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WASH OUT

For the New Year.

We are not cleaning out a lot of old books and shopworn stationery, but we are cleaning out some of the most readable books in stylish bindings, you ever saw. Some of the finest stationery that pen or pencil ever traveled over.

When you learn that we are selling the famous standard books for 25% we know you will be surprised. What a pleasure to read such books at such prices.

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We have just stocked upon Blank Books, Day Books, Ledgers, Pass Books and everything a business man wants to begin a new year's work. Prices lower than you have ever bought before.

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We have a full line of goods to meet the cold weather, viz:

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SHOES for everybody.

If you are going to take a trip, buy your Trunk or Valise at the

LYON RACKET STORE.

Household and Table Linens

We call the attention of housekeepers to our lines of household and table linens, to which have been lately been added several new shipments making ready for our January business. Fringed table cloths with napkins to match, in open work effects. New designs in table damask by the yard with napkins to match. Hemstitched, tied fringe and hemmed huck towels. Unusual variety throughout the department. Many at very attractive prices.

W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co.

A new lot baby carriages just received at Thomas & Maxwell's.

O. H. Johnson, dealer in staple and fancy groceries, fine cigars and tobaccos. Fruits, vegetables, &c., 331 Hillsboro street.

Don't forget to try our 25 and 35c oysters at D. Bell & Co.'s. dec31

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We have fine oysters at 25 and 35c. at D. Bell & Co.'s. dec31

Thomas & Maxwell has just received a large lot of pine fiber mattresses for people suffering with bronchial or lung troubles.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW LEGISLATURE

GREETING,

And a hearty welcome to Raleigh and a cordial invitation to Swindell's Big Store. There you find Collars, Cuffs, Neckties, Socks, Handkerchiefs and Cologne, Combs and Brushes at right prices. Now, gentlemen, do something sensible. Begin by repealing foolish enactments of your predecessors. This is the opportunity of your life to do a magnificent job. This legislature can immortalize itself by relieving the people of bad laws and enacting good ones. Give magistrates more jurisdiction; establish the whipping post; make it a crime for a judge to sentence a child to the penitentiary; get things right. Get a nice suit of clothes from Swindell's to start. Then get a pair of nice shoes from Swindell's that you may keep going. Help education and don't show lack of good judgment by cutting off any of the appropriations to the schools of the state. Follow the instructions of the attorney general in his letter to Gov. Carr. Fix things. Get a nice carpet and a cloak from Swindell's and send them home. Swindell pays express charges. Don't waste your wages in riotous living. Go to church each Sunday, and remember the plate will come your way. Get warm underwear and white shirts from Swindell's. And above all do your duty regardless of the opinion of your constituency at home. They will respect and honor you for it. Remedy the oyster law and spend your money at Swindell's store and your stay in Raleigh will be a grand and profitable success. Swindell's is 308 Fayetteville street.

A NOTED LUNATIC.

John C. Davis, the Wilmington Embezzler, Escapes.

Tuesday evening John C. Davis, of Wilmington, escaped from the North Carolina insane asylum. In the storm and darkness, with all the proverbial cunning of a lunatic, he effected his escape. He has not yet been captured.

Davis is a noted criminal and only escaped the penitentiary by being declared insane. He it was who three years ago created such a profound sensation in Wilmington by his reckless embezzlement of church and trust funds; he it was who wrecked the Fifth street Methodist church there; he it was whom many orphans and widows of that section have to thank for terrible and grinding poverty. Davis was a "pillar" of the church but like, alas, too many "pillars," he turned out to be a very bad man and one who had used the great popularity and trust the people had in him, on account of his church connections, for nefarious business and heartless robbery.

He was brought to trial and, after a long legal wrangle, was declared guilty. Then the insanity racket was tried and worked successfully. He escaped the penitentiary to go to the asylum.

Since being at the asylum his condition had greatly improved and he was soon to have been released. While there he has seemed to be entirely at sea in regard to all his criminal actions at Wilmington. His mind, on that subject, was a blank. Superintendent Kirby says that his escape is probably a mad freak. But is there not method in his madness? Is he not afraid to face the music and return to Wilmington, where the majority of the people believe he is not insane and never was.

