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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The case of South Dakota vs. North Carolina is set for hearing in the U. S. Supreme Court on April 18th next.
—Fire at San Augustine, Tex.; loss \$30,000.
—Newspaper barque with naval stores for London was wrecked and abandoned Dec. 17th.
—President Roosevelt returned to Washington yesterday.
—Roosevelt has not yet accepted the position of arbitrator in the Venezuela middle, but it is believed that he will ultimately yield and accept.
—Fire at Knoxville, Tenn.; loss half a million.
—Schooners Frank A. Palmer and Louise B. Cary were in collision off the coast of Massachusetts Wednesday night last; both vessels sunk, six men were drowned, four died from exposure and one became insane and jumped overboard from the small boat in which they were trying to escape; the ten survivors of the crews of the two schooners were picked up by the schooner Manhattan and landed at Boston.
—Zeb Wilson, recently elected State Senator from Yancey county, N. C., was killed yesterday by his brother Hiram, in a quarrel.
—New York markets: Money on call firm at 5 1/2 per cent; cotton quiet at 8 7/8; red steady; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red—corn—spot No. 2; oats—spot steady, No. 3 6 1/2; rosin firm, strained common to good \$1 55@1 90; spirits turpentine firm at 55@55 1/2.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 23.
Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:
Temperatures: 8 A. M., 53 degrees; 9 P. M., 54 degrees; maximum, 65 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .73; rainfall since first of month to date, 3.26.
CAUTIONARY.
The following advisory warning was issued at 9:20 P. M., by the Weather Bureau: "Evidence of a disturbance off the South Atlantic coast, location and character uncertain, at present."
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—For North Carolina: Cloudy Tuesday, probably rain in eastern portion, fresh northwesterly breeze, probably brisk to high on the coast; Wednesday fair, colder in east portion.

Port Almanac—December 23.
Sun Rises 7:08 A. M.
Sun Sets 5:00 P. M.
Day's Length 9 H. 58 M.
High Water at Southport 3:06 P. M.
High Water Wilmington 3:56 P. M.

The Connecticut man who was arrested for selling tarred stones for coal must be a lineal descendant of the fellow who invented the wooden nutmeg.
That Kentucky rural mail carrier who has fallen in love thirty-nine times since he began his job is in danger of losing it, for it looks as if he might be paying more attention to the females than to the mails.

Hon. Thos. E. Watson, of Georgia, denies that he is going back into politics. Sensible Tom. He believes in letting well enough alone and from all accounts he has been doing remarkably well since he pulled out of politics.

Mayor Jones, of Toledo, Ohio, who doesn't believe in lifting the hat to any one, made a lady acquaintance hopping mad because he simply bowed to her on the street without raising his hat. But perhaps he is baldheaded.

Mr. Schwab says a poor man is happier than a rich one. That's what we think ourselves and that's why we have declined to be rich. But judging from the way Schwab hustles for dollars he does not seem to be very anxious to be happy.

Rev. C. R. Pridgen, of Pittsburg, is not a Christian Scientist, but an orthodox Presbyterian, who believes that it is better to rely upon prayer for church support than upon assessments. The other day he received from an anonymous source a check for \$12,000, and feels justified in saying, "I told you so."

Mr. "Burnt Prairie," an Indian gentleman from South Dakota, whose marital relations with his 36th wife were not altogether lovely has just succeeded in securing a divorce, after the manner of the mismatched white folk. Who says the Indian isn't catching on to civilization? In the old Indian way he would probably have jabbed his knife into No. 36 to dissolve the partnership.

President Baer, of the Reading Road, is criticizing the independent operators for raising the price of coal. He says the coal companies have done all they could to keep the price down. Now, then is it that the Philadelphia papers say that it costs more to get coal from the anthracite mines near more than fifty miles from Philadelphia than it does from West Virginia two hundred miles distant?

