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LOCAL DOTS.

— For other local see fourth page.
— The cutter *Algonquin* arrived in port yesterday morning.
— The Produce Exchange will be closed to-day on account of the holiday.
— A dark green lap robe was lost on the streets yesterday. See business local column.
— Christian Science service in the Masonic Temple, Room No. 10, to-night at 8 o'clock.
— The schooner *Abbie G. Cole* passed out at Southport at 7 A. M., yesterday and the British steamship *Riftwood* at 1:30 P. M.
— December was a record-breaker as to marriage licenses. Twenty of the certificates were issued to white couples and 24 to colored.
— The regular monthly business meeting of the N. C. Sorosis will be held to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at its club room on Fifth street.
— The STAR returns thanks to the Robert-Portner Brewing Co., Mr. Otto Bank, manager, for an exceedingly attractive calendar for the New Year.
— There will be a regular monthly meeting of the Dorcas Society to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Lutheran Memorial Building. A full attendance is desired.
— The Pannill Paint and Paint Solder Manufacturing Company has opened an office at No. 116 North Water Street, next door to the D. L. Gore Company's store.
— Announcement is made of the coming marriage of Miss Mary Lena Styron, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Lena Styron, of this city, to Mr. Walter G. Croom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. M. Croom, of Burgaw, N. C.
— Notwithstanding the statement by many that Xmas, 1901, was one of the dulllest in years, the arrests by the police for the month of December were 114. Of this number, 54 of the offenders were white and 60 colored.
— The city and county public schools and many of the private institutions of learning will resume their terms to-morrow. Teachers, who spent the holidays at their homes in different parts of the State, are returning on nearly every train.
— Mr. Furney Gooding was the victim of an exciting experience Monday night. He was driving to his home after night-fall from the mill where he is employed. His horse became frightened at a dummy street car used in hauling soil from the princess street paving and ran away. Mr. Gooding was thrown from his road cart and painfully bruised.
— Charlotte Observer: "An Odd Fellow regalia that was captured somewhere in this section of the State during the civil war, has been sent to Mr. J. G. Shannonhouse by a lady in Washington City. Her object is to have the regalia restored to its rightful owner. It is a regulation Odd Fellow regalia and was captured by Federal soldiers. On the regalia is the name of J. W. Leland. This should be sufficient to locate the owner."

Committee Meeting this Afternoon.
The joint committee appointed by the commercial bodies of the city to make an effort to secure a double daily passenger service on the Carolina Central railroad between Wilmington and Hamlet will meet at 8 o'clock this afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, North Front Street. It is probable that a delegation of business men will visit the officials at Portsmouth in their efforts to secure the service. The committee is composed of Messrs. L. B. Rogers and H. W. Malloy, of the Produce Exchange; T. W. Clayton and L. Bluestenthal, of the Chamber of Commerce; W. E. Worth and Geo. R. French, of the Merchants' Association, and Messrs. W. B. Cooper and J. H. Waters, of the Wholesale Grocers Association.

L'Elite German Club.
One of the prettiest Germans of the season was dancing last night in the handsome Masonic Temple ball room by L'Elite German Club, composed of the younger society set of Wilmington. The ball room was handsomely decorated and the music was by the Carolina Orchestra, of Raleigh. Mr. Platt W. Davis gracefully led with Miss May Ella Bankin and about thirty couples participated. The chaperones were Mrs. W. G. Fulliam and Miss Belle Anderson.

A Fine Wild Turkey.
Chairman D. McEachern, of the Board of County Commissioners, yesterday received a very fine wild turkey as a New Year's gift from Mr. W. H. Shearin, superintendent of the convict squad at Castle Hayes. It was killed near the camp and was one of the finest wild fowls ever seen in the city.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
M. H. Croom—New saloon.
Opera House—"Sag Harbor."
E. Warren & Son—Ice cream.
Fishplate Clothing Co.—Thanks.
Atlantic National Bank—Dividend.
A. D. Brown—Happy and prosperous Wilmington Gas Light Co.—Quick.
Carolina Ins. Co.—Dividend notice.

BUSINESS LOCALS.
Lost—Lap robe.
A. J. Marshall—Residences for sale.
The C. W. Polvogt Co. wish their friends and patrons a Happy and Prosperous New Year and extend to them a cordial welcome during 1902.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Appropriate Ceremonies On the Streets and in the Churches Last Midnight.

MANY XMAS ATTRACTIONS.

Watch-Night Services by Grace, Fifth Street and First Baptist Congregations—Holiday Exercises at Many Other Churches.