It is to be hoped he will be captured. There must have been great negligence at the asylum for him to have escaped at all.

Officers Elected.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Raleigh cotton mills held at the mayor's office yesterday the following officers were elected: C. G. Latta, president; C. E. Johnson, secretary and treasurer; H. B. Grayson, superintendent; directors, Julius Lewis, J. R. Chamberlain, Van B. Moore, V. C. Royster, W. G. Upchurch, W. J. Young, C. E. Johnson and A. A. Thompson.

It was also decided by a unanimous vote to double the size of the present building and put in additional machinery. To do this the capital stock was increased \$50,000. A 4 per cent semi-annual dividend has been declared, payable February 1.

Week of Prayer.

Foreign Missions, Thursday, January 10—Prayer; For all missionaries and missionary societies; for more laborers; the conversion of Jews, Mohammedans and heathens; that the war in the East may open new doors to the Gospel; that the African Rum Traffic may be suppressed (Luke xxiv. 45-58; Matt. xix, 36 38; Ps. xxii, 27 28.) Conducted by Rev. Eugene Daniel and Rev. J. L. Foster.

Extra bargains in furniture at Thomas & Maxwell. Bed lounges with detachable mattresses a specialty.

Five hundred dollars worth of Handkerchiefs disposed of in ten days is the best indication that styles are good and prices right. Some of the choicest patterns will be disposed of tonight and Monday.

C. A. SHERWOOD & CO.

Remember the new Photograph gallery January 12th, Saturday.

DOTS AND DASHES

MADE ABOUT TODAY'S HAPPENINGS.

Items Gathered in and Around the City.

Uncle Tom's Cabin tomorrow evening.

Mr. George Graham, of Hillsboro, is here.

Mr. C. L. McHenry, of Richmond, is in the city.

Mr. R. L. Patterson, of Durham, arrived this morning.

Theo. F. Klutz, Esq., a prominent Salisbury legal light, is here.

James Hannah was last evening tried before Mayor Badger and sent on to court.

Owing to a bad "wash out" near New Hill, the S. A. L. train was greatly delayed today.

Regular communication of Seaton Gales lodge, I. O. O. F. meets this evening at 7:30.

Mrs. George V. Strong, who has been unwell for a long time, is critically ill, it is understood.

The new weekly secret society paper, the Lodge, makes its appearance today and handsome in every respect.

It is understood that the confederate monument ball, mentioned a day or so ago, will take place week after next.

John Arrington, a colored man, was brought before mayor Badger this morning and fined \$5 for disorderly conduct.

The reception of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Roney which was to have been given last evening, will be held this evening at the residence of Mr. Pulaski Cowper.

Yesterday afternoon, at the Raleigh cotton mills, two operatives, Will Woodley and John Sasser, got into a fight. Sasser was cut slightly on the arm with a knife.

Who was the newspaper man who walked off with an umbrella last evening from the mayor's office, but was caught by the indignant owner before he made his escape?

It is strange that nearly every legislature that meets is afflicted with such horrible weather. It has been the case for years and this year is no exception to the rule.

Sensationalism will run riot in the court house next week. Perry and Wimberly are both to be tried and the man who does on awful disclosures will be on hand.

The Visitor today furnishes its readers with a full and concise summary of the governor's message. It is a good message and reflects credit on both the governor and the state.

Notwithstanding the rain, a very edifying service in connection with the "week of prayer" was held at the First Presbyterian church last evening. Remarks were made by Rev. J. L. Foster and Rev. Dr. Carter. Services tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Her many friends will be pained to hear that Mrs. J. F. Cordis is critically ill at her home on N. McDowell street. Her daughters, Mrs. J. C. Wagner, of Kinston, and Mrs. Geo. F. Hewitt, of Wilmington, are here at her bedside.

An alarm of fire was turned in last evening. The fire was in an old office belonging to Dr. Hill. A colored woman lived in the office but was absent at the time. The fire caught on the inside and completely gutted the office.