A. C. L. CONDUCTORS HERE.

Delegation Made a Pleasant Call at Headquarters of the System—Enjoyed Oyster Feast Yesterday.
Capt. W. L. Harlow, Wilmington; Capt. Jules Baer, Savannah; Capt. S. B. Johnson, Montgomery; Capt. W. T. Hubbard, Jacksonville; Capt. B. F. Vickery, Waycross; Capt. W. A. Eason, Charleston; Capt. J. D. Simpson, Richmond; Capt. J. D. Korngay, Portsmouth, and Capt. T. H. Harlee, Florence, composed a delegation of Atlantic Coast Line conductors from the first and second divisions of the system, which met here yesterday and had a conference with General Manager John R. Kenly relative to a business matter.
The visitors were cordially received by the officials, but owing to a press of other railroad matters just at present, Mr. Kenly was obliged to defer action upon the matter in hand until a subsequent date. The delegation will, therefore, return when they receive notice that the general manager is prepared to receive it. Capt. W. L. Harlow, of Wilmington, is chairman of the delegation, and Capt. Jules Baer, of Savannah, is secretary.
Capt. S. B. Johnson of Montgomery, Ala., Capt. Baer and others in the party express themselves as delighted with the hospitality of the city and say they will be pleased to return to Wilmington at a future date. The conductors yesterday afternoon went down to the sound and enjoyed a true North Carolina oyster feast. A number of the visitors returned to their homes last evening.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Cotton advanced to 8 1/2 cents for middling on the local market yesterday.
— The Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce will meet at 12:30 P. M. to-day.
— The streets were lined yesterday with holiday shoppers. Many of them were from the country.
— A competent and experienced feeder for Job Presses can secure employment by immediate application at the STAR office. Liberal wages paid.
— The person who took a bunch of keys from a boy at the Post Office Monday morning about 10 o'clock will please leave them with the Postmaster or at the STAR office.
— Josephine Henderson, colored, was given choice by the mayor of paying a fine of \$10 or going to the roads for 80 days yesterday. She will probably take the roads.
— Campbell Encampment No. 1, I. O. O. F., at a special meeting last night conferred the Royal Purple degree upon seven candidates and enjoyed a delightful spread of refreshments after the exercises.

— The American National Bank, of Spartanburg, S. C., recently organized by Mr. J. H. Sloan, has on its board of directors, Messrs. T. M. Emerson and J. W. Norwood. Mr. Sloan is president of the new bank.
— Justice Bornemann's services as a matrimonial artist are in great demand. Sunday he went out to Delgado and performed a ceremony which united in marriage Mrs. Mary E. Watts and Mr. George H. Harrell.
— The British steamer Vera, Capt. Bennett, arrived in port yesterday from Savannah, Ga., for a second cargo of cotton from Wilmington this season. She cleared with her first cargo Oct. 4th and went to Bremen.
— In the shop window of J. Munds' Temple Pharmacy, Mrs. H. Rehder, the florist, has an attractive Christmas display. The display consists of holiday novelties which those with an eye for the beautiful should not fail to see.

— "Number 26," the new closed car for the beach line, has arrived and will be in operation in a day or two. It is six feet longer than the present car; heated by electricity and provided with electric push buttons for the use of passengers.
— The Atlantic Coast Line shops are said to be turning out on an average of twenty "Atlantic Coast Dispatch" cars a week. The cars are badly needed and the work of building them has been pushed for several months.
— The STAR acknowledges with pleasure the receipt of a handsome "Old North State Forever" calendar from Messrs. Edwards & Broughton, the well known binders and blank book manufacturers of Raleigh, Messrs. Edwards & Broughton claim for it the first print of our State flag ever printed in its own true and beautiful colors.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Notice—Bids wanted.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—The place.
People's Savings Bank—New year.
O. O. Alexander—Wholesale groceries.
J. H. Hardin—What for Christmas?
Chas. Anderson & Co.—Restaurants.

Business Locals.
Lost—Scotch Collie.
Notice—January Cotton.
Grocer—Business for sale.
Young Man—Position wanted.
Mrs. H. Rehder—Christmas trees.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas radiators.
You can get a Camera cheap at Taylor's Studio.
Leave your orders for plants, floral designs, cut flowers, etc., at the "Olive" Restaurant, 108 Market street.

NO SUNDAY LIQUOR.

Mayor Waddell Sent Forth That Edict in the Police Court Yesterday at Noon.

A SENSATIONAL INCIDENT.

Witness Who Declined to Testify That He Bought Whiskey Held for Perjury. Counter Charge Against Witness for Presentation.