Locally the new year of 1902 was ushered in last midnight with appropriate ceremony, much of the same nature as has characterized the passing of the old and the approaching of the new in former years. On the streets many gave vent to their feelings by the exploding of fireworks and the harbor craft on the river cheerily welcomed the new year with the chiming of bells and blowing of whistles. Factory engineers also contributed to the fitness of the hour and everywhere pervaded a feeling of sorrow at the passing out of the old mingled with a spirit of pleasant anticipation at the coming of the new.

In several of the churches the occasion was made a fervent one of prayer and song. Congregations bowed in silence, thanked God for the blessings for the past and invoked Divine counsel and guidance for the very appropriate watch-night services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole, beginning at 11:15 o'clock. There was a large attendance and the exercises were much enjoyed. The service consisted of scriptural reading, song and prayer. Appropriate remarks were made by the pastor and as the bells tolled midnight the congregation was engaged in prayer led by Mr. W. W. Hodges and followed by Rev. Mr. Cole. The congregation arose singing, "Lord, in the Strength of Grace, with Glad Heart and Free, Myself, My Residue of Days, I Consecrate to Thee." This was followed by the benediction and a happy exchange of New Year's greetings.

The watch-night services at Fifth Street M. E. church were conducted by Rev. John H. Hall and were of an impressive nature. Song and prayer went up from the congregation and a highly appropriate address was made by Rev. Mr. Hall after the reading of a Psalm. At midnight the congregation was engaged in silent prayer and after dismissal the congregation engaged for some time in hearty hand-shaking and well wishing for the New Year.

At the First Baptist church from 9 to 12 o'clock a most charming entertainment was given by the young ladies. The programme consisted of a vocal quartette by Misses Shepherd and Barnes, Messrs. Westbrook and McGeechay; duet by Miss Foster and Mr. Rorke; vocal solo by Miss Annie Taylor, recitation by Mrs. Rorke and violin solo by Miss Foster, accompanied by Miss Fannie Corbett. Each number was heartily enjoyed and recalled by unstinted applause. The Gypsy camp was beautiful with Miss Whitney, Miss Higgins and Miss Everett as fortune tellers. With many cords attached to the bell rope the young ladies rang out the old and rang in the New Year at midnight. A very neat sum was realized for refurbishing the Sunday school room. The service concluded with the singing of the doxology and benediction by the pastor. This was followed by a merry exchange of New Year's greetings.

Many of the Sunday schools which had not given their Xmas entertainments earlier enjoyed them last night, and all were of an elaborate and pleasing nature.

At Brooks Baptist Church.
The holiday entertainment last night by the Brooklyn Baptist Sunday-school was fully up to the measure of enjoyment of similar occasions in previous years. The church, beautifully decorated, was thronged with happily-faced children, each of whom received a pretty Christmas card filled with candies and fruits. An enjoyable programme of music and recitations was observed and all the children who participated showed careful and painstaking training at the hands of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gore, who had this feature in special charge. The general committee of arrangements consisted of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gore, Superintendent J. M. McDougall, of the Sunday School; Rev. J. J. Payson, pastor of the church, and Mr. A. W. Allen.

The following was the programme observed:
Song, "Welcome," Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gore, Mrs. J. W. Harper and Capt. J. O. Wiggs.
Welcome, Lillian Woodard.
"O' Nativity" Mrs. Jackson.
Christmas Delights, Dottie Bell.
"The New Baby," Theo. Harris.
Group by four boys.
Song by the school.
"Santa Claus and his Reindeer," Ida Murrell.
"Christmas Directions," James Duke.
"A Little Child's Christmas," Will D. Barrow.
Group (the month) by twelve little girls.
"Annie and Willie's Prayer," Will D. Barrow.
Song by the school.
"The Shepherd's Carol," Mamie Montgomery.
"The Sweet Old Story," Bertha W. King.
"Christmas Surprise," Mattie King.
"Group Bells" by girls.
"Group from Santa Claus," Barrett Duke.
"A Wonder," Ennis Murrell.
St. Matthew's Lutheran School.
St. Matthew's English Lutheran Sunday school, North Front street, enjoyed its annual Xmas festival last

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

Long List of Attractions That Will be Seen Here in the Near Future.

MR. O'NEILL IN MONTE CRISTO.

Manager Schloss Gives It His Personal Endorsement—Mabel Paige Coming. "Where the Laugh Comes In" On Its Feet—Other Notes.

"A Breezy Time"—This attraction will be at the Opera House for two performances to-day, matinee and night. The company carries its own band and orchestra and will give a free concert at noon. Matinee prices 25 cents for everybody. This company appeared at Newbern recently and the Journal of that city says it gave a thoroughly enjoyable performance.