The press notices from the papers where Frank E. Grisworld's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" have shown speak in high terms of the performance and we believe our citizens will be well entertained should they attend the play.—Detroit (Mich.) Free Press.

Commissioner of agriculture Robinson is daily in receipt of numerous letters from northern and western people inquiring about almost every conceivable industry and every sort of farming. Today he received a letter from a northerner, inquiring "what is the best method to pursue in raising broomstraw."

After the rainy weather and after Saturday, January 12th, Messrs. Johnson & Smith will be prepared to supply you with as nice photographs as can be had.

THE MASONS.

The Grand Lodge Elects Officers.

The address before the grand lodge of Masons, at the capitol last evening by Justice Walter Clark, was a fine effort. He was introduced by E. F. Lambe, Esq. The address was of 21 minutes length and very able.

The officers of the grand lodge elected last night were: F. M. Mays, Wilson, grand master; R. J. Noble, Selma; Deputy grand master; Walter E. Moore, Jackson, senior grand warden; James A. Leach, Lexington, junior grand warden; John C. Drewry, grand secretary; Wm. Simpson, grand treasurer; J. M. Currin, Oxford, director Oxford orphan asylum, vice A. H. A. Williams.

The subscriptions to the new fund for the orphan asylum are now \$4,200. The grand lodge adjourns this evening.

SUPERIOR COURT.

A Summary of Today's Proceedings.

Court met this morning at 10 o'clock, ready to take up the Perry murder trial, which was set for today. The trial had to be postponed, however, as two important state witnesses failed to put in an appearance. They were Mrs. Bailey and Miss Bailey, wife and daughter of the murdered man. They were unable to reach here on account of the high water prevailing in the creeks between here and New Light. Here are today's proceedings in brief:

Motion for a new trial for Wm. Jackson, convicted of larceny. The grounds were newly discovered evidence; continued.

State vs Jas. McNeil, c. c. w., plead guilty, judgment reserved.

State vs Florence Tarrol and Hattie Powell, affray, plead guilty, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs Richard Lassiter, a. d. w., plead guilty, judgment, 9 months on raids.

State vs Stonewall Jackson, jury; not guilty.

Two Celebrated Artists.

The coming of two great artists, such as Mrs. Potter and Kyle Bellew, is an event sufficiently important to attract the undivided attention of the theatre-going public. Their engagement here January 13th at the academy of music should prove one of the principal events on the present season. They will be supported by an exceedingly strong company. There is no doubt that success is contagious and Mrs. Potter's present tour of this country has been a succession of triumphs.

Home Talent Next Week.

The Raleigh musical society will early next week give a public concert. The society, composed entirely of Raleigh people, has been practicing earnestly under direction of Mr. J. W. Bryant, Peace institute's brilliant instructor in music and Raleigh people who attend will be treated to a rare musical treat. Among the features of the concert will be solos by Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Chandler, whose delightful voices have been so enthusiastically received, and the double male quartette, which Raleigh rightly boasts is the best in the state.

Tried a Bold Game.

Last evening, as the sheriff was taking the prisoners from the court room to the jail, Jim Branch, a wife-beater, who had just been sentenced to two years on the road made an attempt to escape. Just as he reached the door he bolted for the steps but was caught by deputy Brooks. He then went quietly until he had gone down the steps and was near the front door, when, wrenching himself away from the officer who held him, he again tried to run. He had just gone about two steps, however, when deputy Walters and officer Oaks made a simultaneous "football tackle" and brought Branch to the floor. He was then again placed in jail and this morning left for his two year's sojourn on the roads.

The sheriff of Henderson county today brought one convict to the penitentiary; the sheriff of Franklin brought one.

Nagles Certain Cough Cure, and Hick's Fragrant Almonds guaranteed to cure or money returned. 25c. SWALLINE & HICKS, Druggists. Jan. 2 ly

THE LEGISLATURE

TODAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN BOTH BRANCHES.

Bills Introduced to Repeal County Government—The Message Read.

