

ROBBERS REAP IT RICH

\$75,000 in Valuables Stolen From a Multimillionaire.

SIX SHIPWRECKS SAVED.

A Schooner Bound From Richmond Lost, Then Burned—The St. Louis' Rough Passage and Record.

New York, Dec. 28.—American liner St. Louis arrived this morning, reducing her westward record to two hours and thirty-nine minutes. She was beset by rough gales.

New York, Dec. 28.—Isaac Townsend, a multimillionaire and one of the leaders of the four hundred and his wife, lament the loss of seventy-five thousand dollars worth of diamonds and unquoted stocks and bonds, easily convertible into cash. The goods were taken from a safe in his private residence, No. 5, East Twenty-sixth street, about 11 o'clock last night while the family were awake.

New York, Dec. 28.—Ward liner steamer Niara, from Cuba, picked up Captain Cullen and five men of the schooner Francis L. Godfrey, from Richmond, Va., to Philadelphia, Pa., loaded with railroad ties, during the gale off Cape Hatteras. The schooner was water-logged and was burned.

LONDON HOLIDAYS GOLD.

The Venezuelan Flurry Considered Over.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Sheet, cold, fog and by winds made the holiday season a hard one for London's homeless population and dampened somewhat the people's enjoyment of it. All who could went out of town. The Queen's celebration at Osborne passed off with the customary gaiety. The Queen and her court will remain at Osborne until the middle of February, before going to Nice.

The difficulty with the United States regarding Venezuela, is still the leading topic of debate throughout political and newspaper circles, but interest in the matter has diminished considerably, as from the stand-point of politics the crisis is regarded as over, while attention centers to the financial aspect.

General satisfaction is expressed with the names of Lincoln, Fuller, and Phelps in connection with the boundary inquiry. It is believed that their entire attention will be given to get at the simple facts.

DUEL BETWEEN WOMEN.

Florida Girls Fight to the Death for a Sweetheart.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. PUNTA GORDA, Fla., Dec. 28.—Miss Ella Scott and Miss Lena Thomas, both belles, handsome and highly connected, fought a duel here Wednesday that resulted in terrible and instant death to one. Excitement is running high in Punta Gorda, and though threats of lynching have been made by the dead girl's friends, it is not believed that any such action will result. Lovers' troubles caused the melee. They met in their sweetheart's office. One had a knife, the other a revolver. They clinched and fought like mad for many minutes. Finally they staggered apart for only an instant. Miss Thomas seized the revolver and blew Miss Scott's brains out. Her victim died at once. Miss Thompson is in jail and is now awaiting trial. There is talk of arresting the lover, who is Henry Cassidy, a prominent business man.

Mikado's Opening Speech.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. YOKOHAMA, Dec. 28.—The Japanese parliament was opened today by a speech from the throne by the Emperor, who said he was rejoiced at the end of the war with China; that order had been established in the island of Formosa; that the relations between Japan and the foreign powers were more intimate than formerly. He said that the Japanese empire had already achieved striking progress in civilization, but it had been a long and arduous task. Measures will be introduced to increase the defenses of the country.

How Make It Possible?

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Labor Commissioner Wright who recently issued a circular asking the labor leaders non-partisan suggestions relating to the general welfare of the public has received a reply from the Knights of Labor requesting that they be put to work to devise a feasible plan to abolish enforced idleness by putting all idle men at work on Government improvements.

Mint Cashier Resigns.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Capt. Charles H. Townsend, Cashier of the United States Mint has resigned. No cause is given. When questioned, he said he was going to North Carolina on a grazing trip.

THE TONE BETTER.

Cotton Shows a Slight Advance and Closes Steady.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. New York, Dec. 28.—The Liverpool market is closed and will open next Monday. New York opened irregular, some months 2 points down, some months 8 points up, and closed very steady after a decline of a few points, unchanged to 2 points better as compared with last night.

Sales, 85,300 bales. Options closed as follows: December, 7.80 to 7.82; January, 7.81 to 7.82; February, 7.90 to 7.91; March, 7.96 to —; April, 8.00 to 8.01; May, 8.05 to —; June, 8.10 to 8.11; July, 8.12 to 8.13; August 8.14 to 8.15; September, 7.94 to 7.95; October, 7.78 to 7.79; November, 7.75 to 7.77.

Hubbard Bros. & Co.'s Cotton Letter. Special to the Press-Visitor. New York, Dec. 28.

