## Salisbury Pencilings.

If any of our subscribers fails to receive his aper, he will confer favor by reporting the ame.

Cotton brought 7 59 to 7 75 today. Edward Shaver spent yesterday in Concord.

George Fink, went to Cleveland this morning.

W. D. Parker returned from Norwood last night. A. A. Pippin, of Wakefield, is

the chy today. Mrs. A. M. March, of Raleigh is visiting in the city.

J. D. Elliott, of Hickory, was in he city yesterday. W. G. Kirkman returned from

Charlotte last night. J. K. Link returned

ne Yadkin last night. Charles W. Fisher, of Greensboro, as in the city last night. S. W. Seitze, of Morehead City ent last night in this city.

C. W. Boshamer, of Statesville, ent yesterday in the city.

Forty five people registered at the ount Vernon yesterday. Miss Ethel Taylor, of Wake Fort, spent last night in the city.

Dr. Dillion Brown has returned to ew York to spend the winter. Prayer meeting tonight at Church

reet M. E. church at the usual C. B. Jordan went to Asheville

is morning to attend the Baptist m vention. The editor thanks Mr. C. W.

ewart of the Point, Davie county, r a present of fine turnips. E. M. Parefoy, of Charlotte, spent

esterday in the city on business, ad returned bome last night. Mr. and Mrs. Re of Balti one, are visiting C. W. Hairston,

Coole-mee, in Davie county. Miss Mande Brown has gone to disbury to spend several days with iss Mary Bernhardt .- Concord

John R. Morris, of Baltimore, who | Election and Installation of Officers. well known to many of our citi-

ens, registered at the Mount Veron last night. J. T. Wyatt brought in three bads

window sills for a firm in Greens pro yesterday. He shipped a cal ad Monday. Dr. J. Rumple returned from Con-

ord last night. He went down in e morning to attend to some hurch business. Rev. D. P. Tate went to Orange

arg, S. C., this morning to attend he South Carolina conference, which' et yesterday. Mr. Tate will reern Saturday morning.

Hon. T. P. Baily, of Mocksville, assed through this morning, tak g his daughter from the Normal nd Industrial College, where she s been sick with lever. We are ad she is improving.

The funeral of Mrs. Win, A. Eagle g the services. The interment is 5, 697, 778. ok place at the Lutheran ceme-

Rev. B. Lacey Hoge, pastor of ne Baptist church at Concord and r. Smith, one of his members me up this morning and went on he 10:05 train to Asheville to attend ne Baptist State convention, now session there.

## rectors Meet-

The directors of the Piedmont cost. oll Bridge company met in Hon. ee S. Overman's law office yesteray afternoon. Rates of ferrage ere fixed, also a keeper was apointed by the president, D. ulian, John Yarboro was appointd. The gate will be on this side f the river in Rowan.

They have an electric bell on his so when people coming from Davidson or any where else when hey reach a certain plank in the ridge it will call the attention of he keeper so he can be ready hen they reach this side.

### MR. W. G. NEWMAN.

ecompanied by New York Capitalists. cext Saturday, Expected en Route io the Gold Hill Copper Fields.

Mr. Newman is as active as he generous. He is almost constantly upon the road between New York and this city and the copper mines at Gold Hill. He went to New York Monday night and is expected to return Satur- for the year of Our Lord 1798, the day to the city and the mines. Several New York capitalists will come with Mr. Newman, we understand. No doubt these capitalists are looking for investments in mining property, which is all well. But, if the proper attention, were shown these capitalists it is quite probable that investments might be made in other directions. Business men look to your interests! the usual astronomical and me-Organize a chamber of commerce, teorological data found in all well so you will have organized efforts regulated almanacs, likewise to interest capital to invest here.

#### Resolutions of Winona Council No. 18. At the regular meeting of Wino-

na Council, No. 18, Jr. O. U. A. colutions were ago Whereas, Death has again visit-

ed our council and taken from our number brother C. H. Nelson, who departed this life November courts for this state and that of 25, 1899, therefore be it,

deplore what seems to us his un- is also a table showing the distimely taking away, and while we tance by postroad between the miss his presence and words of cheer, yet we bow in humble submission to the Will of Him who does all things in wisdom. Second, that we tender to the

family of our deceased brother, our sympathies and commend them to our Heavenly Father who can bind up the broken hearted and comfort those that mourn.

