, much colder, westerly winds, Friday night, fresh southerly winds, becoming southwest early.

Port Almanac—Dec. 30.

Rise 7:11 A. M.
Sun set 4:54 P. M.
Day length 9 H. 43 M.
Tide at 9:25 A. M.
Wilmington 11:55 A. M.

Admiral has a towering ambition.

See whether you "the tower."

Trust has been pulling

the price of wire will be off by January 1st.

An English woman who was broke

by rosters, turned broker herself, with the principle that "the hair of the dog is good for the bite."

With the retirement of Rear Admiral

Bacon, Rear Admiral Dewey, the biggest man in the navy, comes to the front as its ranking Rear Admiral.

A Buffalo, N. Y., paper proposes

to solve the question "what to do with our ex-presidents," by making them U. S. Senators at large. But they are not all large enough for that.

A Memphis oculist has performed

the surgical feat of grafting part of a raven's eye on the eye of a blind girl and restoring her sight. The eyes had been attacked by some disease that destroyed the sight.

It is said that the tunnel from

which John Morgan's men escaped from the Ohio penitentiary has been found again. They had better bell it this time so it can't get away any more.

Passing a bill to increase the regular

army to 100,000 men may not be such an easy thing to do, but it will be easier than getting 100,000 men for the army, for the average American has no hankering for army life, as a regular thing.

A thrifty San Francisco man who

some time ago provided himself with a coffin lived to the age of 102 years. A San Francisco coffin manufacturer published this fact with an eye to business thinking it would boom the coffin trade.

Mr. Nicum, the Indiana professor

of that "perpetual light," says he will make a public exhibition of it some time in January and show the scientists some things they never dreamed of and at the same time knock the stuffing out of some of their pet delusions.

Adjutant General Corbin said in

his testimony before the Investigation Committee that he didn't think the War Department contemplated war before it was declared by Congress, and was therefore unprepared for it. And yet the party in power is claiming the glory of having declared the war for the sake of humanity and of having prosecuted it to a successful issue. But it went into the war because forced in by public sentiment.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Many Important Matters Considered at Special Meetings Held Yesterday.

MR. C. H. WHITE ELECTED

Assistant to City Clerk and Treasurer. Large Per Cent. of Applications for Renewal of Whiskey Licenses Illegally Made.

Pursuant to the call of Mayor Waddell, the Board of Aldermen met in special session yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Members present were: Aldermen West, Hanby, Skelding, Taylor, Spencer, Montgomery, MacRae, Worth and Sprunt.

Mayor Waddell presided and stated that the object of the meeting was to definitely settle the matter of appointing or electing an assistant city clerk and treasurer, and also to receive applications for licenses for the sale of liquors.

The question as to whether or not the Board of Aldermen had the legal right to appoint an assistant for the city clerk and treasurer was introduced by Alderman MacRae who read the city attorney's opinion with regard to the matter, and also one from Junius Davis, Esq., touching the same matter.

Alderman Taylor also read some legal opinions and a reply to the question as to whether or not the Board of Aldermen had the legal right to appoint an assistant for the city clerk and treasurer was introduced by Alderman MacRae who read the city attorney's opinion with regard to the matter, and also one from Junius Davis, Esq., touching the same matter.

The father of Gen. Marchand, the French officer who made that celebrated march in Africa, is a carpenter, who is very proud of his boy, who he wed his way to success.

It is said that when Gen. Garcia

died he left his widow and daughter in poverty, and patriotic Cubans are now raising a fund for their benefit.

Mr. Jonathan Norcross, the man

who built the first house in Atlanta, died about a week ago, aged 91 years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Legal—Notice in bankruptcy.

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C. W. Yates—New Year presents.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Mrs. C. H. Bonham—Farm for sale.

WILL PLAY FAYETTEVILLE.

The Pick of the O. A. N. and A. C. L. Elevens Will Go to Fayetteville Monday.

Captains Sinclair and Hatch, respectively

of the O. A. N. and A. C. L. football elevens, request all the members of the two teams to meet on the vacant lot at the corner of Front and Castle streets, at 8 o'clock to-night, for the purpose of picking a team to go to Fayetteville Monday.

