

PLEIADES LAST NIGHT.

One of the Grandest Social Events of the Season--Some of Whom Were There.
The reception given by the seven young ladies who compose the "Pleiades" Thursday night was one of the grandest social events ever had in our little city. The reception was given at Dr. R. S. Youngs.
The spacious dancing room was artistically decorated with cedars and mistletoe and pink and green drapery, the colors of the "Pleiades." The souvenirs were beautifully tinted stars with seven points, on one side a four-leaf clover tied with dainty ribbons of pink and green, and the motto "In Luck We Trust." On the other was "The Pleiades, Dec. 27th, '94."

A KILLING IN VIRGINIA.

A Former Resident in Marion, N. C., Kills a Virginian and is Caught, Will be Lynched.
Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 27.—A terrible tragedy is reported from Bickley's Mill, Va., in which J. W. Williams shot and killed Bass Buckley. They were in Walter Dickenson's store when Williams accosted Buckley and told him he wanted to talk to him. As they started out to the store Williams shot Buckley twice, killing him instantly. The first shot penetrated his breast near the heart which turned him around and the second took effect in the back near the spinal column. The murderer has not been captured, but he cannot make his escape for there is a large posse pursuing him.
The murder has created a great sensation, and if he is captured he may be lynched.
Williams is a low, heavy set man, with darkens eyes and mustache, and is about 35 years old. He formerly resided at Marion, N. C.

GEORGIA CAPITOL BURNED.

Unquestionably an Incendiary Fire--The Gas Had All Been Turned Out.
Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 27.—The old capitol, now an office building, was ablaze for two hours this morning and the damage cannot be repaired for less than \$50,000. This includes losses on office furniture and on stocks of drugs and paints.
Without doubt it is an incendiary fire. When the flames reached the upper part of the building they found the fourth and fifth stories filled with gas. They turned off more than 100 jets from which gas was escaping.
A high wind was blowing and swept clouds of sparks for blocks, endangering millions of property. The fire burned furiously from 2:45 o'clock until 5 o'clock. In this time the third, fourth and fifth stories on the west wing were burned out. The whole roof was practically burned off. Fifteen lines of hose were playing on the fire, flooded the building and filled the basement to a depth of three feet.
Venable Brothers, who own the building, lose \$30,000. The Masonic lodge and the lights Templar lost all their paraphernalia. Jacobs, the druggist, loses \$10,000 on stocks in the basement. The Tripod Paint Company loses \$7,000 on stock. Twenty other tenants of the building lose from \$300 to \$1,000 on furniture and office fixtures.
Venable Brothers carry \$125,000 insurance on the property. The building looks to be unsafe and may be condemned tomorrow.
The inspectors condemned the building tonight. Three-fourths of it must be torn down. The capitol has long been considered unsafe. Ropes are stretched across Forsyth street, cutting off an electric car line. Cars are not allowed to pass the building.

IT WAS NOT A JOKE--IT DID SNOO.

The infant child of Mr. W. F. A. Propst is seriously ill.
Frosted windows were numerous this morning.
Master Orlend Corl is quite sick at his home on Depot street.
It was a pretty sight--the snow falling and sun shining.
We enjoyed watching the children playing in the snow, the beautiful snow.
A suitable reward will be given for the return of our devil who escaped while we were taking holiday.
As an effort towards putting itself in better odor with the world Chicago wants to prohibit cigarette smoking.
Seely's sentence will be reduced for good behavior in jail, which is an excellent argument for bank officials doing better while out of jail.
Those enthusiasts who took advantage of the time to play football had the holiday and something to boot.
In giving the weights of the Charlotte football team the News puts Frank O. Rogers at 180. This is pretty good for Frank.
A petition in fifty languages bearing on liquor selling has been gotten up by the W. C. T. U. It shows the ladies still depend largely on their tongues.
A small colored boy was dragged through the street Thursday afternoon by a cow. The cow got somewhat nervous and capered around town at a terrific rate.
Mr. J. L. Eddleman and family have moved back to Concord from Charlotte. Mr. Eddleman will travel for the Charlotte Machine Company and will go on the road about January 15.

