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## NEWS NOTES ABOUT THE CITY.

### What Our Reporters See and Hear Worth Giving to Our Readers—News in Brief.

Snow in the air.  
Build the depot.  
Fix the pavements.  
Give us a new hotel.  
Paint the market house.  
Let us have another cotton factory.  
Hurry up with the electric railway.  
Put new opera chairs in Metropolitan Hall.

The Governors Guard now numbers about sixty members and still increasing.

The chief of police is after delinquent dog tax payers. Let all such be on the lookout.

Full dress drill of Sir Walter Raleigh Division, K. of P., this evening at 7:30.

A large number of steel rails have been received for the purpose of tracks from the main lines to the new depot. This begins to look like business.

Attention is called to the advertisement of McKimmon, Moseley & McGee, who have a splendid holiday announcement of all kinds of novelties in their line.

At the regular communication of Hiram Lodge, A. F. and A. M., held last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. M. Pugh, of Morrisville, W. M.; S. W. Walker, S. W.; J. W. Evans, J. W.; T. W. Blake Treasurer; E. B. Thomas, Secretary.

Never find fault because a newspaper fails to give every scrap of news so long as you take pains to give the editor information. The average editor isn't a medium or mind reader, but he gets his news as the milkman gets his milk—by pumping. This is true especially of that class of items known as personals. Rightly they are not "puffery," but simply a personal mention for the information of local readers and those having friends and relatives visiting them should always let the local editor know it and he will be glad to give the proper notice. So if you have any news worth printing, put it in the way of our pencil shaver.

### Masonic.

Regular meeting of Raleigh Chapter, No 10, tonight at 7:30. Election of officers for the ensuing year. Every member requested to attend.

### Musical.

On Thursday night next a musicale will be given at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind for the benefit of the Soldiers Home. Some of the best musical talent in the city will participate and all who attend may expect an enjoyable time.

### A Busy City.

We leave the booming business, on paper, to some of the towns in our State that have only two policemen on duty at night, but if you want to know how rapidly Raleigh is growing try to hire a few carpenters, painters, plasterers or bricklayers. We heard a contractor say a few days ago that he could give employment to fifteen more carpenters if he could get them. Property is advancing steadily and a vacant dwelling is a rarity.

### Personal Mention.

F. L. Booker, of Smithfield is in the city.

V. S. Lusk, of Asheville is in attendance on the Supreme Court.

Mr. R. H. Battle, is attending the Immigration Convention, at Asheville.

Mr. T. C. Williams left yesterday afternoon on the 4:50 train for Asheville to attend the Inter-states Immigration Convention as a delegate from Raleigh, and to represent the Visitor.

## The Holidays.

There is little else talked of on our streets but the coming holidays, and everybody is preparing for them in proportion to the means at hand. Never have our stores presented such stocks of novelties in toys and other things suited for the occasion, and never, in our knowledge has there been a time when a little money would go so far. It is indeed a happy land and a contented people, when almost every family can count on some little extra for the home circle at the joyous season. Let us all be thankful that this is so.

### "John Cooners" on Christmas.

In the olden time, a great amusement on Christmas mornings was the appearance of "John Cooners," which consisted usually of three colored men dressed up in fancy style and wearing coon skin caps. One to pick the banjo and the other two to dance and make fun for the little folks. They would go from street to street from 8 to 10 o'clock, and by taking up a collection at each place gather up many dimes and much of good things to eat.

We suggest that a repetition of this old fashioned custom would help to make Christmas merry and at the same time prove profitable to the "John Cooners."

### D Q I's for Christmas.

A few days ago we suggested an old fashioned parade of D Q I's, and we find our people are anxious to have it take place. For several years there have been disgraceful parades of a few persons dressed up in rags, with a host of little boys following, tooting tin horns. But in this there was nothing amusing or funny—on the contrary it was a nuisance.

A parade of D Q I's mounted, if they are dressed with some degree of system, would be pleasing and attractive. It might wind up with a tournament at the base ball park. Let the procession start at foot of Fayetteville street.