"Monte Cristo"—The most interesting theatrical event of this season here will perhaps be the appearance of Mr. James O'Neill and a notable cast at the Opera House to-morrow night in Liebler & Co.'s production of "Monte Cristo." The scenic embellishments are said to be gorgeous, and the realistic effects almost marvellous. The plot and the incidents are said to surpass anything of the kind ever seen on the American stage. How well they succeeded can best be seen from the following description: "The play now stands on for three months last season in New York, six weeks in Chicago and six weeks in Boston. Seats are now on sale.

"Sag Harbor"—This attraction is booked to be at the Opera House next Friday night. An editorial in the Boston Transcript has the following beautiful essay: "You come away from an evening in 'Sag Harbor' at peace with yourself and all the world, and with the pleasant thoughts imaginable for the place and its inhabitants for having put you in this rarely beautiful frame of mind. You've had your emotions just comfortably ruffled—not harassed or harrowed—and you have had the heartiest of laughs punctuating the whole evening's enjoyment. Seat sale begins to-morrow at 8 o'clock. Price \$1.50, \$1.00 and 50c.

"Innes' Band"—This famous musical organization will be seen at the Opera House to-night week and the next. The program is said to be played on the night previous.

Personal Card From Manager Schloss.
Manager S. A. Schloss, of the Opera House will with the following signed card as to the appearance of "Monte Cristo": "In announcing the attraction that appears at the Opera House to-morrow night, Mr. James O'Neill in Liebler & Co.'s production of 'Monte Cristo,' I am particularly anxious to say to you that as a dramatic performance I will have nothing better to offer this season. Liebler & Co. are the largest theatrical managers in the world, controlling the choicest attractions now before the public and their name is an absolute guarantee. It is seldom that the smaller cities get both the original cast and production, as in the case of this instance, and our people can be assured of witnessing the identical performance as ran all last season in New York city. Respectfully,
"Manager Opera House."

Corporal's Body Not Found.
The STAR was misinformed as to the finding of the body of Corporal LeClair, who was drowned several days ago at Fort Caswell. Although a persistent search has been made and a large amount of dynamite used, no trace of the drowned man has been discovered and the most generally accepted theory is that the body has been swept out to sea. Dr. C. H. LeClair, brother of the drowned man, has returned to Uniontown, Pa., and is leaving it is learned that he offered a reward for the finding of the body.

Merchant and Boat Owner.
Mr. A. M. Williams, a merchant of Phoenix, N. C., and Capt. Herbert Ward, master of the steamer *Euch*, engaged in an affray at Market dock yesterday morning. They had a dispute over some wood and an epithet applied to Mr. Williams by Capt. Ward brought on the difficulty. No serious damage was done and each of the defendants in a case before Justice Fowler, paid the costs and were dismissed. Mr. Williams had previously submitted and paid the costs to another magistrate. Capt. Ward appealed his case to the higher court.

To Bid Adieu to Pastor.
At South Side church to-night an informal farewell reception will be given the pastor, Rev. K. H. Herring, who will leave soon for his new work at Mt. Airy. All members and friends are requested to be present. There will be important business to transact by the congregation of the church.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. A. F. Powell, of Vineland, N. C., is at the Orton.
— Col. A. H. Slocumb, of Fayetteville, arrived in the city last evening.
— David J. Lewis, Esq., of Whiteville, is in the city on a professional visit.
— Mayor Cook, of Fayetteville, was a passenger on the *Hurt*, which arrived yesterday.
— Mr. J. Buck Cooper returned last night from Kenansville, where he spent the holidays.
— Misses Timie and Alice Pridgen returned home from Canetuck, N. C., where they spent Xmas.
— Miss Ida Black, of Burgaw, and Miss Ethel Black, of Jacksonville, Fla., were arrivals in the city yesterday.
— Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the Wilmington graded schools, returned to the city last night.
— Mr. H. C. Moffitt, Clerk of the Superior Court of Columbus county, spent yesterday in the city on a business trip.
— Mr. Louis Weil, a former Wilmington boy, now of Columbia, S. C., is in the city shaking hands with a host of friends.
— Miss Eliza Love, of Asheville, and Miss Robbie Mallard, of Greenville, are guests of Mrs. T. D. Love, South Front street.
— Mr. C. M. Baldwin and wife who have been visiting Mrs. Baldwin's brother at Grovetown, Ga., have returned home.
— Mrs. Neill McQueen and daughter, Miss Sallie, of Gray's Creek, came down to the city yesterday on the steamer *Hurt*.
— Messrs. Allie J. Mitchell, Dave Sinclair and a number of friends left last night to spend New Year's Day at the Charleston Exposition.
— Mr. A. P. McAllister, editor of the *Robesonian*, Lumberton, N. C., is in the city on business connected with his excellent paper.
— A. W. McLean, Esq., president of the Bank of Lumberton and member of the legal firm of McLean & McLean, is in the city on a business and professional visit.
— Messrs. D. B. Sinclair, L. B. Wiggs, J. D. Davis, A. J. Mitchell and W. S. Register left last evening to get a "bird's eye view" of the Exposition at Charleston, S. C.
— Mr. H. M. Wiggs, of Norfolk, Va., after spending the holidays with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. O. Wiggs, left last evening for Charleston, S. C., to "make in" the Exposition.
— Mr. Geo. E. Leftwich, formerly of Wilmington, but now of Greensboro, arrived in the city last evening, and is being cordially greeted by his innumerable friends here. It is hoped that Mr. Leftwich and his excellent family will return to Wilmington to live.