THAT TOBACCO SCRAPE.

Mr. Hileman Intervened by a Standard Reporter.
Saturday about dusk a Standard reporter saw Mr. Hileman and had an interview with him about that tobacco scrape, who stated his side of the case as follows:
"Carter was in our neighborhood with his wagon, whiskey and tobacco. He stopped at my mill, where several others and myself were at work. He offered his tobacco for sale. We all wanted to purchase, but were unwilling to pay 25c per pound for the quality we bought, so we agreed to give him 20c per pound for 100 pounds, paying for it myself. After the tobacco had been dumped out of the box on the scales, I furnished two men, (he wouldn't give their names) with as much as they desired at the same price I had paid for it. There was no agreement," he said, "about giving the box back to Carter, as I have been charged with. Carter remarked three times that he would keep the box, as he had nothing to feed out of, and if I violated any law in letting him have the box back, it was unintentional. There is no man living who can say I have dealt in tobacco or whiskey. I did not give the box back for Carter to refill. He said he had nothing to feed out of, and naturally we let him take it, I having been placed in a similar position when traveling with wagon or buggy. I always carry a box. Carter was in our neighborhood for several days with his blockade, and was drunk and disorderly when last I saw him."
Mr. Hileman didn't knowingly violate any law, but the ignorance of law does not excuse him.
Mr. Hileman is very much hurt at the thought of the people of his own county thinking him an ally of blockaders.
Having represented Cabarrus county two terms in the General Assembly of North Carolina and not being posted on revenue laws speaks rather bad for our honored man.
Mr. Hileman says all these charges are brought against him for political effect, and after he has served his term in the Legislature, he will never allow his name to come before the people for public office. He said he had no political ambition and that he allowed his name to run merely as a compliment to himself. Ignorance is not bliss in all cases, neither is it folly to be wise.
Breckenridge Lectures.
And the Door Receipts are Attached by a Contributor of Essex Desha.
Cincinnati, Dec. 27.—Col Breckenridge spoke at the Pike opera house tonight on "Eras of American Development and Their Great Men." He had an audience of 250, seventy-five of whom were women. His lecture was flowery and pleasing to hear, but was received with little enthusiasm. In the midst of it a rumor spread over the house that the door receipts had been attached by Miss Pollard but this proved a mistake. The receipts were attached to secure a \$500 fee for taking a deposition for Desha in his father's case. Congressman Breckenridge, accompanied by Mrs. Breckenridge and his son Desha arrived in the city from Charleston, West Virginia, this morning.
It May Do as Much for You.
Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he has a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began the use of Electric Bitters, and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure all kidney and liver troubles and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price only 50c. for large bottle. At Fetzer's Drug Store.
Marriage at Cannonville.
Sunday morning at the hour of 9, Rev. Shealey, of the Cannonville Lutheran church, united in matrimony Mr. Thomas Allison to Miss Evie Ritch, at the home of Mrs. McLelland. Miss Ritch is a daughter of Mr. S. A. Ritch, who runs the pump house for the Southern, and Mr. Allison is an operative in the Cannon mill.
Dr. L. M. Archey returned Saturday morning from Washington, D. C. A full minion type column would fall to hold the doctor's happy, pleasant account of his trip and the joyous association with Rev. Wright G. Campbell during his stay in the Capital city. May the doctor have many repetitions of this visit to the legislative and senatorial happy hunting grounds.

HIGHEST OF ALL IN LEAVENING POWER--LATEST U. S. GOV'T REPORT.

