OUTLINES.

Lawrence O. Murphy, of Obloago, of commerce and labor. — Geo. Serves will return to Colombia and assume personal command of the army; he has cabled his government that war on Panama means war with the United States. — The U.S. government will issue \$7,000,000 four per cent. Philippine bonds for surchase of the Friar's lands. — War between Japan and Russia is regarded as almost certain, but no developments are expected until Russia's reply to Japan's request for reconsideration is recarved --- Sixty-three people reported killed in a train wreck on the B. & O. railroad near Connelisville, Pa.

Is a train wreak near Birmingham,
Ala., on the L. & N. railroad several persons reported killed and eight passengers in ared. — A battle is reported between Chinese troops and Coreans who invaced Chinese territory.

A telegram from Cape. Haytlan reports a Dominican warship bombarding Puerto Plata. — In a passed fight in a record pistol fight in a gambileg room at 8avenuab, Ga, one man killed and two men were wounded, one fatally.

N. Y. markets: Money on call easy at 364 per cent; cotton quiet at 18 60c; flour was tirm; wheatspot tires, No. 3 red 932c; corn-spot No. 3 41%; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.) WRATHER SURRAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 33. Meteorological data for the iwenty four hours ending at 8 P. M.: Temperatures: S A. M., 35 degrees

8 P. M., 44 degrees: maximum, 54 de ; rece; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 44 Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.87

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-For North Caronna: Fair Toursday, rain at night or Friday, except fair on the for Delgado and Wrightsville for the accommodation of holiday shoppers coast; colder Friday in west portion,

Port Almanac-December 24

Sun Sets. Day's Length. High Water at Southport. High Water Wilmington.	4.50 P. M 9 H. 43 M 11.31 P. M 2.01 P. M

Upple Sam is liable to have to get Colombia by the scruff of the neck extent. if she keeps up her blubbering over the loss of Papama.

The Durham Herald gets off this a good one: It may be that the trick we turned on Cotombia was a little dirty, but we got what we wanted have also many friends who will reand we are biggest

The latest news from Manchuria is that Russia is still frezen to the ground and just can't get away. Bussia, however, is sure that diplomacy gave her the grip.

A French philosopher asks "Can dogs laugh?" We rather think so. We've been up against a yaller dog that could grin all right, and that's where he had the laugh on us.

We notice in an exchange that gentleman in Washington married Miss Emily Sod. This is the first man we over heard of who gets put under the sod before his time comes.

The new \$20,000,000 bridge between New York and Brooklyn has been opened for traffic. Boosevelt will also have to bridge over his difficulties, if he keeps open for traffic.

Mayor McClellan, of New York, is calling for "a man too honest to be bribed and too shrewd to be de ceived." George, you may hear from us later, unless we are deceived in

A New York farmer was fined \$50 for striking a woman with a milk pail as she sped by in her automobile. Now what ought to be the fate of the milk man who assaults Wilmingtonians with pale milk?

If anybody is unhappy because they can't find out the brand of of cigars we smoke, we will say for the relief of all such that we only draw the line on those which some Chicago man is making out of staw.

The New York Tribune asks in an editorial, "Was not the action of the United States in the Panama revolution lawful ?" Well, yes, since we come to think of it. We overlooked the fact that the law of the Buccaneers had never been repealed.

Ells Wheeler Wilcox has in the Houston Chronicle an article, with the query head, "What is real love?" Ells, the kind we dispense is unspearable. You'll have to come close enough for us to let you know what the genuine article really is,

To-morrow is Christmas and already the fire cracker has begun to pop and other fireworks to be gotten in readiness to celebrate the Christian festival. The toy pistol and cannon cracker, however, should not be brought out for this purpose. Last Christmas and on the 4th of July nearly 2,000 boys died of lookjaw brought on from injuries by toy vistois and other fireworks. A word to the wise boy is sufficient.

HE MORNING STAR.

WILMINGTON, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1903. .