"This Sunday liquor selling must stop" was the mandate Mayor Waddell gave out in unequivocal terms to a court room crowded with colored shopkeepers who gathered yesterday at noon to hear the trial of a negro named Ben Jones, against whom six separate and distinct charges were preferred for "retailing" from his restaurant in an alley, across from Front street market, day before yesterday.
A little later the Mayor emphasized what he had to say in this regard by holding Jones for the higher court in four cases for Sunday selling and developing two other cases against him—one for selling liquor to minors and one for conducting a restaurant without payment of city license. In the latter case the defendant was fined \$25. In the other cases, an aggregate justified bond of \$400 was first required for defendant's appearance in the Superior Court, but a few minutes later this amount was reduced to \$300. From the imposition of the fine of \$25 for conducting a restaurant without license, Jones' counsel, Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, appealed and an additional bond of \$25 was required in that case.
But the sensational feature of the trial came when Special Officer C. T. Croom and two other persons testified that J. E. Tyner, white, a witness for the defence, had said before going on the stand that he would suffer his "throat to be cut from ear to ear" before he would testify against a man, who had befriended him with a draught of whiskey when he was "dry" on a Sunday morning. Mayor Waddell said under those circumstances he would order that Tyner be held for perjury. Counsel for defendant then arose and said he would bring a counter charge against Special Officer Croom for perjury, for it was he whom he believed guilty of testifying falsely and not Tyner.
Jones was locked up at the police station and had not given the required \$325 bond last night, though efforts were being made in his behalf.
Tyner was not taken in custody until last night on the charge of perjury. He denies that he swore falsely, and says he bought no liquor from Jones.
No warrant, so far as could be learned last night, has been issued for Special Officer Croom, who claims to have witnesses to corroborate his statements in regard to the sale of liquor by Jones.

THE ASSEMBLY'S ANNUAL MEETING.
Officers for the ensuing year—Ball will be given in January.
The second annual meeting of "The Assembly," an elite social organization of the city, was held last night and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:
President—Mr. T. M. Emerson.
Vice-President—Mr. Geo. Rountree.
Sec. and Treas.—Mr. Geo. L. Peschua.
Board of Governors—Messrs. T. M. Emerson, Geo. Rountree, Geo. L. Peschua, D. H. Lippitt, J. A. Arzougala, H. M. Chesnut, Frank H. Sledman, Thos. W. Davis and Dr. Geo. G. Thomas.
The annual Assembly ball will probably be given during the early part of January though the date has as yet not been definitely fixed.

DEATH OF MRS. H. B. BESSENT.
She Passed Away Early Yesterday Morning in This City—Funeral To-day.
Friends in the city will learn with sincere regret of the death of Mrs. Henry B. BesSENT, wife of the well known engine inspector at the A. C. L. round house in this city, which occurred at 1 o'clock yesterday morning at the family home in Wilmington, No. 215 Harnett street. Mrs. BesSENT was about 50 years of age and had been in very poor health for some time. She is survived besides her husband, by one sister, Mrs. Samuel Carmon; one daughter, Miss Irene BesSENT, and two sons, Messrs. Samuel and Herbert BesSENT, all of this city.
The funeral will be conducted from the late residence at 10 o'clock this morning and the interment will be in Oakdale.

The Fore & Foster Company.
A called meeting of the stockholders of the Fore & Foster Planning Mill, Sash and Blind Company was held yesterday at noon in the company's office in this city. Mr. H. A. DeCover was elected president and general manager, to succeed the late Col. F. W. Foster, and Mr. D. Russell Foster, a son of the late president, was elected secretary and treasurer of the company, to succeed Mr. DeCover. Mr. Russell Foster will not continue his studies at the A. & M. College, but will devote his time to the extensive business which fell to him after the death of his father. Mr. J. A. Fore, of Charlotte, a minority stockholder in the company, was here yesterday, but it is learned that his interests were not represented in the meeting.
Postal Clerk Will Sue.
J. M. Hulm, a postal clerk, who was injured in the wreck on the Seaboard Air Line at Rockingham, which delayed the Forepaugh & Sells Brothers' circus on October 19th, this year, has sued the company for \$15,000 damages, alleging that he was permanently injured in the spine and hips and that his nervous system was so shocked and unstrung that he has partially lost his memory. Hulm formerly ran between Atlanta and Washington on the Seaboard Air Line and has employed an Atlanta legal firm to conduct his case.
The Crescent Pharmacy, 107 Princess street, has just received an elegant line of the celebrated Lyons Candies in fancy baskets. Just the thing for Xmas presents.
I will make fittings until Saturday, January 3rd. Will be open New Year's day, Paul M. Taylor.