The improvement in the market today from the depressed selling of yesterday was due to a general disposition on the part of the local trade to close a part of their transactions before the end of the week, and in anticipation of a better market in Liverpool than had been looked for yesterday. It may be, however, that the movement will be considered by Europe as indicating a crop in excess of the low crop estimates, that have been current during the entire season. It seems likely that there will be 4,950,000 bales of this crop in sight on the first of the year, but the decline in prices has been so sharp from the high point of last October that the trade is disposed to regard present prices as about the basis for business for some time to come.

At the close of business there was some appearance of an effort here and in New Orleans to sustain the market with the view of affecting Liverpool favorably on Monday. Estimates of receipts at Houston for the week are 35,000 bales, at New Orleans 80,000 bales, and at all the ports 190,000 to 195,000 bales. The feeling in the market is rather more bullish for the next few days on the idea that the liquidation has occurred for the moment. March closed 96, last year holiday.

HUBBARD BROS. & CO.

HORROR IN BALTIMORE.

Panic at a Theatre—Twenty-Four People Killed.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28.—Twenty-four bodies lie calm in death at the morgue and twenty persons are in the accident wards of the City Hospital, as the result of a panic at the Front Street Theatre last night.

The United Oriental Opera and Dramatic Company, of New York, was presenting an opera in the Hebrew language to an audience of fully 3,000 persons.

Shortly after the performance began some one shouted "Fire!" and the immense gathering, with one accord, began a wild scramble for the exits. Men and women and boys and girls fought for vantage ground, and a scene of the wildest confusion prevailed. The street doors were closed and, being made to open inward only, the struggling mass of humanity was brought to a standstill. Those in the rear climbed over the heads of the ones in front and trampled the weaker ones beneath their feet.

For several minutes the wild fight for liberty continued. When the policemen arrived on the scene they found a mass of struggling humanity, five feet deep, in the small foyer of the play house. One of the doors was forced open and the work of pulling out the dead and injured was commenced. An alarm of fire was towed in, followed immediately afterward by an ambulance call. Patrol wagons were pressed into service and were soon hurrying to the City Hospital with one or two unfortunates.

Among the dead are two men, of 28 and 35 years, respectively; a woman, aged about 23; three girls, aged 4, 7 and 13, respectively; and three boys, whose ages range from 4 to 18 years. Among the injured are two girls, aged 13 and 14, respectively; two women, of 18 and 60 years; boys of 4, 5 and 11, and two men, aged 23 and 30. The total number of those killed was twenty-four and over twenty were injured.

"Boomer" For Recd.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 28.—The Boston Journal, the stalwart Republican organ of this section will change ownership January first. Stephen Omeara will be editor-in-chief again. Francis Stanwood retiring, it is understood that under the new management the paper will become the New England organ of the speaker Reed's candidacy for the Presidency.

Dunaway's Bootless Visit.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor.

New York, Dec. 28.—Iselin says the Defender in investigation results will be satisfactory. Dunaway appears somewhat depressed. He expects to sail to the Umbria today.

STREETS WILL BE CURBED

This Policy will be Recommended

BY STREETS' COMMITTEE

Will be a Pavement of Three Feet with Cobble Stones in Gutter Lines—Sidewalks Also.

The street committee through its chairman, Mr. J. C. Drewry, is making out its regular monthly report which will be submitted to the next meeting of the board. It will outline the policy of the present administration in regard to street improvement. Since the determination of the board to have an election on the bond issue there has been a more than usual amount of speculation as to the forthcoming report of the street committee.

The Press-Visitor is able to state that the committee in its report will recommend the curbing of every street in the city. While this is a large undertaking, and will take some time to consummate it is possible to curb the most prominent streets in the city at no very distant date.

The curbing of the streets means a good deal to the city, more than would be considered at first thought. When the grade of every sidewalk and street in the city will have been obtained; moreover the drainage will be made as near perfect as possible. At present, it is very poor in some parts of the city.

The committee will not stop with the matter of curbing, but the paving of ditches and gutter lines to a width of three feet will also be done.

With the paving, goes the brigade of dirt shovellers. For years a force of men have been employed throwing dirt from the ditches into the street. This system of work has always been more or less criticised. By retreating the dirt shovellers, a good large sum in the course of a year can be saved.

At present Salisbury street, between Martin and Hargett, is being curbed. The committee in its report will recommend as a starter that the curbing on Salisbury street be continued from Hargett to Morgan streets.

The curbing of Hillsboro from the Capitol to the bridge, Fayetteville street from Cabarrus to the Centennial school, New Bern Avenue from the Capitol to Bloodworth street, and Bloom from New Bern Avenue to North street will be recommended.