- Norwegian bafque "Telefon" cleared yesterday with cargo of 7,150 barrels rosin consigned by S. P. Shot-Chamber of Commerce in Session ter & Co. to Bristol, Eng. Yesterday Dealt With Two - The insurance offices of Walker Taylor, John VanB. Metts, Willard & Important Matters.

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LOCAL DOTS.

- The Wilmington Towing &

Construction Co., has the contract for

raising the tug "F and F" which sunk

a few days ago. Work will begin Mon-

- Immanuel Presbyterian Sun-

day school will give its Christmas en-

tertainment on Saturday evening Dec.

36th, at 7 o'clock. Admission by

- The STAR has with the com-

pliments of its enterprising neighbor,

the Evening Dispatch a very pretty

and useful calendar for the new year,

- Johnson & Howard, general

merchants, of Rennert, Robeson Co.,

have been declared bankrupts and the

first meeting of their creditors will be

beld before Referee Samuel H. Mac

Rae in Fayetteville, Jan. 4th, at 1.

the gas supply at present two enclosed

are lamps have been placed in the cor-

ridor of the postoffice to make sure of

proper illumination for the crowds

who have to wait for the late holiday

- Friends will regret to learn of

the death of Miss Leis Melvin, daught-

er of Mr. John Melvin, of Harreli's

Store, N. C. The young lady was just

16 years of age and was a child of

bright promise. She had been ill

- To-night a special car will

leave Front and Princess at 10 o'clock

rom the suburban settlements. Re

turning the car will leave Wrights-

- The Robert Portner Brewing

Co., the Home Brewing Co. and the

Gottlieb Bauernschmidt Straus Brew-

ing Co. warn all persons against gath-

ering, collecting or bartering bottles

belonging to them and will prosecute

all violators of the law to the fullest

- Charlotte Observer: "Mr and

Mrs. E. N. Farrior will leave this morn-

ing for Norfolk, Va., where they will

reside in the future. Mr. Farrior will

business there. Mr. and Mrs. Farrior

"THE MODERS SHAKESPEARE."

Further Appoarcements Concerning Play

W. L. I. Will Produce in January.

A very successful rehearsal of "The

Modern Shakespeare" was held last

night at the Academy. All were pres-

out in his stead were Messrs. Thos. H.

Wright and Wm. F. Robertson, who

handled the play and players very

skilfully. Each member of the cast

staking a lively interest in the pro-

duction and it promises to be a mag-

nificent success. The class from Miss

Cantwell's school, which will com-

pres one of the leading specialty fea-

tures, is also rehearsing daily. The

picked equad from the W. L. I., which

will execute a number of fancy drille,

is being diligently trained by Lieus.

In fall dress blue uniform will be

Mosers. Rogister, Butts, McMillan,

Potts, H. B. Peschau, Jackson, Gause

and Orrell. In full dress gray, Mosers.

Faison, Walker, Heinsberger, J. B.

Peschau, R. N. Nash, H. Davis, Cant-

The committee is working up a very

nest little programme in the shape of

a souvenir which will contain much

valuable information and data con-

smoothly and Manager Metta feels

MABEL PAIGE ALL NEXT WEEK.

Coming of Popular Little Actress to the

Academy-"Princess of Patches."

dramatic and vaudeville artists

heralded as coming to the Academy

for one week, with matinees Wednes-

day and Saturday, starting next week,

and best this little star has ever car-

ried. A new line of exoc.ient plays,

expensive vaudeville featurer, two

carloads of scenery and electrical

effects is what her management

promises. "The Princess of Paiches"

will be the opening bill. Popular

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

prices will as usual provail.

Notice-To the public.

Brewing Companies-Notice.

W. B. Cooper-Acme Guano.

Academy of Music-Mabel Palge.

F. E. Hashagen Co.-Fancy butter.

SUBLIFIER LOCALS.