Arrangements are about perfected

for the trip and there is little if any doubt that the game will be played. The principal feature of the agreement is that the Fayetteville team shall allow the Wilmington team \$75 for expenses and the condition has been acceded to. The Fayetteville team will have to do some bang-up playing if they interest the Wilmington elevens, as its members will be the pick of both the A. C. L. and O. A. N. teams which played here on last Monday.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Henry E. Faison, of Clinton, was in the city yesterday.

—Mrs. R. T. Bennett, of Wadesboro, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. M. Cronly.

—Col. C. S. McCall, of Bennettsville, was a welcome visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. J. H. Royal, of Clinton, N. C., is in the city, and made the STAR office a pleasant call last night.

—The STAR had a pleasant call yesterday from Mr. Ben Hardy, traveling representative for the Raleigh News and Observer.

A Pleasant Party at Orton Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Ellis, of Atlanta, and Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Carter, of Baltimore, are the guests of Col. and Mrs. K. M. Murchison at Orton plantation. As has been previously reported, Miss Marie Murchison recently arrived from New York. Mrs. James Sprunt, of this city, is also spending several days there. They make a delightful company and are spending a merry Christmas in a quiet way at the splendid Orton lodge.

The New Bladen Street Pastor.

Rev. B. B. Culbreth, the new pastor of Bladen Street Methodist Church, arrived yesterday with his family, and is cozily installed in the parsonage, corner Bladen and Fifth streets. They were met at the depot by stewards of the church and driven to the parsonage, where the ladies of the church had a sumptuous luncheon ready to serve. Rev. Mr. Culbreth will preach his initial sermon as pastor Sunday.

Go to Glencoe Lodge.

Miss McIntyre, of New York, was in the city several hours yesterday en route to Glencoe Lodge, in Onslow county, where she will spend some time. She was accompanied by Miss Painter of Washington, D. C.

ELABORATE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL LAST NIGHT.

By the First Baptist Sunday School. Tasteful Decorations—Interesting Programme—Candy, Etc.

Last night in the assembly room of the First Baptist Church the Sunday School gave an elaborate Christmas entertainment, during which there were many admirably rendered songs and recitations by younger members of the school and gifts in the way of candies and fruits were presented to the delighted children.

The apartment was prettily decorated, a conspicuous feature of the decorations being a well proportioned Christmas tree tastefully trimmed and laden with special presents. There was a very large attendance. It was impossible for many to get even standing room.

The exercises were opened with a stirring rendition of "The Messiah" by the school. There was a fervent prayer by Dr. Blackwell, followed by another song by the whole school. It was "Wake The Song of Glory."

The school joined in responsive scripture reading and afterwards in the singing of "A Bright New Joy." Little Miss Mary White recited in quite a taking manner "A Merry Christmas To You All."

The infant class sang quite sweetly "The Blessed Christmas Story." And little Willie Brown tendered the audience a cordial "Youthful Welcome." Little Nellie MacRae recited quite sweetly "The Loving Little Girl," at the conclusion of which the school joined in singing "The Blessed Christmas Morning."

Quite an attractive feature of the programme was the appearance on the stage of twelve little boys and girls, each bearing a beautifully formed letter of the alphabet. They presented to the audience "On Earth Peace." The little folks were Arthur Struthers, Homa MacRae, Lela Keith, Adeline Keith, Leone Battle, Lucy McIntyre, Maggie MacRae, Lela Morrill, Arny Berry, Laura Wesley, Lucille Riley and Lina McDaniel.

Three bright little girls rendered a pretty exercise entitled "The Old Time Bells." They were Estelle Sikes, Fannie Hewitt and Maggie Hanes. There was also an interesting dialogue in which seven boys were the participants. They were Calvin Blackwell, Jr., Perry Smith, Leland Whitney, Earl Webb, James Prempert, David Marshall and Lem King.

Little Edith Pritchett was most heartily received when she appeared and recited in an especially sweet manner "Searching for Santa Claus." She was attired in a dainty night robe, and carried a lighted candle.