Third, that the charter of this council be drayed in mourning for a period of thirty days.

Fouth. that a copy the resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy sent to the family and copies sent to the Salisbury Daily Sun and INDEX for publication.

D. R. JULIAN, J. N. MAXWELL, W. J. BOSTIAN, Committee.

The following officers of Adoniram Council, No. 2, R, and S. M., were elected at the regular assembly last night, and duly installed for the ensuing year by I. Lichtenstein, P. T. I. M: W. B. Smoot, T. I. M.

E. B. Neave, Dep. I M.

T. C. Linn, Prin, Con, of work. P. A. Frercks, treasurer.

R. G. Kizer, recorder. J. R. Monroe, Capt. of guard.

J. P. Sowers, Con, of council.

P. H. Bernhardt, steward. T. M. Tarrh, sentinel.

### Correct Answer.

Master Walter Rosman, of the Graded School, has brought J. W. Glover the correct answer to the number of times the old clock, ok place this afternoon from the mentioned in these colums, has . E. Church, Church Street, at 3 struck in 100 years and will get clock p. m., Rev. Atkins conduct. Mr. Glover's prize. The number

## New Telephone.

The INDEX has had a new telephone put in its office. The number is 165.

For DRY WOOD go .to Sloan's wood yard.

The biggest bargains are to be found at R. J. Holmes' closing out sale. Everything sold strictly at a vote of 302 to 30.

W. J. Moose, the well known photographer, has arrived in Salisbury with his car and outfit, and is located on the side track near the old freight depot. He does the best work at cheapest rates. Call on

Go to Wrights Furniture Store for nice Xmas presents.

Norfolk selected opsters at Jack son's market daily.

Go to Jackson's market for nice

FOUND-A bunch of keys. Owner can get same by applying at the INDEX office, and paying for notice. FOR SALE: - A Flute with instruction book. Apply to "S," INDEX

#### The German Almanac

The following are specimens of the contents of the old almanac belonging to John W. Glover, and which was printed in Salisbury 101 years ago translated for THE INDEX by Capt. W. Murdoch Wiley. The following is the translation of the cover:

The High German North Carolina Town and Country Calendar same being a common year of 365 days.

Salisbury: Printed and for sale by F. Coupee and J. M. Schlump, at their German and English Printing Establisment

Page 1 gives a birth register of the then reigning emporors. kings, queens, princes, etc. Then follow list of the eclipses and other celestial phenomena billed to appear during the year. The rest of the book is made up principally of selected short stories. down M. Dec. 5th, 1899, the following poems of dubious merit and jokes and anecdotes, stale and senile even in that far away time. fothing of local interest but the calendar of county and superio the courts of equity and general Resolved First, that while we sessions in South Carolina. There various important towns of the state. The book concludes with a preface in which the merits of the production are loudly chanted and subscriptions thereto strenuously sought.

The age of the book alone renders it interesting-its contents are as vapid as those of Hostetter's latest edition."

#### Our Advertisers.

Our esteemed city contemporary, whose brilliant editorals have produced such splendid results in bringing reforms in our city to pass (see Monday's Sun) stated, in its editorial column yesterday, that its advertisers write excellent reading matter and that the Sun carries no dead ads,

We agree with our neighbor; its advertisers write well, as many of them show us by placing adertise-

ments with us. We are highly gratified at th liberal patronage given us by many of the business men of the city, by advertising with us in our infancy and sincerely thank them for the same. We suspect that our readers find them as interesting in the INDEX as in our neighbor. Probably they will appear as well, in every respect, when our cylinder press and new outfit arrives.

Meantime we call special attention to all in the INDEX, and assure our readers that they will find our advertisers live, enterprising, and reliable. We hearti ly commend them all.

### Rev. W. H. Whisner Arrives.

Rev. Mr. Whisner, pastor Main Street M. E. church, arrived in the city last night. THE INDEX extends a cordial welcome.

Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, objec ted to Roberts, the polygamist, being sworn in. Mr. Richardson offered a substitnte which was overwhelmingly defeated after discussion by Mr. Taylor, Mr. Richardson and Roberts, and the Taylor resolution adopted by

new committee to consist of 17 members and to be known as "the Committee on Insular Affairs."