C. R., L. & P. Co. -Special car.

The company is said to be the largest

Mabel Paige and her company of

well and Geo. Davis.

souls" from '60 to '65.

no one will be slighted.

confident of success.

some time with pneumonis.

ville at 10:30 o'clock.

gret their departure."

- Owing to the unreliability of

the product of its own press rooms.

Giles and J. H. Boatwright & Son will be closed to-morrow and Satur-THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY

> Wilmington Susiness Men Urge Withdrawal of Opposition in Senate to Ratification of Trenty-Adulteration of Spirits Will be Remedied.

> After slight amendment, the plan to emedy the adulteration of spirits turpentine in the Wilmington territory as reported Tuesday by the special committee to which the matter had been referred, was unanimously adopted yesterday at noon at a very representative meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. There were in attendance President J. A. Taylor, Vice President 8. P. McNair, Secretary James Kyle, Mr. O. W. Worth, of The Worth Co; Mr. H. C. McQueen, of Murchison & Co.; Mr. H. K. Nash, of Paterson, Downing & Co.; Mr. B. F. Hall, of Hall & Pearsall, Incorporated; Mr. D. McEschero, of The D. McEschern Co.; Mr. W. L. Smith, of McNair & Pearsall; Mr. W. R. Barksdale, of the Standard Oil Co ; Mr. M. S. Willard, Mr. Wm. Calder, Mr. Sam Bear, Col. T. C. James and others.

> In addition to considering the important question of the adulteration of spirits, the Chamber also discussed at some length the opposition in the Senate to a ratification of the Panama treaty and the body at once cam out strongly in condemnation of that op.

ADULTERATION OF SPIRITS. The meeting having been called to order Mr. Worth, chairman of the committee, read the plan proposed to prevent the adulteration of spirits and moved its adoption. Mr. McQueen said he did not think the resolution went far enough to correct the trouble. The prosecution feature appeared useless as it would be impossible to asceriain who was guilty. The stiller would invariably disclaim the product and any inspector would be all at sea. Mr. McQueen suggested the amendment attached to the report as follows and the adoption was unanimous:

Wilmington, N. C. Dec. 21st., 1903. Your committee appointed to arrange such details as in their opinion would stop the practice of adulteration of spirits of turpentine, beg to suggest the following p'an: First:-That there be issued an official circular by this Chamber setting engage in the merchandise brokerage forth that it has been brought to its official notice that more or less adulteration of spirits is being practiced by some manufacturers who market their spirits here and that the said practice is seriously damaging the reputation of this market. The object of the circular is to request all who have been engaged in this practice to abandon it and to give notice that in every case of suspected adulteration the article will be subjected to a rigid inspection by an agent appointed and bonded by this Chamber, and, if found adulterated, the maker will be prosecuted by the Inspector to the full extent of the ent except Director James H. Cowan,

Second: - That it shall be the duty of every receiver of spirits of turpentine on this market to furnish the name of any manufacturer whose spirits may have been found adulterated by the Inspector, and in case of refusal to do so the prosecuting suit shall be instituted against such receiver,

Third: - That the expenses of such inspection shall be made as reasonable as possible and shall beborne by the manufacturer, if found adulterated, and if not so found the expense shall be borne oy the buyer or party who made the complaint.
Fourth: -That this Chamber take

steps to have a more stringent iaw with heavier penalty passed at the next meeting of the General As-

Amendment-Any spirits found to be adulterated shall be reported by the holder to the Inspection Commit-tee of the Chamber and shall not dispose of same, in any manner without the approval of the Inspectors; provided, that if the shipper of the prits asks that it be returned to him, the holder may do so and report same to the Chamber.

cerning the company and a complete list of the company from its organiza-The circular contemplated in the tion to the present date, including above plan will be printed to-day and those who carried its colors into battle the trade supplied with copies of the during the days that "tried men's same. President Taylor appointed as an inspection committee under the Tickets for sale were given to each resolution, Messas. C. W. Worth, (chairman), H. C. McQueen and H. member of the company last night and