THE PISTOL DUELERS IN COURT.
Each of Them Held for Grand Jury in Two Cases—Ten Witnesses.
Balaam Johnson and Foster Williams, the negroes who engaged a pistol duel at the Angola lumber mill Saturday evening, were arraigned in the Mayor's court yesterday and held for the Superior Court in January on two charges each of assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. Bond was fixed at \$50 each for the assault and \$25 each in the cases for carrying concealed weapons. Williams gave the bond and Johnson was committed until parities at Jacksonville, N. C., can be communicated with relative to his bond.
Williams was represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq., and Johnson's interest was looked after by Brooke G. Empee, Esq. Ten witnesses in all were examined, each of whom testified substantially to the circumstances of the shooting as have already been published in these columns.
Gus Williams, the bystander who was shot as able to be in court and testified in the case, though he has a badly shattered arm.
DIED ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.
Mrs. Sarah E. Merritt Passed Away at Her Home in This City.
Mrs. Sarah E. Merritt, wife of Mr. M. J. Merritt, 902 North Sixth street, passed away Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock, aged 69 years. Mrs. Merritt was a native of Duplin county, and died of typhoid pneumonia. She was an excellent woman and was greatly beloved by all who knew her. The funeral was conducted from the family residence at 9 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church, and the interment was in Bellevue cemetery.
Mrs. Merritt is survived by her husband, one son, Mr. Wm. Merritt, of Brunswick county, and five daughters, Mrs. Louis Sallings, Mrs. Louis Tyndall, Mrs. Robert Merritt, Mrs. Kate Brown, all of Wilmington, and Mrs. Emma Pope, of Magnolia, N. C.
The pall-bearers at the funeral services were Messrs. Ed. F. Lewis, A. C. Brown, A. J. Brown and D. T. Mayer.

Christmas Strawberries.
Mr. C. O. Alexander, the enterprising Second street grocer, has on sale some very fine strawberries, raised as a second crop on the farm of his father, County Commissioner W. F. Alexander, seven miles from the city, in Harnett township. The berries are bringing 50 cents a quart. They are picked fresh and have been brought to the city by Mr. Alexander for several days.

ELKS' CHRISTMAS AFFAIR.

Final Arrangements for Dinner and Entertainment to be Given the Children Next Friday Afternoon.

Arrangements are about complete for the Christmas tree and dinner which the Elks of the city will give to the children of Wilmington in the City Hall building on Friday afternoon of this week. The final meeting of the Executive Committee, Mr. Henry J. Geiken chairman, was held last night and each detail of the work of preparation that does not fall in the province of the ladies, was delegated to willing hands. Tables are to be arranged, the hall put in condition for the festive occasion, substantial, serviceable articles are to be purchased for the tree—all these things were settled upon last night. The canvass of the city in the way of distributing cards of admission is about complete. Over 500 is the number that has been given out. The Elks on this occasion will not confine their kindness to the corporate limits, but have gone a step further and will to-day send a committee to Delgado and place admission cards with all the children there.
There has been no more energetic committee of ladies than that on candy bags, Mrs. H. J. Geiken chairman. Members of Mrs. Geiken's committee spent the entire day yesterday at the Temple, and the result of their efforts is apparent in a whole wagon load of confectioneries, nicely arranged in neat packages ready to be hung on the tree. It required a wonderful amount of patient work to complete the task of doing up nearly one thousand of these packages, stuffed full of nuts, raisins, apples, oranges and candies that always delight the little folks on the most glad-some of all American holidays. Each package is appropriately lettered in gilt: "A Merry Christmas. From the Elks, 1902."

To-day the committee on decorations, Mrs. J. E. Rehder chairman, will begin to transform the City Hall into a holiday bower. The trees will be placed in position and beautified, so that every environment will be in accord with the tremendous success that the event is certain to be.

Handsome British Barque.
The British barque *Nellie Troop*, 1,317 tons, Capt. Nobles, arrived Sunday from Savannah, Ga., in tow of the tug *William F. McCawley*. She brought a part cargo of nitrate of soda for the Wilmington Compress and when she has finished discharging she will proceed to New York to go in dry dock and receive general repairs. She is one of the finest vessels of her class that ever entered the port. Her hull is iron, masts and yards are of iron and the cabins fitted out with brass ornaments and hard woods. She also has her own electric system aboard.

