

New Advertisements
Fork Hogs—Special.
Graham Flour—Special.
New Schedule—Clyde Line.
Holiday Novelties—J. H. Hardin.
Cooking Butter—D. C. Whitted.
To Santa Claus—O. F. Love & Co.
More Hoses Wanted—W. M. Cumming.

Weather Conditions
(C. M. Strong, Local Forecaster.)
T. S. Weather Bureau Office.
The high barometer area central over the south Atlantic coast continues fair warmer weather over the east and south. A storm area is over the northwest, but with mostly fair weather under it.

LOCAL FORECAST.
To 12 o'clock (incl.) Thursday—Fair; warmer weather; southerly winds.
FOR THE 24 HOURS.
Washington forecasts to 12 o'clock (incl.) Thursday—Generally fair and warmer; southerly winds.

TEMPERATURE.
196-8 a. m., 41 degrees; 8 p. m., 50 degrees; highest, 52 degrees; lowest, 44 degrees.
178-8 a. m., 42 degrees; 8 p. m., 53 degrees; highest, 62 degrees; lowest, 40 degrees.

Fort Calendar—Sun rises, 6:58 a. m.; sun sets, 4:46 p. m.; high water at Southport, 7:19 a. m.; low water at Wilmington, 9:08 a. m.
Moon's Phases—Full moon, 8th, 11:26 p. m.; last quarter, 16th, 11:13 p. m.; new moon, 23rd, 1:41 p. m.; first quarter, 29th, 11:14 p. m.; apogee, 23rd & 30th, 10:02.

FIFTY LOCALS.

See new schedule of the Clyde Steamship Company.
There will be a meeting of the board of directors of the Merchants' Association this afternoon at 4 o'clock at their office in the Seaboard Air Line building on North Front street.

On account of the Christmas holidays, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets between points in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina at the rate of 4 cents per mile one way for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale December 25th to the 28th, inclusive, and will be valid to January 1st, inclusive, limited to January 4th for the return.

Mr. Hans P. Andersen, international secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, will be in the city next Saturday and Sunday, and will address a mass meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon. He will be the guest of Mr. B. G. Worth while here. The meeting will be for both men and women.

Egypta Tribe of Red Men had quite an interesting time at their meeting last night. Eight pale faces were adopted, and afterwards the braves enjoyed a collation. The Messenger was remembered with the bounty from the tables, and returns thanks for refreshments sent to the office.

PERSONAL MENTION.
Mr. Geo. B. Alken, of Baltimore, is at the Orton.
Mr. J. L. McLean, of Maxton, is here on business.
Mr. T. R. Landon, of Clinton, is in the city on business.

Mr. London C. Jones, of Fayetteville, came down to the city last night.
Mr. R. J. Hester, one of Elizabethtown's business men, is in the city.

Mr. J. E. Koonce, of Jacksonville, was in the city yesterday calling on our business men.
Mr. Frank Andrews, a prominent merchant of Tar Landing and Jacksonville, was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. Samuel Bell, of Shalotte, arrived in the city yesterday with his wife and brother, Mr. C. F. Bell, Sr., who we regret to learn is a very sick.

So those beautiful Dress Goods that Johnson & Fore are retailing at 50c per yard.
C. F. & Y. V. RAILWAY.

Furry in Its Securities Caused by Reports Favorable to the Interests of the Holders.
The Baltimore Sun of yesterday contains the following interesting information concerning one of Wilmington's railroads:

A furry in the securities of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad yesterday stirred up some excitement on the stock exchange. Compared with prices of a week ago, 10 per cent more was bid for series A bonds, 14 per cent for series B, and 15 per cent for series C. The advance of 15 per cent, over what was offered for them a week ago. During the day 15 bonds sold from an opening bid of 100 bid at the close and C bonds sold from 47 1/2 to 48.

Two seasons were given by the street for these advances. One was the settlement of the differences between the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern railway promising more station and equipment. The other was the belief that the court of appeals would affirm the decision of Judge Blanton ordering that the road should be sold as an entirety and not by divisions. It is thought that the earnings of the Baltimore reorganization committee will be carried out.