K. Nash. The box-sheet will open about Jan-THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY. uary lat, and only those holding The Panama treaty matter was intickets will be allowed to reserve troduced by President Taylor who seats on the first day, after which it read and offered the following resoluwill be open to the public at DeRosset's tion, which was also unanimously bookstore. Everything is progressing

adopted: "Whereas, the Federal Government has negotiated a treaty with Panama looking to the building of an isthmian canal; whereas, the canal would be of incalculable benefit to the South especially, and whereas, the treaty is now before the Senate for ratification, be it resolved by the

Chamber of Commerce: "First, That the Panama question is and that a measure so far reaching in its results to the commercial welfare and political prestige of this country should receive the united support of all political parties. That the perma-nent solution of the Far Eas tern question on principles of international equity and free-dom of trade would be sensibly advanced by the declaration of purpose on the part of the United States to build the canal, and that no partiesn capital should be sought to

peneficial in its effects on mankind. Becond-That our Senators in Congress be earnestly requested to support the Panama treaty by their votes and is fluences, and that the substance of these resolutions be telegraphed them. In accordance with the resolution Secretary Kyle at once sent copies of the following to Senators Overman and Simmons: "The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce by resolution urges you to support the Panama

be made at the cost of an enterprise so

SOME SOUTHERN VIEWS. The New York Herald of yesterday

prints a symposium of views upon the Panama treaty question from presidents of the boards of trade in Baltimore, New Orleans, Galveston, Mobile, Jacksonville, Wilmington and Savanuah, in which the unanimous concensus of opinion is that the oppo-sition to ratification in the Senate should cease. The view expressed by President Taylor is as follows:

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 21.—I consider the Panama question above perty politics. The South would re-ceive most substantial direct benefits from the building of the canal. It is interes ed in the markets of the East, and with the canal accomplished the influence of this country in Eastern questions would be a controlling one. The markets of the East are becoming indispensable to the develop-ment of Southern manufactures. I consider it a shortsighted policy for Democrats to oppose such a compre-hensive and far-reaching measure, and I am confident they do not represent the business interests of the South in the attitude of opposition.

President Wilmington Onamoer CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR THEM.

(Ind Hearted and Generous Remembrance by Mesars. Alexander Sprunt & Son

The kind-hearted and generous genlemen who compose the giant cotton exporting firm of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son-and there are no better people on earth—on yesterday made naif a hundred other folks as happy as the donors are considerate and true. The act was the presentation of a handsome cash Christmas gift to every regular employe of the telegraph and telephone companies with which they have come into close relationship during the year, and a word of cordial greeting for each. To the telegraph managers, operators and messenger boys and to the young ladies of the telephone exchange, each in amount befitting their rank, was given substantial sum that was as highly appreciated for the spirit which of the present itself. The young ladies of the Bell exchange destre to publicly express their thanks to the Messrs. Sprunt for their consideration and good wishes.

BOY DISAPPEARED FROM HOME.

Eleven-Year-Old Son of Capt. Thos. Taylor is Lost -laformation Wanted

Capt. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor are anxious to learn of the whereabouts of their little 11-year-old son, James Thomas Taylor, who left home, No. 211 North Sixth street, Tuesday afternoon. The boy had absolutely no reason for leaving that the parents know of, and they fear he has been the victim of some accident or foul play. Any information as to his whereabouts will be anxiously received by them. When last seen the boy was in company with another. smaller than himself, in Burr & Bailer's alley, between 4 and 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He wore a blue cap, sweater and short trousers. He has dark hair, gray eyo and is rather tall for one of his age. Too police have been asked to look out for the boy and return him to his anxious father and mother.

THEY STOLE HOLIDAY GOODS.

Jastice Bornemann Breaks Into Gang Yenthful Negro Shoolifters.