Go to Geo. Wrights for nice Xmas presents-he has the nicest lot of Rocking Chairs and other presents

that has ever been in Salisbury. FOR RENT-Eight Room Slate Roof house, with electric wires, sewerage throughout, hot and cold water Horah street, between Church

and Main. Apply to P. H. THOMPSON. All pork sausage at Jackson's. Try

## Chestnut Hill News.

SALISBURY, N. C., DECEMBER 6TH, 1899.

Miss Emma Lee Cooper is out again after several days illness.

Supt. F. M. Ward has moved in the Dr. Murray house on West Main street.

Miss Hattie Cook who has been in Baltimore for some time came home last night. Misses Ella Henson and Annie

Morgan, of Concord, are visiting Miss Dora Littleton.

There will be prayer meeting tonight conducted by the pastor at 7:30 at the M. E. Church.

### Gioria in Excelsis.

Glory to God in the highest! should be the retrain upon the lips of North Carolina Baptists. As the Recorder goes to press and the books close, we are enabled to send this word out to the Baptist host as it advances upon Asheville: We are within \$416.83 of having money to meet every obligation of the Board. Our note due at bank December 1st is paid, the long standing overdraft of \$1. 069.07 is wiped out, and the missionaries are within \$489.00 of being paid off in full. We have not heard from all the collections of the churches of yesterday, and we expect by the next mail remit-

We have received daring the year for State Mis ons \$20,074,98; for Home Missions, \$5,607.50; Foreign Missions, \$10,672.79. This is \$8,145,89 more than we received for these objects last year, which was the best year in our history in contributions to these

JNO. E. WHITE, Corresponding Secretary. Monday Night,

Postmaster General Smith, in his report just submitted, shows an expense over r ceip's of the postal department of \$6,610,776.-75, and attributes the shortage to "the perversion and abuse of the privilege accorded by law to second-class matter." Second-class matter is made up of the newspapers and kindred publications of the county. The only special privilege we know of enjoyed by them is the free circulation in the country in which published. all events the expense to the government can only result by the distribution of reading matter and this tends to greater and better education of the masses. It seems strange that just as we are talking of extending the free delivery system into rural districts it should be urged that a burden be placed upon publishers and therefore upon the reading masses. The postal department never has been, and was never expected to be a money making department. That it comes so near it now is largely owing to the improved and improving intelligence of the people, brought about to a large degree by the rapidly enlarging distribution ci newspapers. To institute the "reform" suuggested by the Postmaster General would help the large dailies, but would seriously cripple country weeklies, one of the most useful agencies of public education of the masses that we have. Let the system remain as it is, if not extended .-Raleigh Post.

The rumor that old man Joubert. the Boer commander-inchief in South Africa, was killed in a recent battle with the British, It is proposed to raise a continues to bob up occasionally. We do not believe that Joubert is dead but we have no doubt that the British heartily wish him dead. He's interfering with their businrss .- Statesville Landmark.

> There are two financial bills before Congress, one in the House, another in the

It is thought that the Speaker will announce the various committees just before the Christmas recess.

Bill Arp's Letter. On the Wing .- The other night I dropped down from Chattanooga to Meridian. It is over 300 miles, but it seemed like a dropping down, for the fast train on the Alabama Great Southern carried me the a in less than eight hours while I ster Beautiful cars and a smorcan frack made the trip a pleasurarths to a veteran. I had some flat to the cotton belt of Alabama at Mississippi, and as the larder was low and the family purse looked like could read missed it a mile and were his lot. an elephant had trod on it, and taxes rejected. The law, he said, was were to pay and coal to buy, and my

female folks were in need of winter harder on a poor, trifling white man than it was on a thrifty, industrious garments, my wife said I had better go, That settled it, and here I am in Meridian. Many years have passed since I visited the growing city and I hardly recognized it. It has since grown from 800 to 18,000 people, and now puts on metropoli tan airs, for it is the largest town in Mississippi. It used to be a dirty place, and was a dug out for saloons and disreputable quarters. Six years ago there was a great awakening and the saloons were abolished and many of those who supported them left for parts unknown. Grass didn't grow in the streets as was predicted, but the town took on new life. Mr. Dial was elected mayor on temperance principles and a system of public works was at once inaugurated. Since then fifty miles of sewerage has been laid and thirty miles of sidewalk paved and twelve blocks of street graded and paved with vita grand and solemn sight. rified brick and as many more with chert. Two cotton mills and an oil mill and a splendid system of water THE STATE'S SURVEY. works have been established. Six large buildings for the public schools

have been erected. Two female colleges have been planted there. The new city has gas works and street cars, and new residences with handsome archiecture are in sight on all the high lands that control the city. a hill within miles of Meridian, bu there are not only hills, but a mile or two south there are mountain ridges like those in upper Georgia, and from these come the gushing