It is understood that a reorganization of the property will develop the appearance in control of a strong railroad at Hilton. In some quarters the Southern railway is regarded as likely to get control of the property, while others believe that an alliance with the Seaboard Air Line will be formed. At a meeting of the company's bondholders in Baltimore about two years ago propositions were submitted by both the Seaboard and Southern. The Seaboard offered to operate the whole property on a management plan, while the Southern offered to operate it as a subsidiary of the latter. Under Receiver Gill the road has been put in the physical condition and the earnings are reported to be greater than at any time in the history of the road.

The Artesian Well.
Messrs. Thompson & Storey, contractors for the artesian well of the Clarendon Waterworks, which was completed, reached a depth of 150 feet last night when work was suspended for the day.

Professor J. A. Holmes, state geologist, is greatly interested in the well. He arrived here yesterday to secure specimens of the sands, clay, and rock through which the drill may pass, and to secure any other specimens that it is possible to obtain. He has made arrangements to get specimens from the top to the bottom of the well, and will exhibit them in stands, one to be kept at the state university and one in the state museum at Raleigh. As soon as a supply of flowing water is struck he will secure samples of the water for analysis, and will closely watch for anything that will be of interest or value concerning the experiment to obtain a supply of pure water.

Plantation Commandery.
At the regular convocation of Plantation Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar last night, the following officers were elected:
E. C. W. P. Toomer,
Generalissimo—M. S. Willard,
Captain General—U. M. Robinson,
Fratel—G. Z. French,
Senior Warden—J. W. Jackson, and
Junior Warden—E. J. Baltzer.
Treasurer—J. C. Munda,
Recorder—H. G. Smallbones.

The above, with the appointive officers, will be installed at the regular meeting in January.

We want to buy all the eggs in North Carolina. Will pay the highest cash price. Write us for quotations. Give this immediate attention if you wish to sell your eggs.
W. S. BARNES & CO.,
255 Exchange, Raleigh, N. C.

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE.

Mr. Walter L. Parsley's little son Walter L. Jr., Run Over and Killed by a Colored Bicycleist.
Yesterday about 12:30, while Adolphus Thomas, the colored shoemaker, was riding a bicycle over Market street, he ran into and so severely injured little Walter L. Parsley, Jr., son of Mr. Walter L. Parsley, that the little fellow died from his injuries at 5:15 p. m. The accident occurred nearly in front of the residence of Mr. Hugh MacRae, uncle of the unfortunate little boy, next door to Mr. Parsley's residence.

Little Walter and his little cousins, the son and daughter of Mr. MacRae, and some other children, were playing and romping from the grass plot in the middle of the street to the pavement. Thomas states to a Messenger representative that he was riding on Market street at "a right smart gallop," when he saw Mr. MacRae's son, Hugh, chase little Walter from the grass plot across the street towards the pavement. He says he followed the children to the grass plot, and when he saw the bicycle struck him and knocked him down. When the wheel fell, Mr. MacRae's little boy, who could not stop himself, ran over it and fell, also causing himself, receiving a blow that caused a severe contusion on his forehead. Thomas immediately picked up Mr. Parsley's little boy and carried him over to Mr. MacRae's residence and thence he was taken to Mr. Parsley's home next door.

Dr. George G. Thomas was called immediately, but the injuries were so serious that death resulted at 5:15 p. m. The little boy suffered a fracture of the skull and received a severe blow on the right hip.

Thomas was very greatly distressed over the accident and staid at Mr. Parsley's residence until Mr. Parsley arrived from out town. He expressed great sorrow over the accident, and after he had come up town and subsequently learned that the little boy had died, he went to the city hall to surrender himself. Captain Robert Green, as soon as he heard of the accident, made an investigation, and when Thomas went to the hall he told him to come back later and he would let him know what was to be done about the matter. Thomas came back at 8:30 p. m. and was sent over to jail.

Mr. Parsley says he is satisfied, from the conduct of Thomas, that while he may have been riding fast, the accident was purely accidental and not the result of intent or malice. He says he does not desire to prosecute Thomas.

Little Walter was five years old in June last and was a manly and very bright child. In the very great bereavement his parents have received from this shocking death of their little boy, they have the deep sympathy of the entire community.