Justice Bornemann yesterday mad proads into a gang of young negro thieves, who have been operating in the up-town districts. Many of the merchants complained of losing holiday articles and fruits displayed in front of their places, and Justice Bornemann was detailed to round up the gang. The investigation resulted in the arrest of Ellison Corner, Eddie Williams and James H. Covington, young colored boys, who at once began to accuse one the other. The old adage that "When thieves fall out. honest men get their dues" was exemplified. Covington was sent to jail in default of bond, and the two others mere beld as witnesses.

YACHT "ROAMER" NOT WRECKED.

Sapt. Roome Sends Correction to Associated Press from Miami, Fla.

The following Associated Press dispatch received last night is self explanatory and will be send with much interest by the many friends in this city of Capt. and Mrs. H. C. Roome: New York, Dec. 23.-The yacht "Roamer," the wreck of which was reported in a cable dispatch from Nassau, N. P., on D.cember 18th, was not the steam yacht of that name owned by H. C. Roome. A dispatch was sent to-day by Mr. Roome from Miami, Fiorida, to the Associated Press as follows: "Contradict wreck of my yacht 'Roamer'; wreck probaly is schooner yacht 'Roamer' of Bal-

timore." A son of Mr. R. S. Topel, the florist of this city, was engineer on the "Roamer."

fils Mother Dead.

Policeman C. G. Jones left Tuesday night at 7 o'clock in response to a telegram from his brother Mr. Troy Jones, of Garner, N. C. stating that their mother had just died. Officer Jones was on his way down town for night duty and received the telegram just in time to catch the train. His many friends in the police department and among the public at large will sympathize will him in his deep bereavement.

Don't forget to take a look as you pass by the window and see the assortment of appropriate Xmas presents at J. T. Burke's, The Jeweller.

CHRISTMAS IS HERE.

Festive Yuletide Season Begins Auspiciously in Wilmington With Break of To-day.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Banks, Shamber of Commerce and Many Other Business Places Close This Evening Until Monday-Postoffice-Police Service.

Wilmington enters this morning upon the Ohristman eve day of one of the most prosperous years in its history. The holiday spirit is to the air and the season of gladness abides in every community. The holiday this year in Wilmington promises to be celebrated magnificently and one will hear or see little else until after the dawn of the New Year but pleasurs-giving and pleasure-receiving. The weather promises to be the most ideal; certainly the busy Christmas shoppers have no complaint of the conditions during the past few days. The atmosphere has been bracing; there have been no icy, wintry blasts from the North and the anxious holiday enthusiasts have had naught but to throng the retail local shops, which have displayed this year, without a single exception, a prettier line of holiday goods and in greater variety than ever before.

The crowds on the street and in the stores until a late hour last night were immense and the same will be true to an even greater extent today and this evening. The presence of many strangers in the throngs of shoppers has been noticeable this year. The country was never more prosperous and people in many in stances have come to the city in search of something a little more elaborate or expensive than is usually carried in their less pretentious establishments at home. The railroad transportation people all bear out the statement that heavy from near-by points. Trains have been late in consequence thereof and the Express and postoffice people bear silent weary testimony to the fact that never before have they seen any thing like it. --

CHRISTMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS. On the wharf and in the wholesale district, practically everywhere, there will be a recession from business from this evening until Monday morning. The banks, both National savings, will be closed during that period, as will also the Chamber of Commerce. The following holiday hours will be observed at the postoffice on Christmas day. One delivery and one collection by carriers. General delivery and stamp windows open from 9 A. M. to 10 A. M. Money order and registry departments closed all day. The postoffice people wish a merry Christmas to all. To-day, in order to avoid the rush, stamps will be sold at both windows. The Seaboard Air Line announces

that its freight office in Wilmington will be closed all day both on Christmes and New Year's Day and no freight trains will be run except those actually necessary for the transportation of live stock and perishable freight. Shippers are asked to take note of the announcement.

The schools closed yesterday and will not reopen until Monday after New Year's. At several of the schools appropriate exercises were observed and in a few instances the children and teachers enjoyed the delights of a Christmas tree.

