OUR THANKS-

To our many patrons for their favors during the past season are respectfully tendered. Our business has been larger than our force could possibly handle, and we beg that any shortcoming in service be pardoned. With a greater stock, increased and improved

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We now have a full stock of Breech-loading Guns of several stand and manufactures Loaded Shells of all kinds, Gun Cases, Leggings, Shooting Coats, Hats; in fact a full assortment of season goods in the above line. We can make attractive prices.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

Raleigh News and Observer: The proposed compulsory education law has many obstacles to overcome before it is ratified.

-The shipments of manufactured tobacco from Winston-Salem during December footed up 3,213,070 pounds. This is an increase of 131,-76 pounds over December, 1903 The shipments that mouth amounted to 3,031,310 pounds.

- Three suits have already been instituted against the city of Winsten as a result of the reservoir disaster on Wednesday morning, Nov. 2. The complaints have not been filed, hence the amount of damages claimed is not yet known.

- Charlotte Observer: The Greenville, S. C., News says the South Carolina dispensary is running dangerously near the rocks of destruction, and it is of the opinion that the high-license life-boat may save it. Another instance in which the theory was beautiful, but the practice most abominable.

- Charlotte Observer : After a conference with his cabinet, the President has decided that no administration measure in regard to railroad freight rates will be urged on Congress. That body will be expected to prepare its own measure, but will be based on the views the President is known to entertain.

— At High Point on Friday morning at 1 o'clock, the mutilated remains of Jeff Beasley, of Randleman, aged 17 years, was found on the track of the Southern Railway. A passing train had run over his body. The conductor and train crew did not see the young man on the train and it is of course inferred that he was beating his way at the time of the accident.

Charlotte Chronicle: Another ship, this time a big steamer, has been caught on the treacherous shoals of Hatteras. Ships will con-tinue to meet their fate there until the government has solved the light house problem. A light house that will resist the terrible force of the waves at that point has so far baf-fied the skill of modern engineer-

— A dispatch from Greensboro on Friday says: Articles of incorporation of the Franklin Kaolin Mining Company have been forwarded the Secretary of State. The capital stock is \$35,000, subscribed by New York parties and J. E. Sinclair and S. J. Eisher, of Asheville. The company will mine and refine kaolin and other clays in Macon county. The lands were purchased from State Corporation Commissioner Rogers and others. The corporation attorney is Judge H. B. Stephens, of Ashe-

- Charlotte Chronicle: We are indebted to Mr. Joe Klouse for a notice of the death of "Big John" which occurred at Lowesville, Lincoln county, a few days ago. The deceased was 18 months old, and when dressed and thrown on the scales tipped the beam at 605 lbs. He was a hog-one of the fourlegged kind, with a leg on each cors ner, also a snout and bristles. The man who killed him is Mr. Julius McConnell, who is only one of the many prosperous Lincoln county men, well supplied with hog and

- A dispatch from Goldsboro on Friday says: At a called meeting of the farmers of Wayne county yes-terday afternoon it was decided to hold the cotton they have on hand for better prices and greatly reduce the acreage during the coming year. The meeting was largely attended Burns as a Musician.

very trge number of Burns' imniortal sougs were written to match music that was already popular. Speaking of such cor position, he says himself. "To sough the rune over and over is the readlest way to catch the inspiration and raise the bard into that glorious enthusiasm so strongly characteristic of our Scotch poetry."

On another occasion he refused to write for an unfamiliar air, saying that until he was master of a tune he never could compose for it. A recent writer has shown that Burns was far more of a practical musician than is generally supposed. He was familiar with hundreds of Scottish national airs, and his letters to his publishers often contained precise instructions or purely musical details.

Names of Animals.

The names for the camel are various, but the oldest seems to be gamal, or the "beast with the hump," which has been thought to be a loan word from Semitic speech, but which has no true Semitic derivation. Another loan word is the name ab, or hab, for the elephant, which occurs in Tamil, in Sanskrit, in Egyptian and in Semitic speech, but which was probably invented in or near India. The names for the horse are all very various, agreeing only in their derivation from roots meaning "to run" or "to be speedy." The taming of the horse seems only to have occurred in a time of early civilization, long after the separation of the various Asiatic stocks.-Scottish Review.

The Mistress Was Forgiving. A Boston man tells of a colored maid who came home about two hours later than she ought and burst out to her

"Oh, missus, I's got 'ligion; I's got "Very well," said the mistress; "I'l forgive you this time, but don't let

happen again."-Boston Record. An Oversight.

"Why does Mrs. Clubwoman look so

"The world's injustice to woman has just struck her forcibly again." "How was that?"

"She happened to think that Martha Washington isn't called the 'mother of her country." -Cincinnati Times-Star.

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The Fatal Germ and Its Remedy Now Facts of Science.

It is the rarest thing in the world for a man to be necessarily bald. No man whose hair is not dead at the roots, need be bald if he will use Newbro's Herpicide, the new scalp antiseptic. Herpicide destroys the germ that cuts the hair off at the root; and cleans the semp of dandruff and leaves it in a perfectly healthy condition. Mr. Mannett, in the Maryland Block, Butte, Mont., was entirely bald. In less than a month Herplgrowth, and nature did its work by covering his head with thick hair an inch long, and in six weeks he had a normal suit of hair. Sold by leading druggists, Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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Royal Cuticle Soap-Price 10 cents; sale price, 3 for 10 cents. See our window display.

Fine huck towels, 18 by 36 inches, 15c value, special price, 10c each. Don't fail to visit our new store for toys of all kinds.

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A personally conducted, special excursion to Havana, Cuba, January 2th, 1905, from washing on. D. C., Bichmoid and Norfolk, Va., and intermediate points in the States of Virginia, North and South Cardina, will connect with the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Company's steamer leaving Port Tampa, Fla., on the night of January fla, 1905.

The party will be limited to 150 persons, therefore reservations should be made promptly, in order to secure proper accommodations on the steamship "Oilvette," the most commodious ship of the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship "Ompany, which vill convey the party to Havana.

Tickets will be limited for return passage on any steamer leaving Havana until January 19, 1905, with privilege of stop overs at any point in the State of Florida, south of Jacksonville, within the final limit of ticket, which will be January 21st, 1905.

The rate, \$44.70 from, Wilmington, N. C., for the round tri., includes meals and staterooms on the steam hip.

Mr A. W. Fritot will meet the party in Jacksonville and accompany them to Havans. Mr. Frito speaks 8p nish fluently and will place himself at the disposal of the party, furnishing any information desired.

Trains for which tickets for this excursion will be sold will leave Wilmington, N. C., 3:30 P. M., Jan. 4th, 1905.

Make up your party and go and should you desire any other information, books, pamphlets, etc., on Cuba or "What to Bay in Spanish and how to say it," address

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