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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

House yesterday passed 173 pri- pension bills. —— Lloyd Gris-, now minister to Persia, will inted minister to Japan. —— city treaty with Cuba singned rans. —— The British gov- s disclaims responsibility for ing of Venezuelan warships. request of the Venezuelan nent the State Department at gion has submitted arbitration s to Great Britain and Ger- —— Defensive preparation, at s are being pushed; great pa- monstrations are being made. s reported that the plan of the and German forces is to seize of LaGuiara and Puerto Ca- —— Germany denies that the an vessels were sunk, and that Great Britian participa- ever action was taken. —— Winston-Salem; loss $175,000. al troops were called out to bull and dog fights at Rock C. —— Trains in collision at st, N. C.; two passengers in- —— Train wreck on the Rock oad; engineer and fireman —— The allies threaten to the town of Puerto Cabello. Senate Committee on Educa- Labor yesterday heard ar- for and against the eight hour N. Y. markets: Money on at 6@12 per cent.; cotton 8.55c; flour was quieter but dily held; wheat—spot easy, ½c; corn—spot quiet, No. 2 —spot firm, No. 2 37½c; rosin ined common to good, $1.77½ pirits turpentine 54@54½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, MINGTON, N. C., Dec. 12.

ological data for the twenty- ending at 8 P. M.:

ratures: 8 A. M., 54 degrees; 3 degrees; maximum, 65 de- imum, 52 degrees; mean, 58

l for the day, .18; rainfall f month to date, 2.09.

f water in the Cape Fear Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 7 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

GTON, Dec. 12.—For North Rain Saturday, fresh to winds; Sunday fair and

Almanac--December 13.

	7.02 A. M.
	4.46 P. M.
rgh	9 H. 48 M.
er at Southport	5.58 A. M.
ter Wilmington	8.28 A. M.

ll the talk about the horse egated, there is something t. A fellow was sent to entiary a few days ago in nia for stealing one.

osebone way of forecasting rs was brought from Ire- Burke county, Pa., some- re the Revolutionary War, urke people honk on it yet.

are said to be a species of New Jersey which, when y dogs, will climb trees. e are New Jersey trees. ain, it may be only New rs.

Orleans paper thinks it is at there should be five- the qualified voters of that neither register, pay poll vote. Perhaps they are not ducements enough.

Louis Judge has decided n a man spends $135,000 a franchise, there must be n. Not necessarily: it only extravagance in pay- then was necessary.

scrimmaging around since a soft Government snap, essman Bynum, who bolted cratic party in that year, uded to give up the chase his living in some other

w York policeman who ar- coal dealer for delivering Sunday didn't feel so smart judge discharged the man aid was violating no law. eman was not discharged counts.

id that the Peruvian rub- s are playing out, and the nters must now seek sup- he forests of Bolivia. Bad have destroyed forests der better methods would d for many years yet.

onument of his gratitude ring of his crippled child Lorenz, J. Ogden Armour t in Chicago an institute ree treatment of crippled which will cost $3,000,000, be in charge of Dr. Fred- eller, a co-worker of Dr. so that the affliction of r. Armour's child was cured e a blessing to thousands flicted children. It is said ilar institution will be es- by wealthy men in New

CONCERT LAST EVENING.

Hollowbush's Orchestra Gave Delightful Entertainment in Y. M. C. A.—Selections From Faust and Carmen.

The concert last evening in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium by Hollowbush's Orchestra, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Association, was enjoyed by an audience which was necessarily not large on account of the very inclement weather, but it was select, and judging from the applause, it was appreciative to a marked degree. Nearly every number was closed with an enthusiastic encore which in nearly every instance was graciously responded to.

The vocal selections by Mrs. Samuel Jennings Springer from *Faust* and *Carmen* were charmingly and delightfully rendered. These were among the most popular numbers on the programme and gave evidence of great talent with the singer.

The "Forge and Forest," an idyl of the woods, by the Orchestra with electrical effects, was one of the features of the concert which gave unmistakable evidence of professionalism. The scene opens in night-time, day breaks; the chirping of crickets is heard; the "bob-white" of the quail, and above the sound of the murmuring of the mill stream is heard the cries of barn yard fowls; the chapel bells strike five; morning prayers; the smithy comes to work; the forge goes into operation, and the grand finale is a beautiful anvil chorus with electrical effect.