Miss Ethel Holden read "Jesus is Born To-day" as a solo, and Misses Sallie Alderman and Bessie Brady recited "The Two Mollies." There was another selection of music by the school, after which the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Blackwell, and the distribution of candy and other gifts to the children was in order. During the exercises earlier in the evening a collection was taken as a Christmas offering.

The committee in charge of the programme was Dr. Blackwell and Mrs. Carpenter Jones.

The special decorations were under the direction of Mrs. C. Oscar Byrley and her Sunday school class of young ladies. Mrs. L. H. Battle directed the music and served as organist.

It was a delightful entertainment and reflects great credit upon all who participated.

SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT

Grace Sunday School Tender Members a Regular Christmas Feast in City Hall Last Night.

The Christmas entertainment by Grace M. E. Sunday School, held in the City Hall last night, was very largely attended, was very much of the ordinary and thoroughly enjoyable.

Instead of the usual programme of Christmas music and recitations, an abundance of ice cream, cake, candies and fruits was provided and every member of the school amply supplied.

Under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Garrett and Mrs. W. F. Corbett the hall was prettily decorated. "Welcome" in evergreen was suspended in the alcove back of the stage. There was a large pyramid piled with boxes of candy and fruits of all kinds in the centre of the stage. Twined tastefully all about the end of the hall were pretty evergreen trimmings.

The first feature of the evening was an address of welcome by Rev. A. P. Tyler, to which Rev. B. D. Culbreth, the new pastor of Bladen street church, responded on the part of that school. Rev. Mr. Tyler invoked the blessings of God on the occasion and the audience old and young were thereafter served to cream, cake, candies, fruits, etc.

The committee on arrangements was as follows: Mr. J. H. Davis, superintendent; Mr. R. C. Merritt, assistant superintendent; Dr. W. C. Galloway, Mr. W. W. Hodges, Col. Roger Moore, Mr. J. D. Kirby, Mr. J. H. Berry, Mrs. Kate Shaw, Mrs. W. W. Hodges, Mrs. W. M. Hankins, Mrs. Roger Moore and Mrs. George Powell.

Fire at Residence of Junius Davis, Esq.

A telephone alarm of fire was received by the fire department this morning at 1:18 o'clock from the residence of Junius Davis, Esq., 312 South Third street. The fire was in the sitting room, and was occasioned, so the firemen report, by a defective flue. The damage was about \$20.

LOCAL DOTS.

Monday will be generally observed as the New Year's holiday.

L. V. Grady, Esq., is confined to his room on Market street with chills and fever.

License has been issued for the marriage of Miss Etta Sue to Mr. Frank Alford, both of this city.

There were no cases on the Mayor's docket yesterday morning and consequently there were no cases disposed of.

A number of the city prisoners are being employed in painting and otherwise improving the general appearance of the City Hall.

Rev. R. F. Bumpass and family are now occupying the Methodist District Parsonage on Grace, between Fourth and Fifth Streets.

A watch night service will be held at Grace M. E. Church tomorrow night, beginning at half-past eleven and closing at a few minutes past twelve o'clock.

Mr. W. S. Wishart, formerly with Worth & Co., ice manufacturers, of this city, is reported quite ill in Lumberton. He has been confined to his room since September 17th.

Licenses for marriage were issued to two colored couples by the Register of Deeds yesterday. They were Lula Williams to Jno. D. Graham, and Lizzie McDuffie to George Brown.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will hold a Christmas service this evening at 8 o'clock in the school building at Sixth and Princess streets. A Christmas tree will be a feature of the entertainment.

MANY HANDSOME AND RICHLY ATTIRED LADIES.

Grace L'Arroso German Club's Christmas Dance Last Night—A Dainty Souvenir Presented to Each.

L'Arroso German Club gave quite a brilliant German last night in Germania Hall. The event was graced by an especially large company of ladies and was especially distinguished for the unusual elegance and richness of many of the costumes they wore. They were truly handsome and richly attired company of ladies. Space, however, will not admit of detailed reference to costumes.

