GENERAL CITY NEWS. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Villing a Vacancy-Heaton Gives Bond.

The Board met yesterday at 12 m. pursuant to an adjourned session. Present: J. G. Wagner, chairman. Duncan Holmes, Delaware Nixon and Stacy Van' Amringe.

der D. C. Davis tendered his official bond of \$200 for Standard-keeper, with H. E. Scott and W. H. Grotgen as sure-

On motion the Board went into an election to fill the vabancy caused by the declination of Mr Edward Kidder. Mr. I. B. Grainger was put in nomination and unanimously elected.

The clerk was ordered to notify Mr. Grainger to come forward and qualify on Wednesday, 27th inst.

Geo. W. Berden, col., was granted license to retail liquor in the city of Wilmington.

On motion a ress was taken until 24 3 o'clock P. M. o'elock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Board went into an election of County Surveyor in place of A B Lind, colored, who declined to qualify. Mr. John K. Brown was unanimously chosen.

The bond of James Heaton was tendered to the Board with James Wilson and Mrs. Mary V. Heaton as sureties. in the sum of \$10,000, which, on motion, was received.

A Pair of Boots.

As officer King was passing the cor ner of Third and Princess streets yesterday morning he noticed a colored man by the name of Shepherd Thompsourunning, and James Galley, colored pursuing him. Officer King stopped Thompson and was informed by Ga Ly that Thompson had stolen a pair of boots from him. It seems that a week ago Shepherd came in the shop of Galley and after staying some time departed. It was then that Galley missed a poor of boots which belonged to James Rivers. Galley was certain that the boots were in the shop when Thompson came in. He said nothing about the matter and waited. Yesterday morning Thompson came into the shop with the boots on his feet. Galley ordered him to give them up when Thompson started to run. He will have a hearing before the Mayor on Tuesday.

Too Much Barleycorn.

Yesterday prorning as the Mayor was driving up to the City Hall in his buggy he noticed one of the police force staggering up the street. He called to a colored man to "cary that policeman to the guard house;" but the policeman heard the Mayor's order and thinking he addressing him, was seized hold of the colored man, and succeeded in carrying him to the guard house The Janitor, thinking something was wrong, locked up both. The Mayor discharged the policeman from the force for being drunk on the street.

Mayor's Court.

Josephine Turner, retailing liquor without a license; dismissed.

Julius Brown, disorderly conduct; fined \$20 and costs or thirty days on the streets.

Jacob Greens disorderly conduct; fined \$5 and costs.

J. W. Morgan, disorderly conduct, was to have been tried but he took French leave.

The H. and S. S.

The historical papers of Col. Burr the Historical and Scientific Society, are in course of preparation. The former's will be on local history. Judge Cantwell has selected as his theme the Barnwell Expedition in 1710 and the Campaign against the Tuscaroras.

Col. Burr's paper will be read at the January meeting, Judge Cantwell's at the February.

Thermometrical.

The state of the thermometer at the various stations named below was observed at the signal office in this city, at 4:31 p. m.:

Augusta, 50; Charleston, 50; Galveston, 50. Jacksonville, 54; Mobile, 48; New Orleans, 49; Norfolk, 36; Savannah, 53; Wilmington, 49.

was arrested on Market street yester- aday; now the tables are turned, and day evening for abusing and cursing a it is the News that comes first. What white man. He will appear before the ails our Raleigh contemporaries? Mayor Tuesday.

have ust been discharged.

Sunday Services. Worship in the various churches of the city to-day as follows:

Front Street M. E. (South), corner of Front and Walnut streets, Rev. J. E. Mann pastor. Service every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 3 P. M.

Fifth Street Methodist E. (South), situated on Fifth, between Nun and Church streets, Rev. J. M. Rhodes The Board having been called to or- pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 71 p. m. Sabbath School at 91 A. M.

> St. Paul's Evang. Lutheran, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. English service at 11 A. N.; German service at 71 P. M. Sunday School at 21 P. M.

> St. Thomas' Catholic, Dock street, between Second and Third street. Morning Services at 7 and 10 A. M. Vespers at 74 P. M. Sunday School at

> First Presbyterian, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. Jos. R. Wilson D. D., pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 71 P. M. Sabbath School exercises at

> Second Presbyterian, corner- of Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. C. M. Payne pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 71 P. M. Sabbath School and Bible Class at 3 p. M. Seats free.

> St. John's, corner of Third and Red Cross street, Rev. George Patterson rector. Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock ; Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock. Sunday School at 4.

St. James', corner of Market and Third streets, Rev. Dr. A. A. Watson rector. Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock. Evening Prayer at 5 o'clock. Sunday School at 4 P. M.

