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THREE FOLD POSITION OF LICHT CONSUMERS.

The New Bern electric light consumer occupies a three-fold position That is, he is a consumer, a payer of the light he uses, and a partner in the company of which he gets the electric light service. Of the first two, the electric consumer is at present most interested. As a partner, he expects no dividend, but hopes that the service will pay out

As consumers of electric light service in this city, there are few who will admit that they are getting a service that was in a general way guaranteed them, when they voted for municipal ownership. Complaints for no service upon some nights, develop a variety of excuses. Probably the fireman at the electric light works, is most credited as being the cause of no lights and deficient light voltage, when the lights are burning. The consumer is charged for the service, and perhaps pays the bill. That is the presumption.

To those who may complain of the light service, the argument has been used, that the price of the service is too low. If it is, can the consumer be blamed? There is hardly a consumer who would complain if a higher charge was fixed for the service-providedthat it could be shown beyond question, that the service at the present cost was given upon a practical and economical basis, and was conducted along business lines, and could not be maintained. So far as the Journal has had to do with the electric light service, and it has suffered severe never been given an excuse that would be valid, or conclusive that the service was not to blame itself, for light failures. It is not a far guess to what consumers would do, if the lights were not their property, as tax payers, but instead were the property of private citi-

In the capacity of being owners of the electric light system, consumers have not as yet fully acquainted themselves. If the business was a private one, such as a firm, there would be a stricter demand that the inmost and outermost affairs of the company be known. What percentage of tax payers know how the accounts of this publie utility stand? How many tax payers visit the works and know how these are conducted? Getting down still farther, how many tax payers know who are on the water and light commission. and who are in the employ of this commission? Is it too much to say that the payer who does not keep informed on local municipal affairs and the conduct of the same, is a poor citizen? Certainly a partner in any mercantile house who did not know how the affairs of his firm were being conducted, would not be much of a business man, and would not receive any pity, if his firm made a failure.

AN AUDITORIUM AND LOCAL EDUCATION

The observance of McIver Day in the Graded Schools of this city was kept from being made the occasion it might have been, because of the lack of an auditorium, in which could gather all There is considerable activity in the

The educational advancement in New Hern during the last few years, is most gratifying. The educational sentiment ratifying. The educational sentiment tinues to improve with the approach of the holidays, especially in groceries and supplies. Collections generally are not a liberal disposition towards educa mal support, in better equipment of ildings and apparatus. The pay of schere has been advanced. All this and needed, and still more in call-

To promote this attendance of parents at the graded schools, there must be some interest aroused, something that will cause parents to visit the schools several times, at least, during the school year. To visit the school room as it is now, is often a matter of embarrassment. If the schools had some gathering when educational exercises could be seen, parents would readily be induced to attend. But at present there is no place where such exercises can be properly held.

An auditorium is the educational need today of the graded schools of this city. Not only at the end of the school year, when the closing exercises and graduating exercises are held, but upon McIver Day just passed, and upon occasions that could be arranged, if there was an auditorium, would there be gatherings of parents, pupils and those interested in educational advancement. It is not hard to predict that such gatherings would result most beneficially. They would help the parents as much as the pupils. It would provoke a stronger and healthier literary sentiment in this community. It would work for a higher moral tone. Let the work for an auditorium for the graded schools be started at once.

THE CROWTH THAT COUNTS.

"Thank God a man can grow!

He is not bound With earthward gaze to creep along the ground: Though his beginnings be but poor and Tnank God a man can grow!

The fires upon his alters may burn dim, The torch he lighted may in darknes

And nothing to rekindle it avail .-But high beyond his dull horizon's rim

Aecturus and the Pleiads beckon him!' Nothing is more terrible than for youth to begin life with the wrong conception of the true meaning of life. The splendid feeling of physical strength, the joy of breath, of the zest that comes with health, makes the future seem one where happiness depended solely upon the physical. The physical is one that ought not to be denied, but encouraged, for with strength comes the greater faculty to enjoy the mental and

But man is so prone to develop along ines which make his growth imperfect. The physical is trained to the neglect of the mental. Or the mental given all opportunity, and so the physical and spiritual are dwarfed. The check of one over the other, the slighting of one is man's fault. "He is not bound with earthward gaze to creep along the ground," for the Supreme Being has given him the powers, that trained, shall make man greatest of living things, in the physical and material world, and possible of development that

It is the thought that must go with man-"and so all growth that is not towards God is growing to decay", that will check the tendency that seeks to find in self, the fulfillment of all personal destiny, and so failing, will find that no growth has been attained.