The programme was as follows:

PART ONE.

Overture..Poet and Peasant..Suppe.
Orchestra.
Cornet..Choir Boy's Dream..Lumbert.
Mr. C. W. Hollowbush.
Concert Waltz...Wilhelmina...Hall.
Orchestra.
Vocal...Flower Song....From Faust.
Mrs. Samuel Jennings Springer.
Idyl of the Woods..Forge and Forest.
Orchestra.

PART TWO.

(a) Twilight Whispers
(b) Tittle's Serenade... ..Laundereau.
Zither.....Fantasia.....Profe.
Mr. Fred Profe.
Vocal....Habanera....From Carmen.
Mrs. Samuel Jennings Springer.
Clarionet. Polonaise Serenade. Missued.
Mr. Carl Cordier.
Cosy Corners.....March.....Steward.
Orchestra.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Tar advanced to $1.60 on the local market yesterday.

— Rev. A. T. King will preach to-morrow morning and night at the First Baptist church.

— There was no quorum last night for the regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Camp of Veterans.

— A boy who is experienced in feeding job presses may secure employment by immediate application at the STAR office.

— Dr. Geo. C. Worth will be the special speaker at the meeting for men at the Y. M. C. A. at 5 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

— The schooner *Glenfield* in tow of the tug *Alexander Jones* passed out at Southport for New York shortly after midnight yesterday morning.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: "Tom Monroe, the negro who has been in jail charged with the robbery of $800 from station agent Waddell at Manchester, and who was to have had his preliminary trial to-day, has been discharged, the prosecution giving up the case against him."

— By deed filed for record yesterday Marsden Bellamy, Jr., commissioner, transferred to Mrs. Mary L. Burbank for $4,650, residence and lot on east side of Fifth street, 204 feet south of its intersection with Market street, 62 feet on Fifth street and running into the block 165 feet.

— A small fire at the home of Amos Scott, colored, No. 512 Brunswick street, caused a damage of about $10 and called the Department out at 7 o'clock yesterday morning in response to an alarm from box 16. Some children were playing in the fire and ignited some bed clothing in the room.

Narrow Escape From Drowning.

Mr. Willie Weeks, who is an engineer for the Atlantic Fisheries Co. at Old Brunswick, had a narrow escape from drowning near the foot of Market street yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock. He had just boarded the steamer *Southport* to return to the factory down the river and the boat was leaving her wharf when he attempted to walk the rail of the steamer around some freight piled on deck. He toppled with the movement of the steamer and went overboard in a jiffy. A rope was thrown to him from the steamer and he was pulled up on deck not a minute too soon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. T. Burke—For you to say.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Fresh candies.
Academy—"John Martin's Secret."

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notice—Any person.
Wanted—Bookkeeper.
Lost or Stolen—milk ticket books.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas radiators.

Receiving and opening goods daily. J. T. Burke, The Jeweller. †

Ordinary cough remedies are dangerous to give babies. Anway's Croup Syrup is made for children's coughs and croup and colds and will certainly cure them. Ask to see testimonials. 5 cents at Robert R. Bellamy's. †

THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

Wilmington Merchants Are Already Enjoying Blessings of Christmas Season.

MANY ATTRACTIVE DISPLAYS.

Shopkeepers Are a Little Earlier Than Usual This Year, But the Public Doesn't Mind — A Time of Joy and Gladness.

One has only to pass one of these bright afternoons or evenings along the retail shopping district of Wilmington to be convinced that the Yuletide is fast approaching. The streets are lined with holiday buyers, principally ladies, and about each counter in every store whege holiday wares are for sale there are groups of eager, enthusiastic shoppers, who are on the qui vive for some article or articles that will be pleasing to this or that friend, relative or acquaintance; for Christmas is essentially a season of gift-giving and that the gift shall be something appropriate and, perhaps, not too costly are always important items that enter into the consideration of a purchase.

This year, if anything, the shopkeepers have their wares on display a little earlier than usual, a fact which the buying public seems to have appreciated, for already many merchants say their sales of Xmas goods have gone away ahead of what they were this time last year. From early morn to dewy eve—a slightly shop worn expression—clerks are as busy as bees and they find little consolation in the knowledge that Christmas is yet nearly two weeks off and that the rush will grow more and more intense until the greatest of all American holidays is passed.