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

TOUGH ON CABARRUS.
Our Representative in a Scrape--Carter Brought His Name Into Play.
Our Representative it seems, is in a hard row, judging from current rumors. We had heard Mr. Hileman's name in connection with the John Carter scrape, but gave it no credit, as we did not believe it. The following appears in the Salisbury Herald:
"It seems that John Carter had been arrested for selling some other firm's brand of tobacco out of a Holmes & Miller box. This violation of the revenue law was explained by Carter, who was behind the bars of Cabarrus county's jail. He had bought some of H. & M.'s tobacco in one of their boxes, from a bar in Salisbury, and after disposing of it had taken the box to Hunterville and filled it with 'Labor's Choice' which he was disposing of when caught. A F. Hileman, the Pop representative elect from Cabarrus, is in the soup" with Carter, having bought tobacco from him at a very low price and returned the boxes to be refilled.
Now, the Standard didn't think a man of honor (?) like Mr. Hileman would be guilty of a misdemeanor of this kind, he being our Representative and a man of law-knowledge. The charge is probably (?) false.
The Freeze.
Everything is frozen up, and if the freeze will continue just forty-eight hours longer the ponds around town will afford great sport for the boys.
At 6 o'clock this (Saturday) morning the thermometer was down to 4 degrees above zero, the lowest it has been this winter, this being the first cold snap.
Many of our citizens were caught napping, and we hear of a great number of flowers and hot house plants being killed by the severe weather.
Morris's pond will, no doubt, find many of our young people out there tonight and tomorrow taking advantage of the freeze and enjoying a good skate.
The ice is already three inches thick and still a-freezing.
Mr. Martin Propst, of No. 5 township, and parties from Nos. 3 and 10 townships, say birds can be seen all along the road frozen stiff, so cold it is.
Knights of the Maccabees.
The State commander writes us from Lincoln, Neb., as follows: "After trying other medicines for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of two days the cough entirely left them. We will not be without it hereafter, as our experience proves that it cures where all other remedies fail."—Signed F. W. Stevens, State Com.—Why not give this great medicine a trial, as it is guaranteed and trial bottles are free at Fetzer's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

REMINISCENCES OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT WHICH IS UPPERMOST IN MANY MINDS.

It is useless to ask us who our post is, but the following was run upon by the Standard reporter:
The Pleiades ball was a lovely affair. The boys were so manly--the girls were so fair.
And each was as happy and gay as a lark. And little cared they for the wind and the dark, Or heeded the cold of the bleak, outside night, For within it was all so warm and bright.
Over the Pleiades colors, the pink and green. The brilliant lights shed a golden sheen. And the spirit of Christmas was all through the air. As the girls' little feet twinkled over the floor. They felt there was nothing their hearts could ask more.
The elegant lunch was all it should be, And was eaten with merriest chatter and glee. Not the least thing was there the pleasure to many. And each guest bore away a bright, seven-pointed star. As a sweet souvenir of the Pleiades ball. That will long be sweetly remembered by all.
Two Negroes to Hang.
Asheville, N. C., Dec. 29.—The Supreme court has affirmed the decision in the case of Billy McDaniel, colored, and he will hang January 11th if nothing occurs to prevent. His partner, Henry Webb, is sentenced to hang at the same time, but his counsels are endeavoring to have the sentence commuted.

WINTER AND "SUMMER" WERE NEVER MORE CHARMINGLY PICTURED THAN THEY ARE THIS SEASON ON HOOD'S SARASAPARILLA CALENDAR.

"Winter and 'Summer' were never more charmingly pictured than they are this season on Hood's Sarasaparilla Calendar. This calendar is made in the shape of a heart and is ornamented with two child faces, lithographed in bright and natural colors, one peeping out, amid the snow flakes, from a dainty cap, and the other lighted up with all the glory of the summer sunshine. The usual information about the lunar changes and other astronomical events is given, and the calendar, besides being "a thing of beauty" is also useful every day in the year. It may be obtained at the druggist's.
Arrest of a Stamp Clerk.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—Chief Inspector Post today received telegram from Chattanooga, Tenn., stating that Inspectors Whiteside, Jones and P. H. Burke, of the office of the post-office for stealing mail.
It was Mrs. Coyer, instead of Corrier, as the Standard had it, who died at Forest Hill.