St. Paul's (Episcopal), corner of Fourth and Orange streets. Services at 11 A. M. and 71 P. M. Sunday School at 34 P. M. Rev. T. M. Ambler rector. Seats free.

Seamen's Bethel, on Dock between Front and Water streets. Rev. J. L. Keen, chaplain. Services at 11 A. M.

First Congregational. Services every Sunday in Academy Hall, corner of Seventh and Nun streets, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. First Baptist, corner of Market and

Fifth streets, Rev. James B. Taylor pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 71 P. M. Sunday School at 91 A. M.

Second Baptist, on 6th between Church and Castle streets. Services at 11 A. M. and 71 P. M. First Freewill Baptist, corner Fourth

und Dawson streets: Services at 11 a. m. and 7½ p. m.

Services at St Mark's (colored) Episcopal, corner of Sixth and Mulberry streets. Morning prayer at 11 o'clock; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.

The Light Intantry Accepts Charlotte's Hospitality.

The following letter from Capt. M. P. Taylor accepting the hospitality of the city of Charlotte tendered through Mayor Johnson to the Wilmington Light Infantry has been received by the Mayor of Charlotte, and published in the Observer :

ARMORY WILL LIGHT INF'RY,

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18, '67. Hon. Wm. Johnston, Mayor of the City of Charlotte: Dear Sir-Your letter of the 15th inst, has just been received, extending the hospitalities of your city to my command, during our sojourn with you, as a part of the escort to Gov Z B Vance to Raleigh. This is only another evidence of the generosity which is so characteristic of your good city-and in behalf of the Wilmington Light Infantry, I thank you most kindly. We will leave Wilmington on the morning of the 29th, reaching Charlotte at 8:30 p. m. It will indeed be a source of very great pleasure to us, to meet the Hornets Nest Riflemen for the first time, and and Judge Cantwell, to be read before hope the day is not far distant, when we may have the pleasure of reciprocating the honors done us by you and them. I am, sir.

Very truly yours, MATTHEW P TAYLOR, Captain Commanding W. L. I.

The Gypsies.

The two gypsies arrested in this city, one on a charge of stealing a horse in Wake county, and the other for assaulting the officer who made the arrest, were taken to Raleigh for trial. The case of the first was dismissed on payment of costs. The party charged with horse-stealing was allowed time to procure witnessess but the horse he had ridden to Raleigh was held as security,

Lately it was the Observer that came to this city on the day of publi-Henry McNeil, a young negro man, cation, while the News lagged behind

The Democratic Reform Club met Four members of the police force again last night to consider the subject of the city charter,

MOVEMENT FOR COUNTY TRE-FORM.

Meeting in Pender.

To the Cape Fear. Pender Co., N. C., Dec. 23.-Please allow us to state that a public meeting of the friends of improvement and reform in county government will be held at the Court House in Pender on Tuesday, 26th inst., at 12 m. The object is to take action before the Legislature meets in behalf of a better system of county government. While this is a Pender county meeting, the friends of an improved system of county government, who reside in other counties, are invited to attend, as the cause of one is the cause of all. Major Engelhard, the pioneer in this great State movement of constitutional reform in North Carolina, has been invited to attend and address the people of Pender on that MANY CITIZENS.

No Paper Tuesday.

The CAPE FEAR will take its Christmas along with other people. In consequence no paper will be issued until Wednesday morning. Who wants to read a newspaper the morning after Christmas?

Merry Christmas.

The top of the season, the cream of enjoyment, the best of all things obtainable to each and every reader of the CAPE FEAR! A merry, merry Christ-

The streets were crowded last night, and the shop-keepers were kept busy until a late hour waiting on customers.

Read the new advertisement of J. C. Stevenson.

FLORIDA FOR TILDEN.

Decision of the Superior Court.

Tallahassee, Dec. 22.—The Supreme Court sustains the Drew demurrer to the answer to the Canvassing Board, and grants a peremptory order to the Board to recanvass from the face of the by a small majority, and of course elects the balance of the Democratic ticket, including both Gongressmen. The Democrats are quietly but heartly enjoying their victory,

The counsel for the Board gave notice of a motion to answer.

The Court adjourned to 9 a. m. to morrow, and announced its determina-

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tion to adjourn sine die to morrow

Charlotte Observer: Col. J. H. Wheeler, the celebrated North Carolina Historian, and the walking dictionary of valuable statistics and dates, has compiled from the official documents in Washington City, a complete list of the proceedings of all the electoral colleges from 1789 to 1873 inclusive,

= Dr. P. M. Winchester, member of the lower house of the General Assembly from Rockingham county, died of pneumonia, in Raleigh, on Friday. Wm. Meissimer was hanged in

Statesville Friday for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Heilig, his mother-in-law. Robert Ham, a store-keeper of Best's station on the A. & N. C. R. R. was murdered Friday morning in his store.