NEW WHOLESALE GROCERY.

Messrs. Croom & Hunt Will Open Their Doors on Water Street To-day.

Croom & Hunt is the style of a new wholesale and retail grocery firm which will open business to-day at No. 110 North Water street, the store formerly occupied by Mr. T. D. Love. The members of the firm are Mr. Z. V. Croom, a popular young business man, formerly with Mr. L. W. Davis, of this city, and Mr. F. P. Hunt, of Point Caswell. Both are enterprising gentlemen, and their many friends wish them an abundant success.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
New Saloon—New Goods.
The undersigned respectfully invites his friends and the public generally to call on him at No. 2 North Second street for anything in his line. My goods are all fresh, shall handle nothing but the best. Liquors, Cigars and Tobacco.
Jan 1st
Opera House
Wednesday, January 1st.
MATINEE AND NIGHT.
"A Breezy Time."
Big company of funny fellows and pretty girls. Watch for the Golf Club Band. Parade at noon. Prices 25c, 50c and 75c. Price Matinee 25c for everybody. Dec 29 31

Opera House
FRIDAY, JANUARY 3RD.
Liebler & Co.'s Beautiful Production of "SAG HARBOR."
As produced at the Theatre Republic, New York.
Martha Boone—Miss Chrystal Home.
"A Symphony of the Sea Shore." Jan 1st

DIVIDEND NOTICE.
The Directors of the Carolina Insurance Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent., the same being payable to stockholders of record on January 10th, 1902.

Taylor's Studio will close at 2:30 o'clock on New Year's Day.

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M. S. WILLARD,
Jan 1 2t 1 \$ Secretary.

WE EMBRACE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF THANKING

Our customers, one and all, for their patronage during the past year, and trust we will merit a continuance of the same.

Happy and Prosperous New Year.

FISHBLATE CLOTHING CO., DISTRIBUTORS OF High Grade Clothing.

QUICK AND CONVENIENT!

Gas Heaters and Gas Radiators, Lighted Instantly. No trouble No Dirt.

Wilmington Gas Light Co.

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL!

I take this method of extending the greetings of the season to my many patrons and the public generally. The passing of 1901 has not been free of the ups and downs of life, and there are many things for which we are thankful. The ushering in of 1902 finds us still at the helm endeavoring to navigate our business with the same success and fidelity as in the past and with even a greater disposition to cater to the wants of this city and surrounding country. In my efforts in attaining success I'll ask the aid of my patrons in making PROMPT PAYMENTS of their accounts. FOR SUCCESS THIS IS NECESSARY. Thanking one and all for past, and soliciting your future patronage.
I am sincerely,

A. D. Brown,
Dry Goods and Carpets.
No. 29 North Front Street, Wilmington, N. C.

OPERA HOUSE.
Thursday, Jan. 2.
Most magnificent scenic encompasements ever seen on American stage.

Mr. James O'Neill,
In Liebler & Co.'s stupendous spectacular production of
THE GREATER
Monte \$75,000 Invested in Gorgeous Embellishments.
Seat Sale Open Tuesday, December 31.
Prices 25 cents to \$1.50.
Direct From Huge Stage of the Academy of Music, New York.
Star Cast Includes Frederic De Belleville,
James O'Neill, Jr., Warren Conlan, W. T. Dixon, Claude Gilbert, Joseph Slaytor, Edward Lally, Edgar Forrest, Mark Ellsworth, Miss Selene Johnson, Kate Fletcher, Virginia Keating, Rebecca Hook and fifty others.
CURTAIN RISES AT 8 P. M. SHARP.
Jan 1st 2t 1 \$ Secretary.