The German was led by Mr. Warren Johnson and souvenirs were presented to each of the ladies in attendance. They were exquisite pearl crescent stick pins.

Those in attendance upon the german were: Miss Helene Trenholm, of New York, with Mr. Fred Dick; Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy with Mr. Michael Schenck; Miss May O'Connor with Mr. Ed. H. Munson; Miss Masie West with Mr. E. P. Willard; Miss Lillie Bellamy with Mr. A. P. Munson; Miss Hawkins, of Tarboro, with Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr.; Miss Rosa Bailey, of Winston, with Mr. A. P. Adams; Miss Emma West with Mr. Neil Emurian; Miss Olive Armstrong with Mr. William J. Bellamy; Mr. Warren Johnson with Miss Hattie Bellamy; Miss Loda Martin with Mr. Charles Taylor; Miss Annie Lee with Mr. R. G. Rankin, Jr.; Miss Octavia Boatwright with Mr. J. Hill Bunting; Miss Lucile Boatwright with Mr. M. C. Elliott; Miss Lina Wiggins with Mr. E. M. Chase; Miss Rosa McPherson with Mr. Woodruff King, of Philadelphia; Miss Jennie Peck with Mr. Champ McD. Davis; Miss Mary Calder with Mr. S. M. Boatwright; Miss Wright, of Portsmouth, with Dr. Kirby Collier; Miss Della Clark with Mr. Jas. Stevenson; Mr. and Mrs. A. Skelding, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Boatwright, Capt. and Mrs. Donald MacRae, Mr. and Mrs. Gouverneur. Lieutenant Harry McIlhenny was in attendance as a stag.

MR. W. A. FARRISS ASSIGNS.

Stock, Store Fixtures Etc., of Palace Bakery Conveyed to Herbert McClammy Esq., as Assignee.

The STAR announces with regret the assignment of Mr. W. A. Farriss, proprietor of the Palace Bakery, on Market street. The deed was filed in the Register of Deeds' office yesterday afternoon.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., is named as assignee and Mr. Farriss conveys to him the stock, store fixtures, accounts, etc., in the Market street Bakery, all the stock stored at No. 17 South Second street, the store room formerly occupied by Mr. Farriss as a salesroom. Also delivery wagons, horses and other personal property.

The homestead exemption of \$500 is reserved. There are no preferred creditors; all are to share alike.

Mr. Farriss has been very bad health the past two months or more, which has necessarily affected his business considerably. However, he thinks he would have had no trouble in stemming the tide had not certain small creditors used undue haste in efforts to force the payment of bills.

As yet no estimate has been made of the assets or liabilities. However, Mr. Farriss hopes to so adjust his affairs that he can resume business very soon in the present splendid establishment which he but recently fitted up, making it one of the most beautiful and complete establishments of the kind in the South.

The STAR trusts that his hopes may be realized and that he may "resume business at the old stand" shortly.

SALE OF C. F. & Y. V.

Bought by Mr. H. Walters for the Atlantic Coast Line System.

COMPETITION WAS STRONG.

From the Southern and S. A. L.—Road Brought \$3,110,000—Rolling Stock Sold Separately—Bought by A. C. L. for \$15,000.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., December 29.—In accordance with a decree of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina on the 31st day of March, 1897, the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad was sold here to-day, together with all of the rights, titles, interest and property thereon belonging. "Secondly and separately from the aforementioned property," all rolling stock belonging to the Yadkin Valley Railroad Company, mortgaged to the Farmer's Loan and Trust Company, was also sold. Mr. Eugene Martin, of Wilmington, Master Commissioner, conducted the sale.