The funeral will take place today at 3 o'clock from Mr. Parsley's residence. Johnson & Fore will be the best kind of casket. If you don't believe it, buy a pair.

Thorp-Meares.
St. James Episcopal church was the scene of a beautiful wedding yesterday evening at 5:50 o'clock, the contracting couple being Mr. William B. Thorpe and Miss Margaret Engelhard Meares, daughter of Mr. Walker Meares, all of our city.

The chancel was very tastefully decorated with palms and ferns and the altar was beautifully adorned with white chrysanthemums. The church was crowded with relatives and friends of the couple, and when the bridal party arrived the entry was made up the main aisle, while Mr. E. H. Munson, the organist, rendered "The Bridal Chorus" from Loehngrin.

The ushers, Messrs. J. N. Broad, W. C. Crone, H. M. Chase and Thomas H. Wright led the way, followed by the groomsmen, Messrs. A. A. Thorpe, R. B. Davis, Jr., Joe Ramsey and James Braswell, of Rocky Mount, and Mr. Jno. C. James, of this city. Then came Miss Eliza McPherson, one of the maids of honor, and following her were the bridesmaids, Mrs. Benj. F. Baird, of Philadelphia, Miss Lucy Thorpe, of Rocky Mount, sister of the groom, and Miss Annie Foxworth, of Rocky Mount. The bridesmaid, Miss Lucy Thorpe, of Rocky Mount, sister of the groom, and Miss Annie Foxworth, of Rocky Mount.

The bride was given away by her father, Mr. H. H. Meares, and the bride and groom were accompanied by Mr. H. H. Meares, and the bride and groom were accompanied by Mr. H. H. Meares.

After the ceremony had been pronounced, the bridal party retired to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, while the bride in the tower proclaimed the joyous event.

The bride wore a handsome tulle-trimmed white silk train, trimmed with chiffon, and carried a lovely bouquet of bride roses. The maids of honor wore beautiful decollete dresses of pink silk and carried bouquets of pink carnations. The bridesmaids were becomingly attired in white organdie, decollete, with waists trimmed with pink roses, and carried bouquets of white carnations.

From the church the bridal party were driven to the residence of the bride's father, on Market street, between Seventh and Eighth streets. At 7:15 p. m. the bride and groom took the train on the Atlantic Coast Line and pulled for a northern tour. As the train pulled out, showers of rice were thrown after them by the friends who had accompanied them to the station.

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THE DOLL BAZAAR.

Second Night of the Charming Entertainment by the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church.
Last night was the second of the Dolls Bazaar, which is being held at the city hall under the auspices of the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. church, and again there was a large attendance. The evening's entertainment was opened by the orchestra, which very admirably rendered "The Iron Cross" as an overture, Niagara Quickstep and Black America.

With Miss Fannie Corbett playing softly on the piano and Miss Hatfield Taylor on the violin, the beautiful poem, Dream of Fair Women, lovely young ladies representing the various characters of the poem came forward on the stage and posed while Miss Sallie Bryan as "Cleopatra" reposed on a divan hidden by a lovely screen that was removed as the reading progressed. The characters were represented by Miss Eva Willis as Helen of Troy, Miss Louise Corbett as Iphigeneia, Miss Henrietta Shepard as Jephtha's daughter, Miss Annie Bowden as Margaret Moore, Miss Mary Shepard as Joan of Arc, Miss Annie Taylor as Rosamond, and Miss Carrie White as Queen Eleanor. The young ladies were elegantly costumed and the scene was surely a rare and radiant one.

The beautiful young ladies appeared all the more beautiful in their rich and becoming costumes and they were immensely admired and complimented by a charmed audience. When the curtain went down there was a burst of the most appreciative applause.

When the above feature had ended the booths were patronized, and the ladies served substantial and delightful refreshments till nearly midnight. The refreshment tables were waited on by charming young ladies and were presided over by Mrs. Mabel Barnes, Mrs. G. G. Lewis, Mrs. Henry Burkhalter, Mrs. T. W. Claryson, Mrs. James F. Post, Jr., Mrs. W. L. Beery, and Misses Lula King, Francis Willis and Minnie Perdue.