CHRISTMAS WITH POLICE. Few people take into account with all the mad rush of the holiday that the men on the police beats of the city are experiencing their most trying time during Christmas. When the balance of the world is enjoying the gladness of the hour and all other employes have at least shortened hours, the guardians of the peace are bearing the brunt of their worst battle during the entire year. To-day Chief of Police Furlong will put on an extra force of from ten to fifteen men and the authorities, especially Mayor Springer and Chief Furlong, are desirous of maintaining a quiet befitting the people. While all possible latitude will be exercised, it is proposed to have no general infraction of the law. The ordinance regarding the use of fireworks on the streets, except west of Front street. has been suspended from to-day until after the New Year. Another exception to the suspension is that no firecrackers of over two inches in length will be allowed. The official notice is printed in another column.

Two Fires Yesterday. The fire department yesterday re ponded to two alarms. The first at 10:05 A. M. was on account of a small blaze at the livery stables of Orrell & toppled over in the office causing the lishment of W. H. Moore, colored slight.

Setton Still Climbing. The local cotton market yesterday advanced to 12; cents for middling. with receipts of 2,184 bales, against 1,487 same day last year. New York spot quotations yesterday were on a basis of 13.60 for middling.

Ladies' and Gents' solid gold and gold filled watches. J. T. Burke, Jew-eller, No. 27 South Front street.

The Jeweller.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

- Miss Ruby Wiggs, who has been quite sick, is much improved. - Dr. George F. Lucas, of Currie, N. C., is in the city on a business

mann's Bridge, arrived in the city yesterday.

- Mr. John Maunder, of Norfolk, arrived yesterday to spend the

Ohristmas in Wilmington, the guest of Mr. Pembroke Jones.

city spending the holidays. - Mrs. Russell Keys, of Detroit, is visiting her father, Dr. John God-

Emma Page. - Mrs. W. L. DeRosset and Miss

yesterday to spend Christmas with Mrs. W. L. Holt. - Mrs. E. G. Goodman, of El

Onslow county to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. M. Y. McKoy. -Mrs. J. O. Wiggs, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever, is now

- Mrs. T. R. Bryan and child, of Georgia, are at Shallotte to spend Christmas with Mrs. Bryan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stone.

hotel at Lumberton, came home yesterday to spend the holidays.

yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. N. M. Culbreth, on North Becond street. - Raleigh News and Observer:

pulpit on Sunday." from St. Mary's have come home to

spend the holidays: Miss Jennie Mur-

chison, Miss Ida Evans, Miss Florence Kidder, Miss Margaret Short and

- Dr. Shirley Carter and Mrs. Carter, of Baltimore, and Mr. Kenneth M. Murchison, Jr., of New York, arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with Col. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Mur-

- Mrs. W. R. Kenan, Mrs. Wise and Miss Sarah Kenan have gone to Palm Beach, Fla., to spend the Christmas season with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fingler at "Whitehall," their Winter home in Florida.

- Mr. Alex. McClure came home yesterday from the Central University, Danville, Ky., where he is taking a law course. Mr. McClure will spend the holidays with his father, the Rev. roller. Red lights had to be displayed Dr. A. D. McClure. on the big machine last night to pre

- Mr. Walter H. Savory, reprevent collision by pedestrians and other senting the Mergenthaler Linotype Company, was in the city yesterday. He spent some time at the STAR office. and we found him a most agreeable and intelligent gentleman. The Mergenthaler people made no mistake in selecting him as one of their represen-

PUNERAL OF THOS. T. SEEDERS.

Remains Laid to Rest in Oakdale Yesterday-Services from Church.

The funeral of the late Thos. T Seeders was conducted at 3:30 o'clock vesterday afternoon from Market Street M. E. church, Revs. A. B. Hatton, J. W. Potter and Alpheus Mc-Cullem officiating. There were a number of friends in attendance upon the obsequies. The floral tributes were very pretty and numerous.