Football News.
The football team from Wilmington which will engage the Newbern eleven on the gridiron Thursday, will leave to-morrow afternoon for the last mentioned city. The Wilmington team will probably line up as follows: Hergentrieger, center; Linder and Ramsey, guards; Root and Willie Grant, tackles; Dwyer and Hall, ends; George Parsley, quarter; Cliff Hopkins, Captain, and Goss, halves, and Smallbones, full.

His Uncle Dead.
Mr. Claude H. Dollar, of this city, yesterday received a letter informing him of the death at Selma, N. C., of his uncle, Mr. S. W. Parker. Mr. Parker was employed by one of the railroads entering Selma and Friday he was run over by an engine. Both legs were cut off and the wounds were so severe that the injured man died within less than 24 hours. He was an estimable man and was buried at Wilson Mill, N. C., on Sunday.

Quarantines for Scarlet Fever.
The Health Department yesterday established a quarantine for scarlet fever at 307 South Second street. Josephine Molver, the little son of Mr. Molver, who recently came here from Savannah, is the patient but is doing very well. Another quarantine for the same disease was placed on the residence of Mr. W. E. Perdew, 310 North Seventh street, on Saturday. Mr. Perdew's little son, John W., eight years old, is the patient.

Negro With Chamois Skin.
George Stone, the negro who stole chamois skin from Bellamy's drug store confessed the charge in Justice Fowler's court yesterday, but said he was drunk at the time. Drunkenness, like ignorance, excuses no man in the eyes of law, and considering that he had already served two terms in the penitentiary, Justice Fowler sent the negro to jail for the higher court in default of \$100 justified bond.

Granolithic Pavements.
In the advertising columns to-day Chairman E. F. Johnson, of the Streets and Wharves Committee, calls for bids for 5,000 cubic yards of granolithic pavement; also for 5,000 tons of crushed rock. Bids will be received for same until noon, Jan. 5th.

FOR ASHING USE CHE-
NEY'S EXPERTOR-
ANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

KILLED IN FLORENCE.

Life Crushed Out of Young Alton McLeod, Well Known in Wilmington.

NATIVE OF CARTHAGE, N. C.

Fell Between Moving Freight Cars Upon Which He Was Riding to His Boarding House—Remains Sent to His Old Home for Interment.

Alton B. McLeod, a young man well known in Wilmington, having made his home here for the past five years, met a tragic death at Florence, S. C., late Saturday night. The remains were brought through this city Sunday en route to Carthage, N. C., his native home, where they were interred yesterday.

Young McLeod was employed at the time of his death as a seaman on the Atlantic Coast Line between Wilmington and Charleston. He had just arrived in Florence from this city Saturday night and was walking along the track near the station on the transfer yards when a freight train came in. In order to save a walk up to his boarding place in Florence, he boarded the train and walking on top of the cars, going towards the engine. In stepping from one of the cars to another he fell between them and several of the heavy trucks passed over his body, cutting it literally to pieces and rendering it almost unrecognizable as that of a human being.
The corner of the county was called and after viewing the remains he turned them over to an undertaker and they were prepared for shipment to Carthage.
Young McLeod was about 37 years of age and was from one of the most prominent families in Moore county. For a year or two prior to 1899, he was employed in the composing rooms of this paper and later gave up his position to become a clerk in the grocery store of Messrs. J. B. & J. O. King, which was at that time doing a large business here. Still later he entered the Express service and ran as messenger until several weeks on the early train between Wilmington and Charleston. Next he entered the Coast Line service as flagman and was killed while in that capacity.
Mr. McLeod was a clever young gentleman and made friends wherever he went. Only ten days ago he lost his father by death. He leaves a brother and sister at Carthage, both very young and dependent upon him for support. The death is a very sad one indeed.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.
— Mr. P. C. Morton is in Athens, Ga., to spend Christmas.
— Mr. L. J. Strickland, of Whiteville, N. C., was a visitor to the city yesterday.
— Mr. W. D. Malpass, of Long Creek, N. C., was in the city yesterday on a business trip.
— Mr. W. E. Hill has returned from the theological seminary to spend the holidays at home.
— Miss Louise Harper, a member of the graduating class of Salem Female Academy, is here to spend the holidays.
— Mr. Charles C. Longhlin, a popular Wilmington boy, is at home from Guilford College to spend the holidays.
— Miss Victoria Stone, of Little River, S. C., returned home yesterday after a pleasant visit to relatives in the city.
— Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Pridgen of Canetuck, N. C., are visiting the family of Mr. B. B. Pridgen, 307 Bladen street.
— Messrs. W. W. Fitzhugh, of Rock Fish, N. C., and T. H. Newkirk, of Marion, S. C., were Orion guests yesterday.
— Dr. W. H. Crowell and wife, of Burgaw, passed through the city yesterday en route to Charlotte to spend the holidays.
— Mr. J. A. Stone, a medical student at the University, is in the city on his way to spend the holidays at his home in Shallotte.
— Mrs. E. W. VanC. Lucas and little son have returned from a visit North. Capt. Lucas will arrive from Memphis Wednesday to spend the holidays.
— Miss Emma Stroupe, of Salem, is here on a brief visit to her niece, Mrs. John W. Harper. Miss Stroupe is one of the faculty of Salem Female Academy.
— Miss Hattie Penny has returned from a visit to relatives at New Haven, Conn., and will spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. McKensie, Eighth and Dock streets.
— Fayetteville *Observer*: "Miss Dora Hopkins, of Wilmington, will arrive this week and spend the holidays with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Johnson, on Maiden Lane."
— Dr. L. L. Ardrey, who formerly practiced his profession at Burgaw, passed through the city yesterday en route to Charlotte. He will leave shortly for Western Texas, where he will locate with the hope that the climate will be more conducive to his health.