Promptly at 12 o'clock noon the commissioner commenced the reading of the decree, describing and enumerating the property and prescribing the terms of the sale. The bidding was opened by a bid of \$2,000,000, and increased every five minutes by \$5,000 to \$10,000, until three million dollars had been named; thereafter, \$1,000 to \$3,000 was the rate of increase until the final bid of three million, one hundred and ten thousand dollars closed the contest, and the first parcel named in the decree was knocked down to Mr. H. Walters, President of the Atlantic Coast Line. Mr. Walters was a prompt and spirited bidder from the beginning, and his demeanor indicated a determination to buy the road. Among the bidders were representatives of the Philadelphia & Reading, the Southern, the Seaboard Air Line, and the Baltimore bondholders. Among the gentlemen representing the various interests were the following:

Messrs. Harry Walters, R. D. Cronly, Warren G. Elliott, President W. & W. J. Jennings, Davis and George Rountree, attorneys A. C. L.; J. W. Norwood, President Atlantic National Bank; Herbert Borden, private secretary to President Walters; R. C. Hoffman, president, and E. St. John, vice president, Seaboard Air Line; Samuil Gill, president, W. H. Blackford, president of Baltimore bondholders; John Spencer, president of Southern; Geo. M. Rose, attorney, representing the P. & R. Railroad Company; and Geo. V. was closed on the first bid, made by Mr. Harry Walters, at \$15,000.

It has been impossible up to this hour (3:45) to get any information as to the future management of the road from any one connected with the Coast Line, all are reticent. The people of this city, however, believe that the future of Fayetteville is to be favorably affected. The relations between the Coast Line officials and the C. F. & Y. V. railroad have been of an exceedingly pleasant nature, and there has been a gradually increasing desire on the part of our citizens that if the road is to be preserved in the hands of those whose interests were more vitally connected with the old town, that it should go into the hands and under the management of the Coast Line.

We dreamed the prospect of a loss of the revenue to the town from the shops and the displacement of Fayetteville employes. The prospect now is that this town being the most suitable site for the location of the shops on the line between Charleston and Wilmington, the shops there may be enlarged and the work of both the Yadkin Valley and Coast Line will be concentrated here. It is true our city will suffer somewhat from the loss of railroad competition, but our river transportation facilities and the railroad commission may so adjust rates as to eliminate this question from serious consideration.

The effect upon the interests of Wilmington is a question which is more easily regulated and decided, or conjectured, by your own people.

Viewing the effect upon both cities, we are forced to the conclusion that we will suffer less than if the C. F. & Y. V. had been sold to either the Southern or Seaboard.

A system of general improvements will be inaugurated, and the C. F. & Y. V. in all of its equipments will be brought up to the high standard of excellence peculiar to the Atlantic Coast Line.

Stimulating up public sentiment, your correspondent would say that Fayetteville is pleased with the sale.

H. EVE.

OFFICERS ELECTED LAST NIGHT.

Wilmington Lodge No. 139, I. O. O. F., last night elected the following officers to serve during the ensuing term, to-wit:

S. P. G.—B. J. Jacobs.
N. G.—T. Gaston Evans.
V. G.—J. W. Monroe.
R. & F. S.—J. M. McGowan.
Treasurer—J. T. King.
General Relief Committee—J. J. Hopkins.

UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC CLUB.

Seats Being Rapidly Reserved for the Entertainment To-night—The Double Bill Full of Fun.

At the Opera House to night the University Dramatic Club will render their two bright and laughable comedies, "Little Rebel" and "Evening Dress." As the STAR has repeatedly asserted, the occasion is one toward which the people of the city are looking with especially pleased anticipation. There will be several opera parties. In fact, society will attend well nigh on masse. And a brilliant success will in all probability be scored by the clever, talented and cultured young gentlemen who compose the University Dramatic Club.

The entertainment will be little if any more than two hours long, and will sparkle with fun.

The cast of characters is made up of the very best talent at the University, and the players have their parts down to perfection. Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., of Wilmington, is stage manager, and the stage settings of both are very pretty. The names of the young men composing this year's club were published in the STAR some days ago. They are: Mr. Geo. D. Vick, of Selma; Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., of Wilmington; Mr. Graham Woodard, of Wilson; Mr. Everett A. Lockett, of Winston; Mr. John R. Carr, of Durham; Mr. L. F. Harris, of Chapel Hill, and M. O. D. Graver, of Pennsylvania.