This list includes the principal streets of the city. After figuring the matter out, it is about agreed that the cost of curbing is 80 cents per running foot.

The Street Committee, through Chief of Police Hargett, has notified property owners on Hargett street, between Fayetteville and Salisbury, and Salisbury street, between Hargett and Morgan, that they must repair their sidewalks either with brick, stone or cement to a width of five feet in front of residences and the entire width in front of business establishments.

When there are drivings, stone is required. With the inauguration of curbing, bad sidewalks will have to go. Either brick, cement or stone are required for curbed sidewalks.

NO POPULAR LOAN.

The President and Cabinet Consider It Impracticable—The Bond Bill.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Confident predictions are being made by Republicans that the first section of the bond bill will be defeated. The members of the Ways and Means Committee, however, say that most Republicans who now oppose the bill, will support when the time to vote arrives. Many people believe a call for subscription to bonds will be sent out today.

It is stated that there will be no popular loan. The President and Cabinet favor it, but consider it impracticable.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Importers say they are not alarmed over the probable tariff changes. There is no rush to the custom house to take goods out of bond.

Right After Railroads.

By Telegram to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—United States Attorney McFarland received word from Washington today, instructing him to proceed against the joint traffic association of twenty-nine great railroads formed a few weeks ago, and going into effect January 1st for violation of the inter-state commerce law. A letter from Hannon leaves to the discretion of the district attorney to decide in what form the action shall be brought.

Mr. A. M. McPheters was very much pleased with his trip to Atlanta. Instead of being depressed as the type made us say, Mr. McPheters was highly delighted with his trip.

A QUAKERESS PHRENOLOGIST.

She Can Talk and Make To Laugh and Knows how to Treat Reporters.

Today there landed in the city just the very jolliest little old woman that ever lived. Her name is Ollie Ains; her religion, or her dress at least, is that of a Quakeress; her business is the telling of events and the discovery of new traits in your disposition by the means of phrenology and palmistry. This morning a reporter ran across this dapper little woman. She was talking, and talk she did for twenty minutes. If her signs ever fail, her tongue never does.

"What sort of a town have you got?" she exclaimed after telling the reporter pleasantly but firmly that she didn't like newspaper men; that if he said anything "frapp" about her she would get after him with a sharp stick. "They won't let me give a free lecture on the streets? Are they not used to people coming here? Do they know nothing at all?"

Then finally she took the reporter by the head. The readers of this paper will realize the modesty that forbids the publication of the nice things she said. But though she is a Quakeress and talked about the golden rule with Father Worth and Elder Potts, she is business woman enough to keep an eye open for business. So, with those flattering character statements still ringing through his ears, the reporter gives this free ad. Could he do otherwise?

And those who may go to the Branson House will find an elderly woman, dressed in gray, Quaker costume, with bonnet and shoulder-stretched kerchief, who will talk to you all the time, but who will nevertheless interest and give you chance to laugh; who will tell you as much as phrenology teaches her.

BOND ISSUE CERTAIN.

The Gold Reserve Continues to Go Lower.

The Washington News of yesterday afternoon says: The gold reserve at 3 o'clock this afternoon amounted to \$64,280,000. The sum of \$2,000,000 was withdrawn from the New York treasury this morning, the greater proportion of which was for shipment. It is the expectation that the reserve will drop still lower.

An issue of bonds by the government is now an absolute certainty, and it is the general belief that this action on the part of the Secretary of the Treasury is now only a question or a few days. It is expected that \$50,000,000 worth of bonds will issue, and some are inclined to believe that the government will borrow \$100,000,000. The terms of the loan will, in all probability, be identical with those of the last issue except that the purchasers will not bind themselves to maintain the gold reserve as they did in the last deal.

If Congress does not authorize the issue Mr. Cleveland will undoubtedly order it himself without any action by the House and Senate. The President will order his Secretary of the Treasury to float the bonds under the resumption act, upon which he was forced to rely for authority at the last issue. Prominent bankers who have been questioned are practically unanimous in condemning the bond bill, which is under consideration in the House today. They look upon it unfavorably for the reason that it restricts rather than increases the ability of the government to borrow money on advantageous terms. Another highly objectionable feature is the fixing of the rate of interest at three per cent. Much dependence is placed in the Senate to defeat the measure.

Treasury officials are averse to discussing the question of an issue of bonds, but do not hesitate to say that the present raids on the reserve will force an issue in the immediate future. The withdrawals today were according to general expectation at the department.