Among the early Christmas shoppers this year are many people from the country, who came down on morning trains and return in the evening. The greater number this season is construed to corroborate the current opinion that not in a long time have times been so prosperous in the country. People from the smaller towns want something a little better than usual and they come to the larger markets for their purchases. The city people are also buying more lavishly and earlier this year than usual, so shopkeeyers say, and the indications are that Christmas 1902 will be one of the happiest of the new century. Holiday novelties that were put on the counters early and met with especial popular favor from the start have all been sold by some merchants and new orders made with instructions to rush them in time for Christmas week, when the trade will reach its zenith.

Not a few of the stores have inaugurated "holiday openings" and these have proved very popular. Next season will probably see all the stores falling into this custom. The book stores and jewelry stores, of course, are receiving the bulk of the gift trade, but it is not confined to them alone. Nearly all the stores where dry goods and notions are sold are "right there with the goods," too, and have attractive holiday lines. The clothing and shoe stores and hardware establishments are also getting their share of the novelty trade and the drug stores, as a rule, have an attractive line of novelties that will sell.

Of course, the fruit and confectionery establishments will do a land office business, but as most of the goods sold by them are of a perishable nature, their "big days" will come Christmas week. The grocers are not to be forgotten in the count and the same is true of the bakers, but their day is to come next and the week after. The good housewife always has a tempting menu for Xmas dinner, supper and breakfast as well, and the grocer, baker and fruiter must all contribute their share of delicacies.

Many of the stores have already been forced to increase their delivery facilities and still greater increases will have to be made next week. It is Christmas and the atmosphere is full of it.

Here On Their Honeymoon.

Dr. George Hooper Mallett and bride, of New York, are in the city, the guests of Dr. Mallett's sister, Mrs. Gabriel Holmes, No. 218 North Third street. Dr. and Mrs. Mallett were married in St. Augustine, Fla., on Wednesday, and they are now en route to New York, their future home. Mrs. Mallett was Miss Rena Dismukes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. Dismukes, of St. Augustine, one of the most prominent families of Florida. Dr. Mallett is a son of Col. Peter Mallett, of New York, and one of the most prominent young physicians of the metropolis.

Stole $100 in Money.

Chauncey Carroll, a well known colored porter on one of the A. C. L. private cars, had the misfortune to lose $100 in money Wednesday night. His house on Eighth between Hanover and Campbell streets were broken into while he and his wife was away, and the money was stolen from a trunk in which it had been placed for safe keeping. There is no clue to the burglar.

One of the largest home publications, the WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, wants a man or woman in this city to conduct a Magazine Route. It is a chance for any energetic person to work up a monthly income regularly. If you are now canvassing for anything else, it will be a profitable sideline for you, and we advise that you address at once Circulation Department, WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, Springfield Ohio. *

SPLENDID MUSIC RECITAL.

Delightful Programme Observed Last Evening at Miss Hamme's Studio, No. 412 Market Street—Attendance.

A delightful music recital was given last evening by pupils and friends of Miss Hamme's classes at her studio, No. 412 Market street. There was a large number of friends and patrons of the school in attendance, and each number on the programme was rendered with splendid technique and great skill. The programme was as follows:

1. Les Deux Alouettes, "Two Larks" (Leschetizky Op. 2, No. 1), Miss Hall.
2. The Rosary (Nevin), Mrs. E. F. Huggins.
3. Ballade (Chopin), Miss Bailey.
4. The Lincoln Two-Step, mandolins (Himmelman), Misses King, Wade, Hopkins and Mr. C. Hopkins.
5. Serenade (G. Pierne), Miss Willie Ennett.
6. Valse Impromptu (Wilm Op. 2), Miss Lizzie Bell.
7. Polka, mandolin (Incognito), Miss Blanche Parsley.
8. Au Matin, "At Morn" (Godard Op. 83), Miss Jennie Jackson.
9. Nocturne (Chopin Op. 37, No. 23), Miss Taylor.
10. Nun and the Fountain (Sherwood), Miss Sarah Catlett.
11. Mazourka (Chenet), Misses King and Wade.
12. "Once Upon a Time" (L. Schytte Op. 2, No. 8), Miss Nash.
13. Olympia Valse, mandolins (Louis Tocaben), Misses King, Wade and Hopkins and Mr. Hopkins.
14. Impromptu in B Flat (Schubert Op. 142, No. 3), Miss Hall.