The interment was in Oakdale cemetery the following having been the pall-bearers: Honorary, Dr. T. B. Kingsbury, and Messrs. A. G. Hankins, Jno. W. Hewett and W. K. Bell; active, Messrs. W. W. Hodges, A. P. Merritt, R. H. Beery, H. D. Stanland, Thos. E. Davis and T. H. Thompson.

Owing to a previous engagement of Alexander, southwest corner of Third Hollowbush's Academy Orchestra, and Princess streets. A stove pipe which has been secured for the occasion, the date of the ball and banquet trouble. The alarm at 5:25 P. M. to be given by the Howard Relief was on account of the explosion of a Company in honor of the completion gasolene lamp in the printing estab- of their handsome new club house on No. 14 Grace street. The damage was | changed to the evening of Jan. 1st, innote the change.

Competitive Drill.

The regular annual competitive Jr., acted as judges.

- Mr. Bruce Lee, of Banner-

holidays. - Mr. H. Walters will spend

- Mr. Leslie B. Wiggs, of the Medical College of Virginia, is in the

frey, at the Marine Hospital. - Miss Ellen Hollingsworth, of Fayetteville, arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with her aunt, Mrs.

Anita DeRosset went to Fayetteville

Paso, was here yesterday en route to

- Mr. Edwin A. McKoy, of Atlanta, and friend, Mr. Walter Gillican, arrived yesterday and are visiting

much improved her many friends will be delighted to know.

- Mr. T. H. Levitt, who is superintending the construction of a new

- Dr. N. Alex. Culbreth arrived

"Rev. R. J. Bateman left yesterday to visit his mother near Wilmington. He will return this week and fill his - The following young ladies

- Mr. Thomas A. McIntyre and party, of New York, will arrive tomorrow evening and go through to Verona to spend the holidays at "Glence," Mr. McIntyre's country

Front and Orange streets, has been stead of December 31st, as originally announced. The committee asks all members of the company to please

drill of the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves was held Tuesday night in their armory. The first prize, a gold medal, was won by Mr. J. Edwin Bunting, and the second prize, a silver medal, was won by Mr. James H. Mc-Farlane. Mr. J. Van B. Metts, Lieut. Notice the window at J. T. Burke's, H. M. Chase and Lieut. Clayton Giles,

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If warmth is what you want our COAL will give it to you.

Wm. E. Worth & Co. Bell Phones 94, 64. Inter-State Phones 416, 146.

OH! THAT ROAD ROLLER.

it Moved Yesterday but Not Far-Too Heavy for Wilmington Streets.

The big city road roller, which has

lain idle for so long in the City Hall yard, a "Jonah" to each and every person, who ever had the courage to look it square in the face or make remarks about it, has at last been moved. But, where? Out in the street, not a hundred yards from the City Hall yard gate, it is stuck hard and fast in the mud and sand, after having almost completed a successful trial trip of half a block. Machinists have toiled with it these past ten days; have patched it up; talked to it, coaxed it, but the big hulk of iron is just as worthless for Wilmington use as itwas the first day it struck town. Nearly everybody is willing to concede now that it's too heavy. However, Alderman Sweeney is yet to be heard from. He invited his fellow councilmen to take a drive about the city on the street sweeper and he was "right there with the goods," but unless be knows how to manage a bally horse or machine, he had been not hazard an invitation to his constitutents to take a spin around the city on the road

AN UNBECOMING MOVE.

vehicles of lighter calibre.

Miss Darby Corrects Possible Misappre-

heasion Regarding Postmastership. Having been informed that candidates in the field were resorting to such a measure, Miss Darby wishes to announce that she has authorized no one to get the endorsement of her friends, representing that she has wishdrawn from the postoffice race. Miss Darby is continuing her efforts for re-appointment and appears reasonably confident of success.

I am making a specialty of Ladies set rings. Solid gold only. J. T.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ONE WERK. Beginning Monday, Dec. 28th. Beturn of Wilmington's favorite, MABEL PAIGE.

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