> springs that supply the city with the purest water. There is no better kept hotel than the Southern-good fare, good beds, good service of eyery kind-and what was best of all to me the people gave me a good audience, all select, especially the eighty college girls who came arrayed in college uniform. I saw more cotton

than I ever saw before at one time and place. Meridian compresses and markets 150,000 bales; and half of it is there now in the warehouses and outside. Much of it has been sold, and cannot be moved for lack of ears. Cotton is still the king. While at breakfast one morning two northern men took seats at the san e table and one remarked: "This town is on a boom. They are build ing all over it." "Yes," said the other, "the whole south is on the upgrade, and if it keeps on Bryan won't carry a single southern State.' Well, they were for McKinley, of course, but they will know by waiting. A northern man who has never been South finds much to interest and astonish him. Not long ago Mayor Dial took one over the city and asked him what he would like to see specially. He replied that he would like very much to see where the negroes lived and how they liveed. So the Mayor drove up to negro town, where he saw numerous women and children and heard them laughing and talking merrily "What are they laughing at?" he in-

quired "I didn't know they ever laughed." "Why," said Mr. Dial, "they laugh all the day long; they laugh at anything." "Is it possible?" exclaimed the yenkee, "Suppose we stop and ask them what they are laughing about? My curiosity is greatly excited." So the Mayor stopped, and calling one of the women whom he knew to the gate, said: "Hannah, this gentle man is from the north-up in God's country- and says he didn't know what you were all laughing about as we drove up." This, of course, provoked another spell and all they got out of them was that "Jinny axed

a note in his memorandum book. Mr. Dial says the new law about voting works well in Mississippi, and has ceased to excite any comment or dissent. The negro population of Meridian is about equal to the white, but there are only about are teachers, preachers and barbers. About eighty registered the first year after the law was passed, but the number has decreased from year to year, aud the negro has long since ceased to take any interest in poli- ville Landmark.

tics. Quite a number of whita men have retired from registration because they can't swear that they have paid their taxes for the past two years. Mr. Dial says that the registrar's office was in his office, and that officer was uniformly considerate toward the negroes who applied. Some of them who couldn't read made right good answers when called on to explain a clause in the consiitation, and if he was a good negro he was questioned very light-

about it or proposes to change it. Well, I have been impatiently waiting on the stars, but do not believe that this is the year for the meteors-my books do not say so. Humboldt is pretty high authority, and so is Appleton's cyclopedia, and both say the periodic interval is thirty-four years instead of thirtythree. They fell in 1799 and in 1833 and a partial display in 1867, and so they will not come again until 1901 -year after next. And the anniversary was 12th and 13 n, November, which has already passed. But we will know by waiting another day whether Mr. Ashmore is right or Humboldt. I remember well the fall in 1833 and would like ta see auother before I die, and I wish my wife and children to see one. It is

### BILL ARP.

Bowie, of Lemon Springs, one of the oldest citizens of this section of country died at the home of his nephew, J. Bowie, on last Saturday morning, November 28th, 1899. He his position and gone to his home

was about ninety years of age. Raleigh News and Observer: Mr. Confeder, a well known exnear Scotland New died at his home ing at lo'clock, aged nearly wanter. He carried a scar from a wound r. ceived in battle and limped his way through life as a result of the wound.