THE ANNUAL FRUIT VESSEL.

Schooner Mabel Darling Here From British West Indies With Cargo Oranges

The annual coming to Wilmington of the "first fruit vessel" from the British West Indies, is looked forward to by the average small boy with almost as much pleasant anticipation as the Christmas tide. It is no wonder, therefore, that the British schooner *Mabel Darling* was greeted cordially yesterday by half a hundrad young Americas as she came up to the Custom House wharf and tied up for the sale of her cargo, which consists of 150,000 oranges, 1,500 cocoanuts, 300 conk shells and four barrels of sea coral, the two last named items, of course, being for decorative purposes.

The schooner is in command of Capt. Sweeting and the cargo is owned by Capt. Robert Ranger, both of whom are aboard. She is of 111 tons burthen and was loaded at Harbor Island, clearing from Nassau. She comes annually to Wilmington and always disposes of her cargo at good prices. Upon completion of her discharge she will be loaded with shingles by J. A. Springer & Co.

THE TURNPIKE BEING IMPROVED.

Good Roads Train Being Used - Progress on the Market Street Extension.

The good roads train of the county went to work yesterday on the Wrightsville turnpike. Chairman McEachern, of the Board of Commissioners, says it will be put in first class condition from Wilmington to the sound and will be kept that way.

Asked about the progress of the permanent improvement of the Market street road, he said that he hoped to complete the link between Wilmington and the railroad crossing, a distance of about three miles, next week. The work was commenced at the crossing and is being brought this way. There are now between 75 and 80 convicts on the force, all told, and they are doing a great work. There is perhaps no better organized or controlled squad of convicts in the State than that of New Hanover. The men behind them know how to get the work out of them in a humane way and they are getting it.

EDITOR OF "TALENT" COMING.

Mr. S. M. Spedon, Who Will Entertain at Y. M. C. A. Tuesday Evening.

Mr. S. M. Spedon, editor of *Talent*, New York city, will appear at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening as the fourth number in the Star Course of entertainments. Mr. Spedon is a great entertainer and will have for his subject "Things We Laugh and Wonder At." He comes straight to Wilmington from Richmond and is guaranteed a mirth-provoker of the first class.

Mr. Spedon was artist and correspondent for "Leslie's" in New Mexico and the South in the eighties, and for the last fifteen years has devoted himself to the platform and newspaper work, especially the study of illustrated art. One has said that he was a sort of platform edition of "Judge, Puck, Harper's, and Leslie's Weekly."

Reserved seats are on sale at DeRosset's book store this morning. Admission, including reserved seats, 75 cents.

Fine Military Record.

Lieut. N. E. Gillican, who has just retired from office in the Wilmington Light Infantry and who has been elected to membership on the Reserve Corps, has a most excellent record since he joined the company Oct. 14th, 1895. During that time 355 drills have been held, out of which he has missed only 23, giving him a percentage of 94 during seven years. The record is one of which Lieut. Gillican may well be proud.

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REWARD FOR BISHOP.

More Than $500 is the Price of the Travelling Man's Liberty To-day.

RELATIVES EMPLOY COUNSEL.

Believed in Charlotte That Man Who Killed Mr. Tom Wilson Will Surrender Himself—Case That is Creating State Interest.

Four hundred dollars is the price set by the State of North Carolina upon the liberty of Arthur L. Bishop, the young travelling man, well known here, who shot and almost instantly killed Mr. T. J. Wilson, a road overseer, in his own home in Charlotte on Wednesday night. This is in addition to substantial rewards offered for the murderer by the city of Charlotte and the county of Mecklenburg, the exact amounts of which could not be ascertained last night. The supplementary reward by the Governor was offered yesterday upon the request of the Mayor of Charlotte and the Board of County Commissioners of Mecklenburg.

It is believed that the offer of a reward will have the effect of bringing Bishop from his hiding place although immediately after the shooting he disappeared in an alley almost as completely as if the earth had opened and swallowed him up.