Tonight the entertainment will close with the features presented on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, the Avon Chorus from H. Trovatore and Tennyson's Dream of Fair Women. Refreshments will be served, and the ladies hope to close out their stock of dolls, fancy articles, etc.

The Schooner Roger Moore.
The tug Wm. McCauley, Captain Jacobs, of Savannah, arrived here yesterday with the schooner Roger Moore in tow. The Roger Moore, which was damaged, a few weeks ago in the storm off the Georgia coast, was brought here for repairs and is at Skinner's ship yard.

The remarkable noise, which was heard in the harbor yesterday and last night was the McCauley's whistle. It sounded like St. Lovingsgood's description of trephine made by a panther with a grindstone on its tail.

Stop drugging yourself with quack nostrums or "cures." Get a well-known pharmaceutical remedy that will do the work. Catarrh and Ely's Cream Balm is used. Drugist will supply the trial size or 50c full size. We mail it to you.

ELY BROS., 55 Warren St., New York.
Rev. John Redd, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement. "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed." Rev. Francis J. Poole, of the Central Presbyterian Church, Helena, Mont.

The Bicycle Race.
New York, December 8.—At midnight the indomitable eighteen were still pedaling their way around the high banked floor of Madison Square garden. From mid-night to mid-night Miller had put more than 350 miles behind him. This marvelous record on the third day of the great race carried him along to a total of more than 1200 miles in seventy-one hours, 13 minutes and 45 seconds.

ing this weary journey Miller has left the track but for a few hours. With the exception perhaps of Stephanie, the Frenchman, Miller had up to late in the afternoon had less sleep than any other man on the track, and he was in as good condition as he was yesterday, when experts claimed that he would be unable to continue.

The next man to Miller at the present time is the Englishman, who has ridden more than fifty miles behind. But he is strong and seems to have the same determination that carried him almost to the front in the big race of last year.

Last year's champion, Teddy Hale, whose great ride then promised to be far outdone this year, is now making up ground. He is almost 175 miles behind the leader, but, nevertheless, he has a chance of winning, which he held last night, to eighth place, and is certain to go much higher before the end is reached.

Meeting of American Church Missionary Society.
Philadelphia, December 8.—The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the American Church Missionary Society, was held here this afternoon. General Wager Swann, U. S. A., the president of the society, presided.

Rev. J. Thompson Cole, general secretary of the society, submitted the report of the executive committee. It stated in part:
The apparent loss to the society from the misconduct of its late treasurer has been once more increased by the amount of \$8,892.65, the principal of a \$10,000 mortgage, which was given by him to the society and which a forced sale under the first mortgage was extinguished. The income of the Ely Fund of \$20,000 has been for many years devoted to Griswold college, Iowa. In compliance with the terms of the deed the committee have withheld the income for a year and appropriated it to the theological seminary of Virginia. The society has received during the year \$7,514.01 in special contributions for church building in Brazil.

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A Costly Escape.

Fort Smith, Ark., December 8.—The dead body of James Murray, constable at Jennings, a coal mining town in Sebastian county, was found Monday morning lying by the roadside. He left his home at Jennings Sunday afternoon and went to Bonanza to arrest a miner named Grant McBroon, for whom he had a warrant. He captured McBroon without trouble and arrested him with the prisoner for Jennings about midnight. That was the last seen of Murray alive. The constable's body was found lying by the roadside this morning about thirty yards from the start of the Bonanza mine. His hands were tied securely behind his body and his neck was black and blue showing plainly the print of a rope which had been twisted about his neck. A dozen bullet wounds in the officer's body and his clothing was torn into shreds by the bullets. The constable was dead man but the imprints and lacerations of the cuticle showed unmistakably in what manner the constable had met his death. The constable had an investigation and it has been fully developed that he was waylaid by a mob of McBroon's followers. The constable, determined upon rescuing the prisoner and went to Bonanza to arrest him. Murray was lynched and his body was thrown into the roadside. McBroon was arrested today. Every effort is now being bent on discovering the members of the mob.