It is this onward and upward endeavor that is worthy of the best that is in man. The thought of development, that means individuality that is not only for self. It is not growth, where mere ly self is the gainer. It is not possible that man wrapped up in self, will be able to mount to higher things. It is personal selfishness, that holds down, and checks manhood and womanhood in its development. It makes man the creeper, for it is the touch of earth that is strongest upon him, and hinders and kills the desire and ambition, to seek the upward course, for the endeavor is lacking, the impulse that was spiritual has been starved to incapability, and so lost even its strength to struggle, much less to be able to move upward.

To Cure A Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets Druggists refund money if it fails to cure E. W. Grove's signature is each box. 25c.

Bradstreets Trade Report

Richmond Dec; 14. Bradstreet's tomorrow will say for Richmond and viinity; Grocers in all branches are especially busy and in some instances jobhers are over-taxed filling their orders. the pupils of the schools and others who derate, the demand good prices are firm.

The weather is unfavorable for handng loose tobucco; the offerings on the local market are small, but where the quality is good prices are satisfactory Local retail trade in all branches con

William's Carbolle Salve With Arnica and

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NADINOLA is guaranteed and money funded if it fails to remove freckles. mples, tan, sallowness, liver spots, collar erations, black heads disfiguring erup-Hons, etc., in twenty days. Leaves the skin clear, soft, healthy, and restores the beauty of youth. Endorsed by thousands. Price 50 cents and \$1.00 at all leading lrug stores, or by mail. Prepared by National Toilet Co., Paris, Tenn. Sold in New Rern by Bradham's Pharmacy and other Leading Druggist

The Play of Caste.

The Peruchi-Gypzene Co. gave the English play of "Caste or Mismated" last night. It was not an exactly pleasing drama but it was ably presented by the company and demonstrated their real strength perhaps as well as any play in their repertoire. The comedy parts were very good and met the approval of the gallery.

The comedy Little Miss Nobody will be given at the matinee 2:30 p. m. The Queen of Cripple Creek will be the farewell bill.

A Guaranteed Cure For Piles

Itching, Blind, Bleeding, Protruding, Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

The Methodist Bazaar

The ladies of the Methodist church held a very successful bazaar and Christmas festival in the basement of the church last night. The booths were handsome'v arranged and supplied with a large quantity of pretty things which were sold easily. A fine bill of fare was furnished for supper which was liberally patronized.

Elks Christmas Tree

In accordance with their established custom the Fiks will have a Christmas tree for the benefit of the white children of the city. The people who have witnessed these glad occasions can testify that they are of lasting benefit as well as temporary delight. It has been the object of the Order to give such presents to the children as will be use ful and this year they will as usual de vote their attention to the more substantial articles for apparel and use. not forgetting, however, to be liberal with candies and fruits. Arrangements makes the highest spiritual world his to are being made for the biggest and best tree the Elks have ever had.

Notice to Our Customers,

We are pleased to announce that Foey's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. Davis Pharmacy.

Mexico is reported to be on the point of concluding a big railroad merger.

About Digestion.

It is not the quantity of food taken but the amount digested and assimilated that gives strength and vitality to the system. Chamber'ain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invigorate the stomach and liver and enable them to perform their functions. The result is a relish for your food, increased strength by F. S. Duffy. and weight, greater endurance and a clear bead. Price, 25 cents. Samples free. For sale by Davis Pharmacy and F S Duffy.

Clifford Hooe, the negro coachman who perjured himself in the Hartje case, went to the penitentiary for six

The Kind You Have Alwars Bought

Show me a man without a spot, and I'll show you a maid without a fault .-Old Saying.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(SEAL.) A. W. GLEASON, Norany Public Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mu surfaces of the system. Send for

stimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. all druggiets, 75c fall's Family Pills for co

CRIMINAL STATISTICS.