The opinion is current in Charlotte, according to press dispatches, that Bishop is secreted in that city. If he attempts to leave, the police are confident that his arrest will be effected. It is moreover believed in Charlotte that Bishop will this morning give himself up to the authorities and that no friend or person connected with him directly or indirectly will receive a cent of the reward.

A dispatch last night from Charlotte says that yesterday a brother of the young travelling man, in Petersburg, sent a representative to Charlotte and employed Col. Hamilton C. Jones and Mr. E. T. Cansler, two of the best criminal lawyers in the State, to defend Bishop. This is construed to mean that the relatives of the fugitive know of his whereabouts and are planning for his surrender.

It was reported here yesterday that Bishop was in Wilmington, but the best information is that the report was untrue. Inquiries at Petersburg last night also brought forth the information that he was not in that city.

Will Join the Middleton Co.

Mr. Martynne and Prof. Schedman, who were here last week and contributed the principal features of the vaudeville performance of "The Great Martynne Company" at the Academy of Music, will join the Middleton Stock Company here to-day and will leave with it to-morrow for its three-night engagement at Florence. Mr. Martynne was the spectacular dancer with his company and Prof. Schedman owned the trained dog show which closed each performance. The Martynne Company closed its season yesterday at Kinston.

Seaboard Medical Association.

The Seaboard Medical Association, embracing a large area in North Carolina and Virginia, will meet next Monday in Wilson and a number of Wilmington physicians will be in attendance. Among those who will read papers and their subjects are: Dr. Frank H. Russell, "Pelvic Abscess," with report of a case; Dr. Edward J. Wood, "Hemorrhage and Perforation in Typhoid Fever," Dr. Joseph Akerman, "Report of Some Surgical Cases," and Dr. Pride J. Thomas, "Report of a case of Tubercular Disease with Amputation at the Hip Joint."

Alleged Freight Discrimination.

President J. W. Hanes, of the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce, has addressed a communication to the trades bodies of the State, asking them to send a committee to a meeting to be held at some central point in North Carolina early in January to formulate their grievances in regard to the alleged discrimination in freight rates by the railroads and to arrange to petition in a concerted way the Legislature of the State for relief. It is not known with what success the movement is being received.

Burglary at Ninth and Grace.

The residence of Mr. J. W. Gaskins, corner of Ninth and Grace streets, was entered by burglars Thursday night. The occupants of the house were chloroformed, a valuable watch, $5.65 in money and a lot of dress goods were stolen. Entrance was effected through a window and Mr. Gaskins was satisfied that he was chloroformed as he could feel the effects of the drug when he awoke to find everything in his house topsy-turvy on the following morning.

Judge Ewing's Arrival.

Hon. Wm. G. Ewing, of Chicago, will arrive in the city to-day and on Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock he will deliver an address on Christian Science in the Academy of Music. He is also expected to be present at the services of the First Church of Christ, Scientists, in the Murchison Bank building, Sunday morning at the usual hour.

If you don't know there is a way to find out. Call and keep looking until you see what you want. J. T. Burke, The Jeweller 127 South Front St. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Anita DeRosset left yesterday to visit in Fayetteville.

— Mrs. Haywood Clark and Miss Mamie Clark left yesterday to visit in Norfolk.

— A. W. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, arrived yesterday in the city on a professional visit.

— Editor J. Plummer Wiggins, of the Laurinburg *Exchange*, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— Miss Julia Parsley has returned from Raleigh, where she was a guest of Miss Christine Busbee.

— Miss Lucy Baldwin returned to the city yesterday evening from a visit to friends at several points in the State.

— Miss Mabel Powers returned to her home in Atlanta yesterday afternoon. She was accompanied by Mrs. Jno. D. Bellamy, who will be the guest of Mrs. E. J. Powers for some time.

— Rev. Edward Wooten and Rev. Dr. Dickinson were at the Episcopal Convocation at Kinston the past week. The convocation sermon was delivered by Dr. Dickinson. The meeting is reported to have been a very profitable one.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer*: "Mr. E. A. Johnston returned this morning from Wilmington, and he and Mrs. Johnston, who has been spending a day or two in the city, went up to Arranmore at noon. —— Miss Lela Hart has returned from Wilmington."