Big Religious Debate.
A debate lasting four days beginning Feb. 3rd, has been arranged to be held at Tampa, Fla., between Elder J. F. King, of Wilmington, and Rev. Mr. Hall, of Tennessee. Rev. Mr. King represents the Second Advent church and Rev. Mr. Hall the Baptist faith. They will discuss a doctrinal question.

DELIGHTFUL SOCIAL EVENT GIVEN BY MISS CASTLEWELL COMPLIMENTARY TO HER ADVANCED DANCING CLASSES.
Miss Leonora Cantwell gave a delightful get-together last night in the Liberator Hall, complimentary to members of her advanced dancing classes. The decorations in red and green were very pretty and in excellent good taste. The chandeliers were festooned with bamboo, and holly, in honor of the Christmas tide, entered very charmingly into the effect.
Music was by Hollowbush's Orchestra and the figures were very neatly led by Mr. Paul Cantwell with Miss Carrie Sales Hardwick. During the program of the german the "Sarotoga Lancers," a catchy square dance, and "La Caprice" a pretty round dance, were introduced. Among those present and participating in the festivities were the following:
Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. T. A. Baxter; Miss Durham, Mr. E. St. John; Miss Johnson, Mr. Ernest Peschua; Miss Jones, Mr. Marion Harris; Miss Kate Maffitt, Mr. John B. Colclath; Miss Margarette Harris, Mr. Frank Harris; Miss Moore, of Indiana, Mr. Harry West; Miss Isabel Rountree, Mr. Henry McMillan; Miss Julia Parsley, Mr. Zueh Bell; Miss Beulah Armstrong, Mr. Will Crow; Miss Marguerite Walker, Mr. Platt Davis; Miss Carrie Hardwick, Mr. Paul Cantwell; Miss Sarah Catlett, Mr. Geo. Catlett; Miss Mariah Maffitt, Mr. James Gause; Miss Charlotte Pennell, Mr. Norwood Huske; Miss Hattie May French, Mr. Allie J. Mitchell; Miss Colclath, Mr. Horton James; Miss Laura Clark, Mr. Charles Muncaster; Miss Emma Northrop, Mr. Horace Hunter; Miss Jones, Mr. Meares Harris; Miss Leonora Cantwell, Mr. Edwin Metts; Miss Ray Sneed, Mr. Ben Parmele; Miss Anna Peschua, Mr. A. Colclath; Miss Beattie Burgess, Mr. Strudwick Nash; Miss Louise Bellamy; Mr. Willie Emerson; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr. Robert H. Gwaltney. Stages—A Sydney Bayles, Emmett Crow, William Walker and Chas. Dunn.
Chaperones—Mrs. and Mrs. A. C. Kenly; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Northrop; Col. and Mrs. Jas. L. Cantwell.