Asheboro Courier: Jim McCray, a negro, had a row with Dr. Blair and Lawyer Blair. They kicked him out doors. He went down street drunk, when Policeman Henry Jenkins attempted to arrest him. The negro resisted arrest, and his David Beaver, who was shaken up two brothers, Jim and Rufe, came in the accident at Greensboro, up and aided him in resisting. The | Sunday morning. Policeman shot Jim, cutting off two fingers, the ball lodging in his necke A four inch gash was cut in the neck of Rufe McCray. None of the white people were hurt. Jim is up and

in his neck will kill him some time. Fayetteville Observer: Thirtyfive Sampson families have moved to Fayetteville in the last month to work in the several cotton factories. We have this from the head of one of these familiss. Two bales of silk goods, the first manufactured by the Ashley Baily mill in this city, were shipped north yesterday. Who would have thought twenty years ago that Fayetteville would be shipping manufactured silk abroad before the twentieth century, and still less, that it is not improbable that before the new century is many years gone, Fayetteville may be a silk as well as cotton manufacturing center?

News from the South African war is still meager and unsatisfactory. The news all comes through English sources and the fact that they tell the world so little about what is going on forces one to the conclusion that the Boers are at least holding their own against the British. If the latter were winning great victories we would soon have all the details. In an article dethat the negroes down here ever scribing the fighting qualities of laughed, and he wants to know the Boers, printed in The Landmark today it is stated that they have no bands of martial music but before going into battle they sing "Old Hundred." An ene-Mandy which was de most alike, my like that will not be easily 'possum or a coon?" The stranger conquered, When men are imwas profoundly impressed, and made bued with religious enthusiasm, when they believe that their cause is right, and that the Almighty is on their side; they fight to the death. The Boers, too, are fighting for their firefifty colored voters-most of these sides; they are defending their homes and country against an invader. The British will win in the end but the war will be bloody and protracted.-States-

# Spencer Department.

Mrs. W. M. Coon spent Tuesday ith Mr. Fesperman.

Stock law is demanded by a umber of the residents.

E. A. Prescott, of Danville, Va.,

visiting at George Jackson's. J. L. Rufty is having lumber ly and was admitted. But some who plared for a new 9-room house on

Mr. A. F. Walker has completed his new house on Long street, negro. But nobody makes any fuss He moved in one day last week.

Joe Wilburn, fireman on Charlotte division, who moved from Salisbury to Spencer about a week

ago is quite sick. Wild goese are very plentiful off the Yadkin river. Those living near the river say they have never

seen so many before. I. H. Hatley's father, sister and brother returned to Albemarle Monday. They had been visiting

Mr. Hatley several days. Engineer D. L. Davis, and Geo. Albright returned Monday night from Chatham, Va., where they had been attending court.

We learn that J. W. Clapp, of Burlington, has bought a lot next to F. R. L. Shaffer's lunch-room, from J. D. Haden and will soon

build a hotel. Capt. Jim Williams, formerly of the Spencer yard, but who recently gave up his position to accept a job as fireman, has resigned. in Danville, Va., to spend the

In reply to the report that a young butcher could not find the brains in a beef head, he asks us to say that the reason he couldn't find them was because it was like the head of the party who started the report.

Engineer Ollie Puryear, of Greensboro, came in on yesterday morning on 33. He is on the passenger run during the absence of

The ladies of the Baptist Ladies' Aid Society, at Spencer yesterday, about, but the doctor says the bullet | d.d the handsome thing for their pastor, Rev. C. G. Wells. The President notified him yesterday that his presence was very much needed at the meeting of the Society, that morning. When they met, the Vice-President, in behalf of the Society. stood forth in the midst of the assembly, and with a few well chosen remarks, presented Pastor Wells with \$25 00 as a token of their esteem, So well had they kept the object of his presence at this meeting from him that he could not adequately utter his appreciation. He accepted the gift, and the ladies dispersed to their homes. The pastor considers this one of the most interesting and successful meetings of the Society that has been held in a long time; and he says that he is always going to go when the ladies of his congregation tell him to go.

> Go to W. O. Laughlin's market, at Spencer, fronting Climax hotel for fresh beefsteak, porksteak and nice

## THE WEATHER.

The weather forecast: Fair tonight and Thursday; warmer.

Mr. Elliott, of South Carolina, has introduced a bill in the House at Washington to investigate the cause of yellow fever.

Senator-elect Hayward, of Nebraska, having died since his election, the Senate adjourned yesterday in his hon-

Eight hundred and sixty. one bills and thirty resolutions were introduced in the House at Washington, Monday, the greatest number ever introduced in the memory of any official,