The Visitor nominates Capt. E. B. Englehard, Mr. R. F. Lumsden, Mr. H. W. Ayer, Mr. H. H. Roberts, Mr. Will Wynne and Mr. Ernest Haynes to arrange the whole matter. It should occur at 2:30 p m Christmas day, and if our suggestion is carried out and added to, as this committee can do, we predict a lively day.

### The Grimes' Property.

It has been rumored that an option has been secured on the Grimes' property, just southwest of the city, and that extensive improvements are to be made, included among which is a first class hotel, mainly for the accommodation of such visitors as come among us for pleasure or health.

This property which is better known to our people as "Spring Hill," is most beautifully located for the purpose. The premises, or much of it, command a most admirable view of the city, being on a high eminence. The water in the locality is splendid, and all the surroundings such as to peculiarly recommend it for the purpose indicated.

We hope the arrangements talked of may be fully consummated, and that in addition the Street Car Company may find it practicable to run its lines thither. Other cities have pursued the plan of suburban improvement, with the best results, notably the cities of Richmond, Va., and Asheville, N. C., and there can be no good reason why we should not successfully follow.

Mr. Gladstone is the owner of the largest lead pencil in the world. It is the gift of a pencilmaker of Keswick, and is thirty nine inches in length. In place of the customary rubber cap it has a gold cap. Its distinguished owner uses it for a walking stick.

The return of Dr. Jacobs and the commencement of the new line of railway are events anxiously looked for.

## Health Resorts.

The Florida Sentinel, in an article on Florida climate, says that 200,000 tourists and invalids seek relief from frigid temperature annually from November to May in that State. This almost converts the State into a vast pleasure resort and sanitarium.

Florida is not the only Southern State to which thousands of people resort during the winter months. More than a dozen States realize a very decided increase of visitors and temporary residents during the winter of each year and the number is increasing. Of those who come South to spend the winter in this way thousands every year find permanent homes among us and are investing their capital and energy to the great advantage of the South. This permanent settling of tourists and investment hunters is largely dependent upon the attractions offered by each locality. Some localities are increasing in this sort of population much more rapidly than others because of the advantages and attractions offered. Raleigh should think of this and take the proper steps not only to attract them this way but to offer inducements for them to locate and invest. These people make useful citizens anywhere.

### Norris' Dry Goods Store.

Infant's Shoes.  
Little Tots, per pair, 50  
Stiff Ankles, " 1 00  
Spring Heels, " 1 50  
Children's School Shoes.  
Little Monitors, per pair, \$1 50  
Allen & Marvin's, " 2 00  
Rough and Ready, " 1 25  
Boys Good Wear.  
Little Giants, per pair, \$1 25  
Merrimacs, " 1 50  
Peerless, " 1 75  
Ladies Fine Shoes.  
"New Leader," per pair, \$1 50  
"New England," " 1 75  
"Miles' Best," " 2 00  
Men's Fine Footwear.  
"Beats All," per pair, \$1 35  
Economy " 1 50  
Alert, " 2 00  
All of the above are good values.

### NORRIS' DRY GOODS STORE.

### A Cigarette Smoker's Death.

Philadelphia Times.  
C. P. Reed, aged 40 years, who boarded at the Deaware House, was found dead in his bed yesterday morning. Reed had been living at the hotel for about three weeks, and on Saturday night retired to his room in apparent good health. He did not appear yesterday morning and the clerk went up to his room and found him lying on the bed dead. Reed was an excessive cigarette smoker and it is thought this habit was the cause of his death.

### The Way With Men.

If a man is successful and everything goes as he wants it, he lifts up his voice and says: "Lo! and behold! I am a great and brainy man. I have made myself what I am, and the man that fails in life must be a fool." But when things go wrong he says, with a hang-dog look: "Providence always was down on me for some reason."

### SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

#### From Yesterday's Dispatches.

A new Portuguese loan of £3,000,000 sterling has been arranged in Paris.

The widow of George Cruikshank, the artist and caricaturist, is dead at London.