Friday is usually a bad day on account of the fact that almost without exception the heaviest gold shipments are made on Saturday. The reserve is now lower than it was on the occasion of the bond issue made last February. And it is not believed that the President will allow it to drop to a much lower figure without replenishing it by means of a borrow. Some significance is placed in the presence yesterday in the New York office of J. P. Morgan & Co. of many prominent bankers. Some of the gentlemen were those interested in the syndicate that absorbed the last issue, and while an indication has been given of the trend of their conversation, it is thought that the impending bond issue was considered.

Outing After a Nouse.

Last night news was received here of the serious cutting at Nouse of a man named Butler by one named Lester. A warrant was sworn out here and Deputy Sheriff Roland left to arrest Lester. Late this afternoon he had not returned. It was thought last night that Butler could not live. The injured man worked at Mr. J. N. Holding's mill.

FOUGHT OVER A DOG.

Richard Lassiter Cuts and Seriously Injures a Man at Nouse.

Yesterday morning a gentleman came in here to swear out a warrant for Richard Lassiter, a young man who is employed in Mr. J. N. Holding's paper mill. The charge was assault with intent to kill, and Deputy Sheriff Roland left immediately for Wake Forest to arrest his man.

It seems that on Tuesday Lassiter and a young man named Butler engaged in a quarrel concerning the ownership of a dog. Toward evening the quarrel assumed a serious shape and the two finally came to blows. In the midst of the fight those looking on saw that both men had drawn knives and were slashing away at each other viciously. Before they could be separated the bright flash of both knives was darkened with blood. Butler was the more seriously injured of the two. His face was covered with blood, which gushed from several wicked cuts on the head and cheek. After an examination had been made of the well-nigh fainting man, it was found that he was also stabbed seriously in the groin. He was put to bed and a physician summoned.

Wednesday and Thursday passed without any action looking toward an arrest being taken. But Thursday evening the condition of Butler became so serious that the warrant was sworn out as told. When Deputy Sheriff Roland reached Wake Forest yesterday Lassiter was out in the country hunting birds. So there was nothing for the deputy to do but to await his return. When evening came, Lassiter came home; just as he was in the act of boarding the train he was arrested and started across the country for Raleigh.

So last night late Deputy Roland came in with his prisoner, and this morning Richard Lassiter is pacing the floor of Wake's jail.

Deputy Roland says that from what he hears the fight was one sought by either side; that he has no idea that Butler will die; that Lassiter himself carries two knife cuts on the cheek.

HE SEES VISIONS.

W. P. Henderson, "A Prophet of the Lord,"—The Song of Peace He Sings.

W. P. Henderson, known here but slightly, is introduced to the people of Raleigh by this article. Henderson says that he sees visions and has been "coming on" for eighteen hundred years; that he has a great message to deliver him by the Lord to the people of this country and the people of England; that he is the chosen mouthpiece of the Divinity; that when he shall have preached his sermon, altho the nations of the earth will be singing the grand old Christmas song of "Peace on Earth, good will toward men." And if you could have seen this venerable old negro as he talked on and on, with genuine religious fervor and belief in himself, you might have been skeptical as now; but you could not have failed to be impressed with the bysical earnestness of the man which sometimes carries with it a certain indefinable sense of conviction.

In the Governor's office today Henderson sat before Private Secretary Telfair. His black face was a glow with enthusiasm. He leaned forward and talked of his visions, of his instruction from God. His attitude was one of perfect respect; yet when you looked at the venerable old face and into the earnest eyes, and marked the snowy whiteness of hair and whiskers, you felt somehow as though you were he who should show respect. The words, coming rapidly from an almost toothless mouth, were sometimes indistinct, especially when he described those visions. Then he would drone and speak in a voice full of religious awe; and give his hearers a somewhat similar feeling.

The old negro had called to send a message to Cleveland, the "King of the North." Here is the message, as I took it from the old fellow's lips: "I want the Governor to dispatch to the King of the North that God says upon the perils of his life he is not to declare war against the South before hearing this everlasting sermon preached in a caucus three days in a week and three hours in every day and talk till talk enough for that day. He is to dispatch that same message to England, but she is to stand right still and steady herself until she gets God's sounding, o' right!"

When questioned, Henderson said that he had lived in Raleigh since the surrender; that he had been North three times to preach; that the Lord talked to him very night; that he knew nothing of the Bible, being too great a man to need to know his A. B. C.'s. He said that he had been in the Garden of Eden; that when he had preached his sermon in the caucus, he was going straight up to Paradise.