Postal Hours.

The mails close at the City Post-Office Northern through mails - - - 5:30 P. M. Northern through and way mails, daily - - - - 7:00 A. M Mails for the N. C. Railroad and routes supplied therefrom, at - - - - -Southern mails for all points South, daily - 7:00 P. M. Western mails C. C. R'y, daily 6:00 A. M. Fayetteville and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays - - - . . 1:00 P. M. Fayetteville by C. C. Rly, daily (except Sundays) . 6:00 A. M Onslow C. H. and intermediate offices, every Friday

Northern through mails - - - 12:45 P. M. Northern through & way mails 8:00 P. M. The Smithville mails, by steamboat, close at 8 A. M., daily, except Sundays.

Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Supply and Shallotte, every Friday at 6 A. M. Mails delivered from 6 A. M. to 7:00 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M.

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NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE - FIRST ROUND OF APPOINTMENTS FOR QUAR-TERLY MEETINGS AS MADE BY THE PRE-SIDING ELDER, REV. W. S. BLACK, POR THE PRESENT CONFERENCE YEAR:

Wilmington, at Fifth Street, Dec. 23, 24 Magnolia, at Magnolia - - -Onslow, at Lebanon - - - -Jan. 6, 7 Whiteville & Waccamaw Mis. ". 13, 14 at Whiteville - - - - -Bladen, at Deems' Chapel, . 20, 21 Elizabeth, at Elizabeth - - -" 27, 28 Wilmington, Front Street - -Feb. 3, 4 Smithville, at Zion - - - -" 10, 11 " 17, 18 Clinton, at Clinton - - - -" 24, 25 Topsail, at Union - - - - .

Cokesbury and Coharie Miss. Mar. 3, 4 Kenansville, at Kenansville, " 10, 11 District Steward's meeting, at the Lec-ture Room of the Front Street Church, class Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Feb. 5.

NOTES AND GLEANINGS.

Grant Not to be Senator. Grant says he will not be a candidate for Senator from Illinois, and that prefers that Logan shall be re-elected. The Legislature stands 100 Republicans, 98 Democrats and independents, the latter holding the balance of power. After Mr. Logan the Republican candidates are Colonel Ingersoll, Minister ter E. B. Washburne, Messrs. Milton Hay, William Lathrop, H. C. Burchard and Gov, Beveringe. On the Democratic side the aspirants are Congressmen Morrison and Anderson, ex-Governor John M. Palmer, whilst the indepedents are hopeful of electing either Long John Wentworth or Mr. Haines, the present speaker of the House of Delegates.

Butler Wants a New Election.

While in Washington, Thursday Gen. Butler said that he did not believe it possible for any compromise of the Presidential question to be effected. He said that there had been so much much taint attaching to the legality of the proceedings in several of the States. connected with the late Presidential contest that, in his judgment, it will be impracticable for either party to purge itself of the wrongs alleged against it so as to satisfy the great mass of the American people, who are auxious to see the right prevail in the contest. Neither party would be content to believe, by any possible showing that the other is not entirely in fault for the present condition of affairs. The General suggests that Congress go to work at once and pass a special election law, calling for a new election to take place

The House Programme.

It is said to be the belief in the Senate that the House will insist upon the obersevance of the following programme for the opening of the certificates of the electoral vote, especially in the treatment of the doubtful ones likely to come from some of the Southern States; -The House will take the position that after the Present of the Senate has opened the certificates in the presence of the two houses, without discrimination and without other declaration than returns. This gives the State to Tilden | the mere fact of what they state as to two houses to decide what shall be done with the conflicting certificates. The House will resent positively the assumption that the President of the Senate has any authority whatever to decide which of the two seats of conflicting certificates shall be selected. There will be, so says a prominent Republican Senator, no appeal from the decision of the President of the Senate, but when this condition of affairs is reached a Depresentative will rise and announce: -"I object;" whereupon the two houses will separate for consultation, and as soon as a decision is reached as to what shall be done it shall be announced and further action will be accordingly taken.

He further says:-"It is an erroneous opinion of Senator Morton that an appeal will be taken from the decision of the President of the Senate, and if not sustained by both houses of Congress will fall. He adds that there is no such motions to be made, and that it would be futile to take any such position in case of a disagreement from the decission of the President of the Senate at the counting of the electoral vote."

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