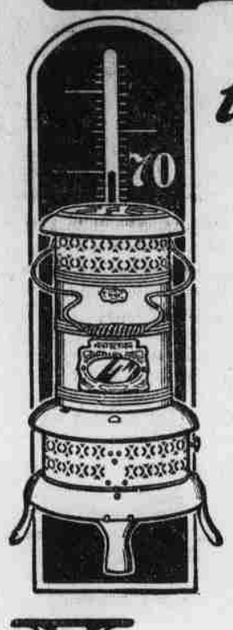

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EARLY J. HUGHES.

Between acts two and three of "When Smith Came Home," which comes to the Academy of Music on Saturday, December 28th, matinee and night, Mr. J. Early Hughes, the principal comedian and star, will take the audience on a short trip through coon town. The act is one long laugh, and affords Mr. Hughes the opportunity of introducing two songs that are the best of their kind ever written. They are, "That Welcome On The Mat Ain't Meant For Me," and "The Peach That Tastes the Sweetest Hangs the Highest on the Tree." Mr. Hughes sings them in his own inimitable way, and keeps the audience applauding from start to finish of his act.

Mr. Fay, of Fay, Coley & Fay, the trio, who furnish part of the fun in "When Smith Comes Home," was formerly principal comedian with Primrose' Minstrels. Like his partner, Mr. Coley, he has a more than usually good voice, and he can furnish enough fun to satisfy any audience, even without the assistance of his co-workers.

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PRESTON CLARKE.

Those who failed to visit Staub's theatre Thursday night and see Creston Clarke in "The Power That Governs" missed something they may well regret. It was one of the strongest plays that has traveled this way during this or any past season, and was thoroughly enjoyed from the beginning to the final curtain. Mr. Clarke received call after call after each curtain.

It is a very strong play and splendid opportunities in the role of "Alexander Michael" are afforded Mr. Clarke for the display of his excellent talents. Almost constantly before the audience, he never tired but seemed to possess a heart interest in his work and the climaxes were apparently perfect.

Mr. Clarke's support was of a high order and the company was seemingly perfectly balanced. The blustering style of "Jim Henderson" suited Mr. Frederick Bock. The part of the dependent, helpless, ninny of a dude, the pampered and petted son of a rich man as displayed by Harold DeBecker made him almost repulsive and that's about the height of success. The leading feminine part was carried by Itene Oshler in an entirely satisfactory manner.

"The Power That Governs" is from the pen of Mr. Clarke's wife, the playwright, who writes under a former name, Adelaide Prince. She spent a couple of years in Mexico, where the scene of the play is laid, in order to acquaint herself with the scenes, customs and manners of the country. That she has succeeded admirably it is only necessary to see Mr. Clarke in the play to realize.—Daily Journal, Knoxville, Tenn.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me mor good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed for blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by all druggists. 50c.

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But is no one forgotten? Scan the gift list again. Too bad if in the midst of it all a single expectant one should be disappointed.. 'Twould be somewhat of a dark spot on the most joyous day of all the year.

So it's worth a second thought. But last Christmas thoughts must be quick one. There must be no wasted moments—no running hither and thither, for time is short, even though the store keeps open later. So choose one safe store—make one shopping brief and sure one. The one store to help you in a hurry if you seek the practical, sensible gift for father, brother, friend or acquaintance is BERWANGER'S.

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THE WEATHER.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Dec. 24.—Forecast for North Carolina for tonight and Wednesday:

Fair tonight and Wednesday; light westerly winds.

The eastern storm has passed to the northeast and now lies central over Maine and Novia Scotia; at Portland, Me., the unusually low barometer of 29.06 inches was reported. In its passage to the east it has caused rain in most of the states east of the Mississippi river and north of the 35th parallel. North of Montana another storm is approaching this country, attended by high temperatures and rain or snow. High pressure areas are central over Texas and the Pacific coast, where the weather is fair. The temperature has fallen in most of the states in the upper Mississippi valley and in the states east of the river, and has risen in other districts.

The pressure will continue to rise in this section and fair weather may be expected for this vicinity for tonight and Wednesday.

A. H. THIESSEN,
Section Director.

COLD KILLS THE GERM.

Lieut. Perry Says There Are No Bald Heads in the Arctic Region.

The people who come back from Klondike testify to the fact that no native bald heads are there. The evidence is that the cold climate kills the germs that eat the hair off at the root. Lieut. Perry, who went to the Arctic Regions, gives the same evidence. Newbro's Herpicide has the same effect as the cold climate. It kills the germ that eats the hair off at the roots, and the hair grows again. Herpicide is the first hair remedy built upon the principle of destroying the germ that eats the hair off. Its phenomenal sale demonstrates the correctness of the scalp germ theory. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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PERKINS LOSES HIS LIFE IN AN ELEVATOR SHAFT.

(Special to The Evening Times.)

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 24.—A very sad accident happened here yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Gaston. While Leslie Perkins, the engineer of the hotel, was oiling the machinery of the elevator and running it up and down his leg was caught between the elevator and building and terribly crushed. It was found impossible to extricate him and in order to get him out the leg had to be amputated. He died while being taken to the hospital.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup causes a free yet gentle action of the bowels through which the cold is forced out of the system. Children like it. Contains no opiates nor narcotics. Sold by King-Crowell Drug Co.

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NOTICE!—Owing to several changes that will be made in the Tucker Building on January 1st, I will have for rent several very desirable offices. Apply, Mrs. Florence P. Tucker, Tucker Building.

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