When asked what he did for a living, he said he had not worked in ten years; that the Lord took care of and fed him.

But finally the reporter left; Henderson and Major Telfair talked on. The ravings of a religious fanatic of a negro. But there is some reason in his madness.

NEXT AT GREENSBORO

Superintendents Decide to Meet There—New Officers

NO MORE AT MOREHEAD

Will the Members of the Assembly Gather—Committee Wants Strict "Teachers' Meeting."

The last session of the North Carolina School Superintendents' Association was held in the Centennial School building yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Superintendent E. P. Mangum, of Clinton, read a paper on "Literature in the Schools," showing the necessity of giving the children good, standard literature instead of the old reading books. The paper was discussed by Superintendents Grimley, Connor, Howell, Prof. Hill and others, bringing out the opinion that a too critical study of the selections read would decrease the interest of the children, and that the true aim of such study should be to give the children the love of good literature and the power of forcible expression of thought.

Superintendent G. A. Grimley of Greensboro followed with a talk outlining the course of reading used in the Greensboro graded school.

Superintendent D. Matt Thompson, of Statesville, read a paper on "The Teaching of Civics." He said that since statistics show that over 80 per cent of the children in the public schools of this country never reach the sixth grade, it is extremely important that instruction in civics should be given in the lower grades, that the children be taught about the State and Federal governments, and the duties of citizenship. The subject was warmly discussed by President Miller, Superintendents Connor, Mangum and Grimley.

Dr. Richard H. Lewis, of this city, as Secretary of the State Board of Health, addressed the Association on the proper precautions to be taken in the schools in the case of contagious diseases, and on the treatment of children with defective eyesight and hearing.

Prof. E. A. Alderman, of the State University, explained the purpose of the National Herbart Society as an organization of the leading educators of this country to study the great German educational philosopher, Herbart, and to attempt to put in operation a true scientific basis.

Prof. J. Y. Joyner, of the State Normal and Industrial School for girls, who is president of the State Teachers' Assembly, talked to the association in regard to that body, asking the advice and hearty co-operation of the superintendents in the attempts to make the Teachers' Assembly a great educational benefit to the teachers. Several expressed their views as to the proper conduct of the Assembly, and all were of the opinion that the next meeting should not be held in Morehead City, that the session should not last longer than one week, probably shorter, and that it should be made a great educational gathering of the teachers and the friends of education, omitting the "Christmas Tree" friends, as one expressed it.

Superintendent Logan H. Howell, of the Raleigh schools, offered resolutions of thanks to the State papers for their good work in the field of popular education, and to Superintendent Toms and Miss Bemis of the Durham school for the exposition of their work in manual training.

All present were enrolled in a branch club of the National Herbart Society, and Superintendent C. W. Toms was elected secretary. Superintendent G. A. Grimley, of Greensboro, was elected president of the association for the next year, and Superintendent Howell, of Raleigh, secretary, and the school superintendents adjourned to meet in Greensboro during the next Christmas holidays.

To Pick a Place

The executive committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly met here last evening to decide as to the place of next year's meeting. The Press-Visitor published an article Thursday telling of the growing dissatisfaction with Morehead as a meeting place, and stating that Raleigh would probably be the next place selected.

The meeting last night took a decided stand. The length of the meeting was cut down to four or five days and it was decided to make the meeting one of more interest as a strictly educational gathering. The social and pleasure-seeking advantages of the association were discussed and emphatically "set down upon." The meeting next year, wherever it is held will be simply an affair for school teachers and really interested friends of education at which subjects of practical value will be discussed. The "Christmas tree" friend will be rebuffed as will also the "distinguished

educator from Kalamazoo.

He talks by home people are what the association will strive for.

As to a place of meeting, this matter after some discussion was left to a sub-committee to decide. On that committee are Prof. Joyner, Potest and Parker. They will decide on a place; it is dollars to doughnuts that the place will be Raleigh, as this paper said.

In the Superintendent's meeting yesterday afternoon that body expressed itself as emphatically opposed to Morehead City, and to the pleasure carnival into which the Assembly has of late years degenerated. Professor Joyner himself spoke along this line.

The members of the committee present were Messrs. Joyner, Potest, Parker, Newman, Pascock, Alderman and Reggsdale.

EXPOSING THEIR HAND.

The Democrats Plan for the Undoing of the Republicans. [From the Washington (D. C.) Times.]