JEV. J. O. ALDERMAN IS SPENDING HIS THIRD YEAR IN CONCORD AS PASTOR OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

His people show their appreciation by giving him large congregations. And they show their appreciation in another way. On Christmas, 1893, they presented him a nice gold watch and chain; on Christmas, 1894, they presented him a nice overcoat, and on Christmas just passed, (1894) they presented him a purse with which to furnish himself with a baptismal robe. Nor is this all, just before Thanksgiving last they sent him in a nice load of groceries, as a Thanksgiving present. Then again before Christmas just passed they remembered him again and decided that he should not fast during Christmas, sending him many good things. Rev. Alderman and his wife very much appreciate the good will of the congregation.

HUNTING BUSINESS.

While our merchants enjoyed a good fall trade and our mechanics and laboring men were putting in full time for the past month, our Register of Deeds was about as busy as anybody else. Since the first day of December thirty-four marriage licenses have been issued. Whether this flourishing business is due to the Pops being in power or not, we are unable to say, but it is prevalent in Davidson county as well as this one. Davidson had issued forty up to the 26th, and as we got it, "it's not a good month for marriages up there."

WINE REDUCTIONS.

Pittsburg, Dec. 27.—The wage scale for the Edgar Thomson Steel Works of the Carnegie Steel Company at Braddeck has been presented to the workmen. The new scale makes a general reduction in all departments, including the common laborers. The only exceptions are employees of the foundries and the builders. The reduction in the blast furnace department amounts to 15 per cent. In other departments the reductions are the same that were imposed at the Homestead plant.

ITEMS FROM THE STAMPS NEWS.

"Fantastic parade" gotten up by the boys created some amusement in town Christmas day. A clown riding a donkey and an ox team carrying a crowd of boys wearing false faces were the principal features.

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SWEET LONG AGO.

Just twenty-seven years ago the 23rd of last May, Register of Deeds Weddington was issued his marriage license. There is nothing particular interesting about it more than that his was the first license registered on the big book he is now using, and that the license was drawn up by the late J. O. Wallace, who was then managing those affairs about the court house. The late J. W. Barrier performed the marriage ceremony for Mr. Weddington, being the first man the Rev. Barrier ever married.

HAPPINESS.

"What is your idea of happiness?" "Nothing to do and lots of time to do it in."—Texas Siftings.

SUNDAY DISSIPATION.

Two Boys Break the Ice and Many the Substitutes.
Early Sunday morning the sporting element of our youth was seen with his skates, some going to Morris's pond, some to the ponds at the depot and some to the mud holes on the Three Mile branch. All of the above named places afford good sized ponds and ice was several inches thick, on which skating was done all day and to a late hour at night.
Although the wind was high and cold the boys braved it as though it were a summer day, so enthused and excited were they over the first day's skating.
Two boys, one white, (we withhold his name) and one colored, a Caldwell boy, got good duckings, they having ventured out where the ice was too thin. As was natural, both boys say it was their last Sunday on the ice for fun.
How many of these young men, we wonder, thought of his boyhood days and the teachings of a dear, grey-haired father and mother, and the resolutions he made when he had committed to memory to fourth Commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, etc."

ENGLISH BURNED.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 27.—John Beatty's elegant residence, the Bungalow, four miles west of Asheville, was burned to the ground last night. It is the house Henry S. Ives died in. Loss, \$11,000, insured for \$7,000. Beatty and family left yesterday for Florida.

SOME BIG HOES.

Mr. John A. Oline, the tallest man in the county, killed two of the biggest hogs yet reported. The largest one weighed 607 pounds and the smallest 421, making Mr. Oline nearly one thousand pounds of pork, the two weighing 928. These hogs were 13 months old. Mr. Oline is a long, keen good one, even at hog raising. His smallest one beat the Standard's by 3 pounds.

GOLDSTONE ITEMS.

All well in our community. No special news to chronicle at present.
A good many are marrying this winter, which is said to be a sign of hardtimes, but we hope it is not the case this year. We hope to see peace and plenty, all old debts paid and everybody in good shape for another year, but notwithstanding it looks gloomy now.

WE WISH THE EDITOR MUCH SUCCESS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR, AND A GOOD PATRONAGE AND PLenty OF GOOD NEWS FOR THE PEOPLE.

RAISINGER.

Miss Nannie Alexander has moved her millinery goods in with Morrison, Lentz & Co., and Swink will move his beef market to the room vacated by Miss Alexander.