An Array of Figures for Two Years, From July 1, 1904 to July 1, 1906, By

Attorney General Gilmer. (Special Correspondence.) Raleigh, Dec. 14.-Attorney Genera ilmer has completed his report of criminal statistics for the two years

ending July 1, last. Each year is made up separately: These reports are based on returns made by clerks of courts. During the year ended July 1, 1905, there were 9,584 criminal actions disposed of, of which women were defendants in 726, of the defendants 4,427 be ing white, 4.616 colored and 15 Indians The number of convictions was 6,456, acquittals 1,083. For the year ending last July the number of criminal actions disposed of was 10,117, the defendants in 573 cases being women, the number of whites being 4,940, negroes 4,599 and Indians 58, the number of conviction being 6,716 and acquittals 1,215.

The following is the summary of the various offences with which the defendants were charged, the first figures given showing the numbers of persons so charged for 1905, the last figures those for 1906:

Assault and battery 302 and 348 abandonment 57 and 61; affray 352 and 390; arson 14 and 7; assault 369 and 346; assault with felonious intent 24 and 35: attempt to poison 5 and 1; assault with deadly weapon 1250 and 1256; abduction 8 ank 14; bigancy 14 and 13; burglary, first degree, 5 and 6; second degree 35 and 11; burning other than arson 15 and 22; carrying concealed weapons 1101 and 1049; conspiracy 6 and 12; cruelty to animals 59 and 75; disturbing meeting 115 and 179; escape 30 aud 30; embez zlement 58 and 40; adultry 265 and 294; failure to list taxes 663 and 601; false pretense 105 and 82; forcible trespass, 171 and 190; forgery 42 and 31; gambling 350 and 315; housebreaking 61 and 62; house burning 2 and 1; incest 7 and 7; illegal registration 31 and none; larceny 1023 and 1004; larceny in receiving 235 and 276; libel 13 and 11 nanslaughter 26 und 23; murder, first degree; 38 aud 54; second degree 59 aud 51; malpractice in effice 6 and 1; perjury 31 and 42; practicing medicine without license 26 and 26; rape 18 and 15; robbery 32 and 23; retailing whiskey without license 1044 and 1222; selling liquor to minors 17 and 5, and selling it

Outwits The Surgeon.

seduction 16 and 30; riot 13 and 7.

on Sunday 11 and 7; slander 25 and 26;

A complication of female troubles with catarrh of the stomach and bowls, had reduced Mrs. Thos. S. Austin. of Leavenworth, Ind., to such a deplorable condition, that her doctor advised, an operation; but her husband fearing fatal results, postponed this to try Elec tric Bitters; and to the amazement of all who knew her, this medicine completely cured her. Guaranteed cure for torpid liver, kidney disease, biliousness. aundice, chills and fever, general debility, nervousness and blood poisoning. Best tonic made. Price 50c at all Drug stores. Try it.

A man is not known 'till he cometh to honor. - From the Dutch.



Men may live fools, but fools they annot die. - Young.

If "taken at the Sneeze Stage" Pre ventics-a toothsome candy Tabletwill surely and quickly check an approaching cold or Lagrippe. When you first catch cold-or feel it coming ontake Dr. Shoop's Preventics, and the prompt effect will certainly surprise and please you. Preventics, surely supply the proverbial "ounce-of prevention." Sold in 5 cent and 25 cent boxes

It is a sign of a good man if he grow better by commendation, - From the L. McDaniel. German.

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Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your Kidneys and Bladder? Have you pains in the loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, capecially under the eyes? Too frequent desire to pass urine? If so William's Kidney Pills will cure you. Sample Free. By mail 50 cents. Sold by Druggists. by Druggists.
WILLIAMS MFG. CO., Props.,
Cleveland. O. Sold by D. A. Harget.

When the sun shines on thee, tho edest not care for the moon. - From the Italian.

New Care for Epilopey.

J B Waterman, of Watertown, O. Rural free delivery, writes: "M laughter, afflicted for years with ep sy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years." Best body clean sers and life giving toole pills on earth Scat all druggists.

Small things make buse men proud.

NEITHER COMMU-

TATION NOR STAY.

Ben Williams, the Colored Murderer, Must Hang as Ordered by the Court.

Special Correspondence. Raleigh, Dec. 14-Governor Glenn today declined to interfere in the matter of Ben Williams, the negro convicted of marder in Raleigh and sentenced to be nanged here December 20 h. His attorney made a plea for commutation to life imprisonr ent, and this failing asked that the execution be postponed, but the governor says that after reading the evidence and also the letter from Judge Council, who tried the case, that he cannot grant any commutation or postponement and that the man must be executed.

Back to New Bern!