For about two months at Chapel Hill the boys have been at hard practicing to make this year's club even more of a success than before. They have presented their plays in a number of places and the press notices are very complimentary.

The club showed last night in Wilmington and they were greeted with a large and fashionable audience who were much pleased with the presentation. The prices are 50 and 75 cents.

Tickets are on sale at Gerken's and seats are being rapidly reserved.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice December 29th, 1898.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Della, Fannie Barden, E. A. Burnett, Ada F. Carter, Ray Clifton, Callie Dangerfield, Liza Everett, Lucinda Farmville, E. B. Gooden, Francis M. Harris, Julia Johnson, Maria Jernan, Martha Kimlor, Ida Lewis, Davis McNeal, Tillie McCoy, Lucy Martin, Luvenia Madison, Patrick Maron, Maggie May, Annie McLaughlin, Carrie Stockies, E. W. Short, Lethy Scott, Kate Stevenson, Wm Seguin, Aline Turkington, Richetta Taylor, Addie Wood, Davis Williams, Latha Walls.

MEN'S LIST.

G. W. Bryan, John Brown, Thos J. Bacon, Willie H. Brown, Connel Caldwell, H. Coffey, J. H. Campbell, Lamar Carb, B. I. Dand, J. C. Grimes, William Gastin, J. A. Hankins, Louis Hosler, Peter Hill, Steve Hemby, Walter Hundly, Kelly, C. N. Lawrence, Roy C. E. Murray, J. A. Mann, Laurence McLangtry, Robt T. Parton, T. S. Prospero, H. F. Remington, Harry P. Raymond, J. D. Robbins, L. L. Robertson, Alram Roberson, Richard Rodgers, Stepen Rattley, W. J. Rans, W. B. Robins, Geo. V. Strang, Geo. Stanley, J. Simon, W. P. Straghan, Wm Savage, B. D. Townsend, W. Willson, C. H. Williams, Ed Williams, G. H. White, J. C. Watson, Josh Williams, S. W. Willson, W. C. Walker, James Wright.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Violet Dolphue, E. W. Kibler.

JUSTICE FOWLER'S COURT.

Small Colored Boy Tried for Larceny Under Peculiar Circumstances.

William Brown, a twelve-year-old colored boy, was tried by Justice Fowler yesterday afternoon for the larceny of a desk, the property of Luther Williams, an industrious colored man, who works at a power house of the Street Railway Company. The parties concerned live in an alley leading from Church street, between Sixth and Seventh, and the evidence showed that on Christmas eve the Brown boy, in company with his mother, went to Williams' house to bake a cake in his wife's stove. Williams' wife had occasion to leave the house for some reason and in a very few minutes fire was discovered on the premises and the Brown boy was seen by Rulf Herrmann, a small white boy, to jump over a fence with the desk and disappear.

Later, a number of insurance policies, which were in the desk, were returned to Williams by the Brown boy's mother.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared as counsel for the defendant. He was unable to fail to await the decision of Justice Fowler, which has been reserved until to-day.

RALEIGH'S JAIL GUARDED

To Prevent Lynching of the Johnston County Murderer—Another of His Victims Died Yesterday.

[Special Star Telegram.]
RALEIGH, December 29.—Winfrey Cawthorne, the white boy who was cut by the negro Smith, when Smith murdered Charles Cawthorne in Johnston county, died yesterday. The jail here is guarded because of reports that lynching parties from Johnston are on their way here. An effort was made to have Smith put in the State penitentiary, for safety, but Merbone refused to receive him.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.
One Year, by Mail, \$6.00
Six Months, " 3.50
Three Months, " 1.85
Two Months, " 1.00
Delivered to Subscribers in the City at 45 Cents per Month.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BUY CHRISTMAS GIFTS That Are Useful.

Johnson & Fore,
No. 111 Market street,
are showing a most beautiful line, including

Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Table Linens, Silk Waist Patterns, Dress Patterns, Hosiery, Gloves, Stamped Linens and Embroideries.

STORE WILL BE OPEN TILL 10 P. M. DURING THIS WEEK.

HIGHWAY MONOPOLY.