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Hon. B. w. Hatcher'sLeeture,
.The Hon, B. W-Hatcher, the State lecturer of the Masonic or der, dolivered his appointed lec ture in the court house Thurs day, beginning at 2.45 , speaking for 30 miputes. He spoke from manuscript. .Indeed it is hardly possible for anyone to form ex emoraneous sentences with tha symmetry and beauty with which he clothed his thoughts. As he described the temple of Solo mon in the perfection of its parts manipulated with the skill of the highest training, the rhetorical precision and the fluency of fit ting terms which he brough forth seemed to make it easy to realize that that grand structure went up without the sound of axe or hammer. The figure referred to the building up of well round moral character.
The Bible, he said, is the light of Masonyy. The human mind looks inquiringly for that which beyond. Masonry digs deep into the quarry of Divine truth and brings out the beauteous character as if evolved from the divine mind.
He touched upon that mystir power of Masome training by which eye answers to eye and recogntzes the friend though he is met in the ranks of a deadly foe or where words are not intel ligible.
The world's famous edifices were lopg years in building. aven some measuring beyond a century, but the temple of Solo mon, the grandest of all, was built in about seven years Thu Masonry teaches the art of moral training that facilitates the de velopment of the moral character into a structure of spiritual sym metry and beauty.
Doubtless, too, the address had meaning and a charm, for the craft that is not caught by those not trained in the mysteries of the order.
What Hurt the Negro.
The Ethiopian, a South Caro
lina paper, odited by Rev. E W
Willians, a well-known colored
man, says in a recent editorial :
The greatest blow the negro
$\begin{aligned} & \text { has ever received, and the one } \\ & \text { from whose damaging effects he }\end{aligned}$
will never recover, was give
$\operatorname{him}_{\text {ments. }}$ by congressional enact
ments. It was the unconstitu-
franchise, for which he was in
no way qualified. No govern-
$\begin{aligned} & \text { ment has ever done a defenceless } \\ & \text { people a greater injury. We do }\end{aligned}$
people a greater injury. We do
that have passed amendments $f$
their constitutions abridying the
privilege of some of the citizens
frangbise, have done the negro
half so seat an evil as was done
when it imposed this right upon

The Best Proscription for Chills Andă fever is a bottle of Grove's Taste less Chill Tonic, It infsimply iron ond quinine in a tasteless form. No cure-

At the Opera fonseTonight © :
Reninember - dhat the Children of the Confederacy will show us what they can do tonight for the ove of the cause they mean to perpetuate apd keep verdant in the minds of their generation beide adding their might to the comfort of those who have had o retire from the batule of life passing "over the river."
Remember too that they are children and cannot be made to wait nor will they be asked to do o. The doors of the opera house will be open at 7:30 o'clock nd the curtain will rise at 'clocks. The drilling we learn easonable may be expected of the performers. We are glad to learn that many tickets have been sold. Twenty-five cents is lin of seats except for the peanut gallery which sell for 15 seats.

## Nue Munday Too Much of Everything

 but God.Joe Munday, who has had a various experience as actor, au hor, playwright, preacher, drunkard, Keeley Institute sub. ect, and at present an evangeist, gave two lectures here, Sunday afternoon and Monday night. He sheds tears, plays he monkey, and acts the drunkard during the course of his lecures and then shows how exper e is in taking up collections charged. As usual, our peo ple were very gullible and contributed largely to the cause. A home preacher would have failer in getting two bit where Munday received forty times as much. His lecture on
Monday night on. "There's a brand new baby in town" was said to be decidedly "bum," and he jokes he tald were so stale
hat they had hairs on them. Nòt wishing to do Joe Munday any harm, we can't refrain from aving a small opinion of this decidedly more of big "Ego" in this man's talk than there is o God.-Stanly Enterprise.

## Toodson-Bervlemrdt.

Cards are out anounncing the mariage on Dec. 20th of Mr. Pauline Bernhardt in St. Luke's Episcopal church, Salisbury
Avoid all drying inhalants and use
hat which ole onnes nod hands the membrane.

 of hearing. By the ure of Extent loss
Balm dropping of muens bas
Beneent orce and heariog have greatly
improved.- J. W. Davidson, Atit. at ar, Monmouth, ill.
velekates Here Can Talk to
The Interstate Tetephoue Com pany has placed a 'plione with ong aistance comnections, in the Sunday school room of the First Baptist church for the conveniences of the delegates and those in attentance. The company has placed this 'phone in free of charge and it will be a reat convenience.
The Interstate Company has now made its connections with the Henderson company and Ral gh has long distance connec .ons with Winston-Salem and oro, Wilson and Tarboro on the east and Weldon and Henderson on the north with nearly all in ermediate stations.
The completion of all these new lines gives Raloigh direct telephone connection with over ities, and it is possible to com unicato $w^{\text {th }}$ th the-offices and omes of over 250,000 people without
fireside.

## A large number of delegates to

 the convention can talk to per sons in their home towns. with out leaving the church.-Raleigh
## es.

the New Bern Conterence
A New Bern special of the 6th
says; "Conference met at 9:30 oclock this morning. The char cter of preachers in five district were passed. The name of Rev T J Gattis being called, his pre siding elder, J T Gibbs, an nounced that there was nothing against him save the complica ions involved in his law sui against Dr. Kilgo and others. He requested the Conference to pas pending in court and as this ac tion would be in accord with tha of the Conference last year. The his name to the committee "o Conference relations for super annuation.
"Dr. Kilgo addressed the Con ference. He referred to the re cent trial and thanked the Con ference for the action of yester day. He stated that be had no malice toward any man and tha he could not stand as a ministe any one. Many assa"ed him of continued confidence.
"An anniversary meeting wa held tonight."

## Served Him Right.

From the Stanly Enterprise
wo note that the Albemarle peo people, last week, gave the Rev L Miller, in his own words, such a pounding asohe will feel the effec

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Chisistmas Comes

## but once a year and everybody

takes this opportune season to
to beautify their home and put on a little extra touch of bright ness and cheerfulness.
Tine glorious seasons' tradi-
tions are revealed more cleary at Parks \& Co's than
where else. Our efforts have ruch to do with the pleasant expression on peoples faces that
give the days their charac Tline whole store is putting
n Christmas airs. We have separate Toy department;well lighted and carpeted, covering over 200 squarebfeet of floo

## Thils is by far the largest

Toy department ever opened in Concord. It is filled with all the latest novelties, both foreign and domestic

## Ounf Chinin department is

reating quite a sensation and we invite you to visit this department through mere curiosity, even if you do not want to buy

## YOul will see somothing that

just what you have been
wanting. Our
Counter is a wonder. Over 50
pieces of $O$ pal ware worth 15 and
25 c . find a c.- find a place here
well as handsome

China, Glassware, etc. 50 Pell as handsome piecture Frames ferent kinds, new style-bought at a low price and sold the same,way. One lot at 10c. that are wo th

TH. I. PARERS de CO. department store.

Tell it to Your Neighbors
Furniture Store

## of Bell Harris \& Company.

Spécial Sale
to continue until December 1st. Bon'gis the chance bof
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dollars worth of dollars worth of
Furniture and Houşe Furnishimgs
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