The Democrats of the Senate held a conference this morning to consider the report of the steering committee charged with the duty of making the minority assignments to the Senate committees.

So far as completed, the work of the committee was in force, but a number of vacancies still remain to be filled, and the committee was directed to arrange these and hand the list to the Republican committee without any further party caucus.

The vote in the Senate on reorganization will not be taken until Monday. The Democrats will ask for a roll for the purpose of showing the country that the Republicans have the most votes in the Senate and the power to assume control.

Mr. Mitchell of Oregon will offer a resolution assigning the men named to the committees designated and the Republicans will vote for them and the Democrats against.

It makes no difference whether the Populists vote or remain silent, for the Republicans will still have a majority of the quorum and their resolution will prevail. It is understood that the reorganization is not to take effect until January 1.

The Queen of Drinkers.

Mattie Farmer is a large portly and dandied from the Bowery section. Xmas day Mattie did more celebrating than her neighbors and today she was before the mayor. Here it developed that Mattie is the champion "lady" drinker on record.

Madame Farmer took the stand. Her testimony was that she drank a half pint of rye liquor and the same quantity of corn. This she stated she followed up with a 10 cent drink of an extra quality of rye. Mattie attributed her drunkenness to the fact that she had mixed her drinks. She stated that quantity did not affect her.

"It was Xmas Mayor Ross and I just naturally got drunk. I drank a pint and over and would've drunk a barrel if I had it. It was Xmas day and I was drunk right. I never heard of it being any harm to get drunk on Xmas." A warning, and Mayor Ross let the Queen of drinkers go.

Liberty Bell Going the Other Way.

It now appears that the Liberty Bell is to return from Atlanta by way of Savannah, Charleston and the sea board, and not over the Southern road. This cuts King's Mountain, Charlotte and Greensboro out of the pleasure of honoring the bell. It had been understood that Senator Butler had assurances from the Philadelphia people that the bell should certainly stop at these historic points on its way back home.

Y. M. C. A.

The reception on new years day to be tendered to the young men of the city is being well planned by the ladies. The hours will be from 4 to 6 and 8 to 10 o'clock, p. m. Refreshments will be served.

Secretary Overton will commence the regular gymnasium classes on January 2d, and for the present two stub classes will be held each week. The Bible training class will meet Sunday evenings.

The Exposition Closes Tuesday night. Christmas was Collier day at the Atlanta Exposition, named in honor of the President, Chas. A. Collier. One hundred thousand people passed through the turnstiles that day.

The exposition will close finally next Tuesday night. Continued reductions of railroad rates by the different lines keep swelling the size of the crowds. The exposition is believed to have been a success financially.

A committee has been appointed of prominent Atlanta citizens to accompany the liberty bell on its return trip to Philadelphia.

A Spontic Animal.

Capt. E. P. Williamson received a fine thoroughbred filly yesterday from Danbury, Conn. The animal is Quartermaster, who was the premium three times consecutively over all trotting stallions at the New York Horse Show. His dam is Almond, Jr., 40 in the list.

Capt. Williamson is always making additions and improvements to his already highly established stock farm.

NEWS GATHERED

Condensed and Put in a Digestible Form.

FACTS AND GOSSIP.

Interestingly Told as Picked Up by the Streets and Various Points About Town.

The school superintendents met pretty well thinned out. Nearly all left for their homes today.

All the delegates to the State Convention last night had their photographs taken in costumes today at Johna's art studio.

Rev. J. U. Newman, of Elon College will preach at the Christian Church tomorrow at 11 a. m. The public is cordially invited to hear him.

You will find the choicest groceries at W. H. Candler's store on Hillsboro Street. Drop in and give him a call when you want anything in his line.

The Christmas music at Christ Church last Wednesday was most enjoyable. The delightful program then rendered will be repeated by a specially picked choir tomorrow morning.

Clerk Brown, up at the Railroad Commissioner's office, still reads proof. The Commissioner's book should have appeared on January 1st, but owing to printers' delay, will be rather late in making its appearance.

Mr. Frank Stronach will have grand opening sales at his emporium Wednesday and Friday, January 2nd and 3rd, and if you would give your kingdom for a horse you can get one for much less than. Watch out for Mr. Stronach's big announcement Monday.

Messrs. Woolcott & Son have not had time to write a new ad, as they have had an immense business all through the holidays. On January 1st they will inaugurate a new feature in their business, and every day they will offer some article at an immense bargain.

The Baptist Sunday School room were crowded to the doors last