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(From The Cheraw Chronicle.)
It is said that the sapporango grape will yield 1,000 gallons of wine per acre. It is also said that Chesterfield county has hundreds of acres of land that will grow cowpeas and yet this very land is said to be the very thing for grape growing. It is said that some of the best grapes someone has not started the industry before now. In California new wine, it is said, sells for twenty-one cents a gallon and in this country for twelve. London, December 8.—The sales of grapes are being held for the grape crop of the present year. The authorities on pineapple culture on the coast of Florida consider \$200 an acre a very conservative estimate of net profit. Some growers during the last season have realized as much as \$400 per acre.

Pinapples in Florida.
(Jacksonville Times-Union.)
Net profits from each acre of pineapples grown on the Indian river, \$300; from six acres, \$1,800; from ten acres, \$3,000; from thirty acres, \$9,000; from even sixty acres. These are not impossibly high figures, but they are from the crop of the present year. The authorities on pineapple culture on the coast of Florida consider \$200 an acre a very conservative estimate of net profit. Some growers during the last season have realized as much as \$400 per acre.

Fordham G. Wicker has been appointed fourth class postmaster at Pinehurst, N. C.

Chicago, December 8.—Mrs. Florence Van Schaak today began suit against her father-in-law, Peter van Schaak, one of the leading business men of Chicago, asking damages in the amount of \$75,000 for alienation of her husband's affections and \$50,000 for libel. Mrs. Van Schaak claims that her father-in-law induced her husband to leave her by means of letters containing charges of infidelity, and that she was a plaintiff recently secured a verdict by default of \$65,000 against the defendant. She claims that the defendant was being operative in Chicago, she was brought another action.

Richmond, Va., December 8.—In the state senate today Senator Parr introduced a bill for the establishment of an industrial home for girls under the control of a board of directors, to consist of ladies of distinguished families. Girls eligible to be received into the home must be between the ages of 12 and 18 years of age, who may be committed by any justice of the peace, on complaint of a parent or guardian, to the care of the industrial home for girls. The bill also provides that the girls may be sent to the home by any circuit, criminal or inferior court in this state.

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Vienna, December 8.—It is expected that Emperor Francis Joseph will shortly issue decrees providing for a year the status quo between Austria and Hungary regarding the sharing of imperial expenditures, and other similar matters. The government is continuing the negotiations for a settlement of the long-standing question of the rights of the Bohemian diet was postponed.

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It is said that the sapporango grape will yield 1,000 gallons of wine per acre. It is also said that Chesterfield county has hundreds of acres of land that will grow cowpeas and yet this very land is said to be the very thing for grape growing. It is said that some of the best grapes someone has not started the industry before now. In California new wine, it is said, sells for twenty-one cents a gallon and in this country for twelve. London, December 8.—The sales of grapes are being held for the grape crop of the present year. The authorities on pineapple culture on the coast of Florida consider \$200 an acre a very conservative estimate of net profit. Some growers during the last season have realized as much as \$400 per acre.

Pinapples in Florida.
(Jacksonville Times-Union.)
Net profits from each acre of pineapples grown on the Indian river, \$300; from six acres, \$1,800; from ten acres, \$3,000; from thirty acres, \$9,000; from even sixty acres. These are not impossibly high figures, but they are from the crop of the present year. The authorities on pineapple culture on the coast of Florida consider \$200 an acre a very conservative estimate of net profit. Some growers during the last season have realized as much as \$400 per acre.

Fordham G. Wicker has been appointed fourth class postmaster at Pinehurst, N. C.

Chicago, December 8.—Mrs. Florence Van Schaak today began suit against her father-in-law, Peter van Schaak, one of the leading business men of Chicago, asking damages in the amount of \$75,000 for alienation of her husband's affections and \$50,000 for libel. Mrs. Van Schaak claims that her father-in-law induced her husband to leave her by means of letters containing charges of infidelity, and that she was a plaintiff recently secured a verdict by default of \$65,000 against the defendant. She claims that the defendant was being operative in Chicago, she was brought another action.

Richmond, Va., December 8.—In the state senate today Senator Parr introduced a bill for the establishment of an industrial home for girls under the control of a board of directors, to consist of ladies of distinguished families. Girls eligible to be received into the home must be between the ages of 12 and 18 years of age, who may be committed by any justice of the peace, on complaint of a parent or guardian, to the care of the industrial home for girls. The bill also provides that the girls may be sent to the home by any circuit, criminal or inferior court in this state.

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