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.
Capital \$ 300,000
Surplus 100,000
Total Assets \$2,000,000
H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS & TRUST CO.
J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

IT IS SO WELL KNOWN THAT,
Everybody says, "For anything nice you must go to Parker's."
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Look at my line of Parlor Tables and Parlor Rockers and if you don't concede that they are as fine as you ever saw in any city, then take your choice free of cost.
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Furniture and Furniture Novelties, 111 Market St.
Bell Phone 618.
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BIDS WANTED.
FOR 5,000 TONS CRUSHED ROCK.
Bids will be received up to Monday, January 5th, at 12 o'clock M. For specifications and further information apply to
E. F. JOHNSON,
Ch'm'n Streets and Wharves Com.
Christmas Groceries.
NORTH CAROLINA STRAWBERRIES.
A delicious treat for the holidays. Fine dressed Turkeys, Chickens and Eggs. All kinds of choice Family Groceries. Cheapest Grocery in the city.
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No. 15 North Second St.

THE ONLY RESTAURANT,
108 Market Street.
Supplies a long felt want, furnishing the Best market afforded, and at prices more moderate than have ever before prevailed in Wilmington.
OUR SPECIAL DINNERS
At 25 cents are universally praised by our customers.
Table Boarders are taken at \$4.00 per week.
Orders for Plants, Floral Designs, Cut Flowers, Bouquets, etc., filled promptly and at reasonable prices.
CHARLES ANDERSON & CO.
Telephone 775.
BIDS WANTED.
FOR 5,000 CUBIC YARDS OF GRANULITE PAVEMENTS. Bids will be received up to Monday, January 5th, at 12 o'clock M. For specifications and further information apply to
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Ch'm'n Streets and Wharves Com.
Ch'm'n Streets and Wharves Com.

Important Notice.
We wish to inform our regular customers as well as the public at large that we have just received a consignment of Foreign Wines which we offer to everybody at the following low price for a short time only:
Rhine Wine, Vintage 1898, per gal., \$1.00
Port " " 1900, " " 1.00
Chateau " " 1900, " " 2.00
Port " " 1899, " " 2.00
Samples FREE as soon.
Best Patent Flour, O. S. per barrel \$4.00.
Agents for celebrated Golden Irish Hard Net Regular Hams 15c per pound.
JNO. E. KUCE,
Importer and Bottler,
No. 6 North Water St.
Bell Phone 150.

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ANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

PRETTY CHRISTMAS GERMAN.

Delightful Social Event Given by Miss Castwell Complimentary to Her Advanced Dancing Classes.

Miss Leonora Cantwell gave a delightful get-together last night in the Liberator Hall, complimentary to members of her advanced dancing classes. The decorations in red and green were very pretty and in excellent good taste. The chandeliers were festooned with bamboo, and holly, in honor of the Christmas tide, entered very charmingly into the effect.
Music was by Hollowbush's Orchestra and the figures were very neatly led by Mr. Paul Cantwell with Miss Carrie Sales Hardwick. During the program of the german the "Sarotoga Lancers," a catchy square dance, and "La Caprice" a pretty round dance, were introduced. Among those present and participating in the festivities were the following:
Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. T. A. Baxter; Miss Durham, Mr. E. St. John; Miss Johnson, Mr. Ernest Peschua; Miss Jones, Mr. Marion Harris; Miss Kate Maffitt, Mr. John B. Colclath; Miss Margarette Harris, Mr. Frank Harris; Miss Moore, of Indiana, Mr. Harry West; Miss Isabel Rountree, Mr. Henry McMillan; Miss Julia Parsley, Mr. Zueh Bell; Miss Beulah Armstrong, Mr. Will Crow; Miss Marguerite Walker, Mr. Platt Davis; Miss Carrie Hardwick, Mr. Paul Cantwell; Miss Sarah Catlett, Mr. Geo. Catlett; Miss Mariah Maffitt, Mr. James Gause; Miss Charlotte Pennell, Mr. Norwood Huske; Miss Hattie May French, Mr. Allie J. Mitchell; Miss Colclath, Mr. Horton James; Miss Laura Clark, Mr. Charles Muncaster; Miss Emma Northrop, Mr. Horace Hunter; Miss Jones, Mr. Meares Harris; Miss Leonora Cantwell, Mr. Edwin Metts; Miss Ray Sneed, Mr. Ben Parmele; Miss Anna Peschua, Mr. A. Colclath; Miss Beattie Burgess, Mr. Strudwick Nash; Miss Louise Bellamy; Mr. Willie Emerson; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr. Robert H. Gwaltney. Stages—A Sydney Bayles, Emmett Crow, William Walker and Chas. Dunn.
Chaperones—Mrs. and Mrs. A. C. Kenly; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Northrop; Col. and Mrs. Jas. L. Cantwell.

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