SENATE.

At 12 o'clock Lt. Gov. Doughton called the senate to order, and Rev. H. W. Norris, of Wake county, offered prayer. The rules of the last senate were adopted. Senators Rice, Hamrick and Adams were appointed the committee on rules.

Senator Abell of Johnston, introduced the first bill. It is to make 6 per cent the legal rate of interest.

Senator Mewborn introduced a bill, which under a suspension of the rules passed its readings, to repeal the act of 1893 which amended the charter of the farmers' alliance. Senator Mewboine, in reply to a query, said that the last legislature had tampered with the alliance charter and that this was to undo what it had done.

There was notice by Grant and Patterson of contest of the election of senators Aycock and Smith, of Wayne. Senator Cook said that as it seemed that the contestants had received a majority of the votes cast they should be seated, and made a motion to that effect, which was adopted, and Grant and Patterson were accordingly sworn in.

HOUSE.

The house met at noon, speaker Walsler in the chair, and the opening prayer was offered by Mr. Smith, member from Cleveland. The attendance in the lobbies and the gallery was smaller than on yesterday. Messrs. Duffy, of Onslow, and McLean, of Richmond, were sworn in as members.

At 11:30 private secretary Telfair appeared with Gov. Carr's message, a lengthy document of 75 typewritten pages, and its reading began at once.

Six hundred copies of the message were ordered. Notices were given of five contests for seats, from Pamlico, Halifax and Edgecombe.

Secretary of state Cook sent a letter to the speaker announcing that he was ready to exhibit all the bids for the public printing under the new law.

The first bills of the session were introduced. The chief of these were: By French, to repeal the present election law; by Ewart, to repeal the present county government law; by Winborne, to make 6 per cent the legal rate. Committees were announced as follows: Rules, French, chairman; privileges and obligations, Ewart, chairman.

A resolution was offered requiring the privileges and elections committee to ascertain whether or not the cases of contests are properly made up before they are investigated upon their merits.

To the Members of the Legislature.

If you desire to get a copy of the Visitor during the legislature it will be sent to your address for 25 cents a month. Leave your orders with Col. Fred A. Olds, reporter in the house, or Mr. Sherwood Haywood in the senate.

On Saturday January 12, and after, Messrs. Thos. B. Johnson & A. M. Smith will take charge of the Photograph Gallery now occupied by Mr. W. L. Moore and will be pleased to have their friends call to see them. Remember the date, January 12th and after.

Boarders Wanted.

Mrs. R. M. Utzman, corner of Dawson and Jones street will take a few members of the Legislature.

Fresh Norfolk oysters, birds and anything to eat at Jordan's dining hall, 130 Fayetteville street.

For Rent.

House No. 515 North Person street. Enquire of 96 J. C. WINDER.

For fresh fish and oysters daily, at low prices, go to W. H. Hicks, stall 13, city market.

Parties desiring board and lodging during the legislature can be accommodated at Jordan's dining hall, 130 Fayetteville street.

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AT ALL PRICES.

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Zephyr, 7 cents. Wool, 18 cents.

SLIPPER SOLES 25cts., at

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The Beautiful Snow calls for,

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- Gossamers, Mackintoshes,
- Stout Shoes, Rubbers,
- Umbrellas and Leggings,
- Blankets, Comforts and
- Lap Robes.

Beautiful -- Supply Popular Prices.

Wise buyers will keep their eyes ON US. It pays to trade with a concern up with the times which guarantees full satisfaction to the last letter. We seek to obtain no business which we are required to misrepresent. New, fresh and reliable goods constantly being received. No BUM stock in our store.

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ABOUT; HALF PRICE.

The warm weather before Christmas left us with about one hundred too many ladies' coats.

All new garments, styles absolutely correct.

We believe it better to sell now at these prices than to wait later and then accept a still greater loss.

Coats THAT \$15.00 WERE AND ARE NOW \$7.50 AND \$8.50.

Coats THAT \$20.00 WERE AND ARE NOW \$11.50 AND \$12.50.

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