While there is no weather sign of winter here, in snow, ice and chilling blasts, -winter has come, nevertheless and by the token, that J. L. Kearny, Esq., who sets down Perth Amboy, New Jersey, as his residence, is in the city, came yesterday. Capt. Kearny is the veteran, alongshore sport, kills everything from snipe to ducks, and does his hunting, after taking note of thermometer and barometer, But he is a good fellow and his many friends are giving him the glad hand. The Journal extends its welcome to the gentleman from Jersey.

Dec. 14th There are many people changing lo-

The cold weather and Christmas people change places.

J S Robinson will move to Dover today he will take a job with the Cedar mill. Mr A W Avery will take Mr Robinsons place in Cove.

Riverdale.

The weather has been delightful since the rain Monday night. Mrs J T Ives spent the day in New

Bern last Friday. Mr B B Mallison is home from Spring

Mrs B W Ives was in New Bern Wednesday.

Mrs Lula Trader of Cherry Point was ere yesterday visiting.

Mr A D Fisher and daughter were New Bern Wednesday. Mrs R B Mallison returned from from Pine Grove to her home at this

place last Friday. Mr J S Fisher and son spent the day

n New Bern yesterday. Mr and Mrs C Simpson spent the day

n New Bern Monday. Miss Maggie Tucker who is teaching at this place is expecting to return to her home at New Bern tomorrow A.

School Girl.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment will cure Blind, Bleeding, Ulcerated and Icching Piles. It absorbs the tumors, allays the itching at once, acts as a poultice, gives instant relief. Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared for Piles and Itching of the private parts. Every hox is guaranteed. vate parts. Every box is guaranteed. Sold by druggists, by mail, for 50c and 1.00 Sold by D. A Harget.

Falsehood is often rocked by truth, but she soon outgrows her cradle and discards her nurse. - Cotton.

If you like Coffee but dare not drink it try Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee. It is true that real coffee does disturb the stomach, heart and kidneys. But Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee has not a grain of true coffee in it. Being made from parched grains, malt, etc., it forms a wholesome, food-like drink, yet having the true flavor of Old Java and Mocha Coffee. "Made in a minute." Call at our store for a free sample. Sold by J.

The love of power is an instinct of the human heart.-Tacitus.

Catarrh of the nose and throat should ead you to at least ask us for a free trial box of Dr. Shoop's Caterrh Cure. Nothing so surely preves merit as a prove this, earnestly desires that we let you make that test. This creamy, Snow White healing balm, soothes the throat and nostrils, and quickly purifies a foulor feverish breath. Call and investigate. F. S. Duffy.

The Reichstag, having voted to reject the supplemental appropriation for Ger man Southwest Africa, it was dissolved and a new election ordered.

For any of the ordinary diseases of the skin Chamberlain's Salve is excel ent. It not only allays the itching and smarting but effects a cure. For sale by Davis Pharmacy and F S Duffy.

The colored people of Richmond have eld two meetings, in which they have enounced President Rossevelt's "dis-harged without honor" order in regard to the three companies of regulars in connection with the Brownville riot.

MacKay's Mac-u-dine

AFFLICTED WITH CATARRH-LIFE HAD BECOME A BURDEN.

Pe-ru-na, Used As a Last Resort, Affords Complete Relief.



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"I tried different remedies and the best professional treatment all in vain. "Finally, as a last resort, I tried Peruna upon the recommendation of

Peruna upon the recommendation of my sister in Hamilton.

"I could see steady improvement and after using four bottles of that precious vent it from making inreads upon vital vent it from making invent it from making invent it from making invent it from making in the content in modicine I was feeling well again, my organs.

old trouble being completely a thing of the past.

"To-day I would not take one thousand dollars for what this grand medicine has done for me."

Many women owe their lives to Peruna. A great many more owe their health to Peruna. A multitude of women throughout Canada are using Peruna as a preventative and a relief from catarrhal coughs

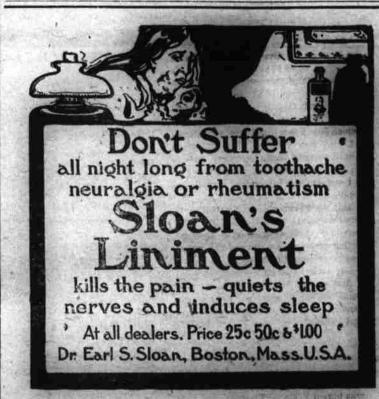
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