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RALEIGH LETTERS.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 5, 1903. As these lines are sent to the General Assembly...

Overman, Carr, Watson and Craig have had "heavens" opened here for some time...

If the Legislature should do the improbable thing of "throwing section to the wind" and decide to select an eastern man...

The Watson men have been making the biggest claims and doing the most bragging...

The management of the State Prison have made their report to the Governor...

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After ten days of vacation the faculty and students of Reformatory Institute have returned...

Mr. E. T. McKnight, of Aberdeen, who is a student at Davidson College...

European powers notified China that her failure to fulfill obligations provided for in the protocol will entail grave consequences.

PARKTON ITEMS.

Miss Maggie Gillis, of Galatia, spent part of last week with her brother, J. D. Gillis.

Miss Louisa Sessoms, the assistant teacher of Parkton High School, spent the holidays in Sweden.

Mr. C. Ward, who has been ill for so long, is now recovering.

Mrs. Sallie Johnson has resigned as manager of the hotel and will move to Lumber Bridge in the near future.

Mr. William Massey, of Fayetteville, was a welcome visitor last week.

Mr. Collier Cobb, who has been salesman for McMillan, Hughes & Co., has retired from his work...

Mr. W. R. King has returned to his school after spending the holidays with his parents near Clinton, N. C.

She was preceded to the heavenly land by her husband, the late Mr. Frank Ballard, one son of Rev. D. Ballard...

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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery...

An Aged Saldie.

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HER FIRST \$100.

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Mexican Mustang Liniment advertisement with illustration of a man on a horse and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

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THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS. Table with multiple columns listing financial transactions, including items like 'To the County Commissioners of the County of Cumberland', 'To the County of Cumberland', and various tax and interest payments.