— Miss Edna Gasque, of Marion, S. C., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. C. Twining, for the holidays. Miss Gasque arrived from Rockingham, N. C., where on Wednesday she was one of the bridal attendants at the marriage of her brother, Mr. Boyd Gasque, and Miss Mattie Johnson.

— Dr. W. I. Taylor, who is located temporarily at Harrell's Store, N. C., arrived in the city yesterday. On next Wednesday he will claim a fair Charlotte bride and on his way to the Queen City for the wedding, he stopped in Wilmington to shake hands with numerous friends.

AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Very Clever Production of Faust—Matinee and Night Performance.

The Middleton Stock Company last evening at the Academy of Music gave an excellent production of "Faust," the thrilling piece made famous by Lewis Morrison. Of course the presentation of the play was not up to the standard of Mr. Morrison's production —nobody could reasonably expect that at the prices—but it was good enough and a little better for the best of repertoire companies. Mr. Charles Middleton in the role of *Mephisto* was very clever and the other prominent members of the cast were not very far behind.

This afternoon at a special matinee for which the prices will be ten and twenty cents, the company will present the exceedingly funny comedy, "My Uncle from Japan." The doors will open promptly at 2:15 P. M., and the curtain will go up at 2:30. This evening the company closes its engagement here with "John Martin's Secret." The prices will remain the same as during the week.

THE NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Woman Committed Suicide for Pain. Statistics of Crime in the State.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 12.—The Hiddenite Granite Company, of Salisbury, was chartered to-day with $100,000 capital, to develop granite quarries and mineral lands in Alexander county.

Mrs. E. L. Jones, wife of a collector for the S. A. L. depot here, committed suicide this morning while insane from intense pain from a complicated affliction. During the absence of her sister from the room, she seized a pistol and blew her own brains out. She was a daughter of the late Captain Cheatham, of Franklinton, and the remains were carried there for interment.

The report of Attorney Gilmer, filed with Governor Aycock to-night, shows 79 capital felonies tried during the year ending July 1st, 1902—arson, 7; burglary, 13; murder, 40; rape, 19. During the year previous there were 114 capital cases—67 for murder, 22 for burglary, 6 for arson and 18 for rape.

During the past year 9,301 cases were tried—4,951 whites, 4,339 colored and 11 Indians. There were 6,418 convictions, 1,188 acquittals, 1,594 were nol prossed and 108 otherwise disposed of.

Church Notices.

Rev. A. D. McClure, D.D., will preach at Pearsall's School House, East Wilmington, Sabbath afternoon at 4 o'clock.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Dickinson, rector. Morning service and sermon at 11 A. M., Sunday school at 3:30 P. M., evening service and sermon at 7:45 P. M. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Rev. C. W. Trawick, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, conducted by the Christian Endeavor Society. The public cordially invited.

Bladen Street Methodist Church, corner of Fifth and Bladen streets, Rev. Geo. B. Webster, pastor. Services Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, J. B. Taylor, superintendent, 3:30 P. M; Mid-week praise service Wednesday 7:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. John M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited to all services. Seats free.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8.00 P. M. The public invited.. Seats free.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sunday School, W. B. Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick Sts. Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE WILMINGTON DIVISION, NAVAL RESERVES:

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 9, 1902.

At a meeting of the Division last night the following resolutions were drafted:

WHEREAS, The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has in His infinite wisdom removed from among us one of our most worthy and esteemed comrades, Col. F. W. Foster, and

WHEREAS, The long and intimate relations held with him as a contributing and honorary member during the existence of this Division makes it befitting that we record our appreciation of him, therefore,

Resolved, That the ability which he exercised in the aid of the organization will be held in grateful remembrance.

Resolved 2nd, That the sudden removal of such a life from our midst leaves a vacancy and a shadow that will be deeply realized by all members of the Division.

Resolved 3rd, That with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceased we express our hope that even so great a loss may be over rules of good, by Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved 4th, That these resolutions be placed upon the records of the Wilmington Division Naval Battalion, published in the daily newspapers, and a copy sent to the bereaved family.

S. K. DEVANY, J. H. MCFARLANE, H. Z. CLOWE, Committee.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy of Music.
Lecture Monday evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, by Hon. Wm. G. Ewing. Subject: "Christian Science." Admission free. dec 12 3t

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