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LOCAL MENTION

"The Keeper of the Bees," ratton porter's greatest story,

For the accommodation of the public all the banks of the city will be open Thursday night (Christmas Eve) from 7 to 8 o'clock.

There will be a Christmas exercise at Keller Reformed Church this eye ning beginning at 7 o'clock. Every body is cordially invited.

Do you want some engraved Christ-mas greeting cards with your name on at the last moment? Come to The Tribune office and we can have them for you on two hours notice. Miss Minnie Cranfield, who has been undergoing treatment in the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte for several weeks, has returned to her home. Her condition is improved.

The weekly meeting of the Concord Rotary Club was held at the Y. M. C. A., today at 12:30. Members of the club are planning now for Ladies' Night which will be held in the near future.

Business will be practically at a standstill here on Christmas. Business houses will be closed, the library will be closed, offices in the city hall and court house will be closed, and only police officers will be on regular dury.

No meeting of the Concord Ki-canis Club will be held this week use to the fact that the meeting day omes on Christmas. The regular neeting will be held next week at thich time new officers will be in-talled for the year.

Work on Spring street extension is progressing rapidly, workmen having been engaged during the past few days in removing trees and in level-ing the ground. It is thought that the street can be completed within several weeks.

Only one case is to be disposed of in court today. The defendant, a woman charged with vaggancy, was tried Monday but the case was continued until this afternoon when sentence will be passed by Judge Caldwell. Officers report little business during the week.

City officers in charge of charity work declare only a few calls for aid have been received recently. One family Monday asked for fuel and food and this was supplied, J. H. Brown, county welfare officer, send-ing the fuel and the city sending food

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following couples: James Love and Miss Ella Mae Petrea, both of Kannapolis; and Carl Fisher and Miss Wilma Barrier, both of Gold Hill Route No. 2. In addition licenses were issued Tuesday to three colored couples.

The general public is invited to see the pageant at Central Methodist Church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Members of the Sunday School of the Church will give the pageant and while no admission charge will be made persons attending are asked to take gifts for orphans and other needy persons.

Work will be halted in some of the local textile plants tonight for the remainder of the week. By halting work tonight mill managements will give their employes tomorrow in which to do their last-minute shop-ping for Christmas. Work will be resumed in the mills Monday morn-

ing.

A number of the people of the city have, according to H. W. Blanks, expressed their regret at being unable to see the play, "Why the Chimes Rang," which was given Monday night at the Y. M. C. A. An effort was made to have it repeated but other arrangements for the Y gymnasium prevented this.

"Some baby," Thursday and Friday nights and matinee Friday at the Concord Theatre. This is a complete scenic comedy drama of real artists. Matinee Friday at 3, and at 8:30 each night. Prices from 25 cents to \$1.00. Pictures will be shown Thursday from 1 to 8 p. m., and on Friday from 11 to 8 p. m.

Sam Cain, alias King, negro, was rrested here Tuesday on request of fiftcers from Chester, S. C. Local of-icers have been advised that Cain is vanted for grand lareny. Officers rom Chester came to Concord today.

as day as a holiday, e Oestmaster W. B. Ward regulations as laid dow rved to the letter, it is mail will be delivered, home or at the post te single exception of letters and packages.

MASONIC NOTICE.

The Night Before Christmas

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there; The children were nestled all snug in their beds, The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads; And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap, When out on the law there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw, up the sash. The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below, When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer, With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted and called them by name;
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prances and Vixen!
On, Comet! on Cupid! on, Donder and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away; dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
To up to the housetop the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked as a peddler just opening his pack. And he looked as a peddler just opening his pack. His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples how merry His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples how merry His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry! His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow, And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow; The stump of a pipe he beld tight in his teeth, And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath; He had a broad face and a little round belly, That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly. He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself; A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread; He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk. And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose; He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle, But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night."

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