An ice famine is reported in the Isthmus of Panama and \$70 per ton is the current price for the luxury.

THE blacksmiths and carpenters of Chattanooga are to have a debate on the question, "Which trade is the most beneficial to the civilized world, the carpenter's or the blacksmith's?" The blacksmiths will win. They can use some sledgehammer arguments.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

Raisins, Citrons, Currants, Figs, Dates, Prunes, Nuts, Coconuts, Oranges, Lemons and Bananas cheap at C. O. Ball's.

Steam Laundry shuts down from 29th instant to January 5, 1891, for removal. Customers will please send in all work needed by December 29. de16 3t L R WYATT, Prop.

### "Toys and Christmas Goods."

Call and see the "largest, best and noblest" line of Toys and Christmas goods ever shown here. You can get them cheaper than ever known before. Be sure to come at once.

W. G. SEPARK, RGT.

Morehead oysters 25c quart. Order of D. T. Johnson.

### Dog Lost.

A small white Pointer Dog, with brown ears, strayed from my yard. A reward will be paid for his return. de16 C B EDWARDS.

Buy your Xmas goodies at D. T. Johnson's.

### New Boarding House.

A few gentlemen can be accommodated with day board or room.  
MRS T P BISHOP,  
No 11 West South street,  
de9 6t Near St John's Hospital.

Big lot of plain and fancy candy at D. T. Johnson's.

### Captured at Last.

Answer this question honestly as your good judgment dictates, Why is Swindell capturing all good and desirable trade of the town and country? I hear some of you say he is not; then you stop and think and conclude you don't know; then I hear some who are in a position to know say unhesitatingly, because there is merit. They don't deal in trash, such as dolls and baskets and tables, but they sell dry goods, carpets, shoes, clothing, and sell them low, much lower than any one else in Raleigh; and this is why Swindell is capturing the desirable cash trade of Raleigh. Some of you who buy only on credit, don't you say it ain't true; he is not capturing the trade because I don't trade there. We have received quite a big lot of new carpets this week and are offering them low. Telephone call No. 113. We are having a rush in our dress goods and millinery departments all day every day, and in cloaks and gents fine overcoats I know we are selling more than any one in town. Phone 113. SWINDELL.

### W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co.

WHAT SHALL I BUY?—This question presents itself to almost every one at this season of the year. It is often a little perplexing to know just what is best suited for those to whom a gift is intended. But with our enormous store, packed from cellar to garret, with every conceivable kind of beautiful, as well as useful things, it renders the choice of a gift for any one little or no trouble. We have never made such preparations for holiday trade before, nor has our holiday business ever been so good as this year. It is now, as has always been, the people appreciate the best goods and the lowest prices.

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & Co.

30 boxes London Layer California Raisins (special prices to the trade) at D. T. Johnson's.

### Two Men Frozen to Death.

WHEELING, W. Va., December 14.—The bodies of two men were found lying on a country road, a few miles from Clay Court House, yesterday. They were George Serker and James Land, farmers, who had started from their homes Wednesday morning last to go to the county seat, and are supposed to have frozen to death, as no marks of violence were found on them.

5c Coconuts at D. T. Johnson's.

## Hardware, &c.

### BEFORE

Cold weather commences coat your walls and ceilings with

### ALABASTINE!

Destroys all disease germs and brightens up your homes.

Thousands of pounds have been sold in this market.

It is no experiment but has been proven to be all we claim for it.

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THOMAS E. BRIGGS & SONS,

RALEIGH, N. C.

### Dry Goods, Notions, &c.

McKimmon, Moseley & McGee.

## Christmas

—AT—

### OUR STORE.

We have excelled all previous records this season in the beauty, elegance and splendor of our

### HOLIDAY DISPLAY,

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES, CHRISTMAS NECESSITIES, CHRISTMAS BARGAINS,

Articles of every day need, adapted to every requirement of both old and young, rich and poor.

Christmas presents for Everybody



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—OF—

Delighted Patrons!!!

More Lovely

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