IT IS SAID OF A YOUNG MAN IN TOWN THAT WHILE CALLING ON HIS 'HEAT GIRL' ONE NIGHT NOT LONG SINCE, HE FELT ASLEEP. WE WONDER IF IT WAS THE MAGNETIC INFLUENCE OF THE YOUNG LADY OR AN OVERDOSE OF CHRISTMAS SLAUB.

MR. ALVIN W. CORRIER, OF DURHAM, WAS IN THE CITY FRIDAY.

Dr. Alvin W. Corrier, of Durham, was in the city Friday. Dr. Corrier has not been to Concord in fifteen years, and says our town has the appearance of assiduity and enterprise. His trip was not only for pleasure, as he was monkeying around the court house all day.
Mr. Andrew Grier, who has for the past several months been with G. W. Swink and who is a genial, good fellow, left today for Harrisburg his home, where he will spend a week or ten days before going to the A. & M. College, Raleigh.

MRS. J. O. ALDERMAN IS SPENDING HIS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AT HIS FATHER'S IN SAMPSON COUNTY, N. C.

Mrs. J. O. Alderman is spending the Christmas holidays at his father's in Sampson county, N. C. She will return January 3, bringing her two children that have been spending some months with their grandfather.

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EVERYBODY, ALMOST, HAS HEARD OR USED THE EXPRESSION: "I'LL BET MY HAT!" WE KNOW A YOUNG MAN WHO WAS SO UNFORTUNATE AS TO NOT POSSESS A HAT.

WATER PIPES RUNNING FROM THE MAIN ONE TO PRIVATE RESIDENCES WERE FROZEN. SEVERAL OF THE WASTE PIPES BURST.

THE YOUNG MAN WHO SUFFERED THE AGONY OF HAVING HIS LONG HAIR ROLLED IN PAPER LOOKS AS IF HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN ON THE "RAZEE" DR. JOHNSON SAW SOMETIME AGO.

QUITE A NUMBER OF FARMERS WERE IN TOWN AND GROUPS WERE SEEN IN SEVERAL OF THE STORES. PELTICES SEEMED TO BE AS HOT AS THEY WERE BEFORE THE ELEC. ION.

THE COLORED PEOPLE WILL CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S DAY BY MAKING A GREAT DEMONSTRATION OF THEIR FREE AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP. THEY WILL HAVE THE TOWN.

BESIDES HAVING FLUSHED PURSES, SOME OF THE BOYS WHO WITNESSED THE FOOTBALL GAME IN CHARLOTTE FRIDAY RETURNED WITH FLUSHED FACES. OF COURSE THE WEATHER HAD THAT EFFECT ON THEM.

WHILE LOOKING THROUGH OUR BOX OF CURIOS WE FOUND ONE GRAVEYARD RABBIT FOOT, THREE RINGS FROM A RACCOON TAIL, TWO BUCKEYES AND A "POSSUM EAR. WE LACK THE RIGHT WING OF A JAY BIRD AND OUR "HOODOO" PARAPHERNALIA WILL BE COMPLETE.

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HEART DISEASE.
Fluttering, No Appetite, Could Not Sleep, Wind on Stomach.
"For a long time I had a terrible pain at my heart, which fluttered almost incessantly. I had no appetite and could not sleep. I would be compelled to sit up in bed and belch gas from my stomach until I thought every minute would be my last. There was a feeling of oppression about my heart, and I was afraid to draw a full breath, and I was afraid to draw a full breath, and I was afraid to draw a full breath."
A young man in town is playing in hard luck, yet his friends thought they were doing the right thing by him Christmas when they so kindly remembered him by sending him a shaving mug and brush and a gold shirt button. He is out taking up subscriptions to get himself a razor and a shirt, that he may be able to put his presents into use.
Two Negroes Try to Kill Themselves.
Macon, Ga., Dec. 28.—A Strong and F. Carthers, two negroes who were recently convicted of murder in Pulaski county and sent here for safe keeping, tried to take their lives this morning by swallowing some poisonous drug.