RAVEN LODGE NO. 1 ENIGHTS
F HARMONY. Meets and and 4th
fednesday nights in each month in
countree's Hall, Pollock street, at 7.50
relock, Samuel B. Ball, Fresident; J.
I. Smith, Bec'y; R. E. Hr., Financial

Index to New Advertisements.

Strayed or Stolen. Found. New Bern Military Academy and Car-

lina Buriness College. Simmons & Hollowell Co—Half Price

G H Waters-A Happy New Year.

Business Locals.

STRAYED or Stolen-From 21 Han cock street, on or 5about Dec 1, a large cat, white with yellow spots on head and back, answers to the name of "Longie." For his return to 17 Metcalf street or for any information concerning his whereabouts, a large reward will be given.

FOUND-A Bunch 6 or 8 keys, awaits owner, this office, by proving property and paying for this notice.

FOR SALE-Transfer, horse and harness. Good order \$75.00 cash. 23 Craven St. Paint Shop.

LOST-Dark gray pointer dog, black ears, has collar on. Reward for return to R B Blalock.

TO RENT-The house lately occupied by T W Dewey is for rent. For terms and particulars address or call on T F McCarthy.

STRAYED or Stolen from pen late Mon day night, one black pig, weighing about 70 pounds. Liberal reward, 894 Middle St. John L Potter.

SINGER Mfg. Co. just received Boat load Golden Oak Machines, just the thing for Christmas Presents, call at once to 85 Middle St.

LOST-On Middle street between the telephone exchange and the Catholic church, a small, open face, silver watch. Finder will please return to the Jour-

WANTED-Six Good Carpenters to go to work next Monday morning, December 28th. Apply W, A. Cullen, Construction Company, 53 Craven St.

GO to the white shaving parlor No 86 Middle street, for stylish hair cut and easy shave, all work guaranteed or money refunded. We will continue our low prices until 1904. H W Jewell, Prop.

STEAMER BLANCHE, will not sail again until Friday January, 1st on account of holidays.

LOST-Ladies open face silver watch on Pollock or Broad streets. Finder please return to the Oaks Market.

LABORERS WANTED-We will give emyloyment to four or five good men at at our plant at Core Creek, N C. Enquire at office over Bradham's Drug Store. EASTERN ARM & PIN CO.

FOR BALE-Horse, buggy and harness, in good order, price \$75; if sold before Christmas. A Bargain, apply to C W Shaw, No 5 New South Front St.

NICE fat Chickens, fine Steaks, and Pork Sausages, 12-jots per pound at Henry Bryans Queen street, near de-

THE yery finest Oysters of the season at James B Dawson's, 108 Middle St, Phone 200. Served in any style or to families by measure.

OWEN H. GUION. Attorney at Law, announces that until his new office build ing on Broad street is completed, he will occupy offices on the first floor of brick building, opposite the City Hall.

GUARANTEED Sugar Cured Hams at 15 ots lb at the Oaks Market.

BOOK-KEEPER, Stenographer and type-writer. Competent young lady desires situation. Neat, prompt and industrious. Call on or address, M., No. 24 Johnson St.

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MISS NANNIE P. STREET, Insurance Enclusively. Prompt attention.

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CHOICE ROLLS OF

Guilford Lewis At Dawson's 108, Middle St.,

AROUND AND ABOUT.

Evangelist W P Fife will preach in 55 Peter's M E Church, colored, tonight at salf past seven. Mr Lonnie Bell has returned to 1

dly and has resumed his former pos in J B Dawson's store Those interested will bear in mind that during this week, it being the holi-days the banks will close each day at 12

Interesting Christmas services were held at the Methodist Chapel on Policek street Friday night. There was a Christ mas tree and brief musical and literary exercises which were highly enjoyed by

The city presented each of her police officers with a handsome new regulation cap for a Christmas present. The officers were greatly pleased with their new headgear, which by the way is quite becoming to them,

The Sunday School of the Christian Church had a Christmas tree and appropriate exercises Friday night. An inter esting program consisting of music and recitations was given. All had a very enjoyable time.

The criminal docket was surprisingly small yesterday for the day after Ohristmss. Only three cases were cited and one of them was continued. Thomas Galloway was bound over to court for assault with deadly weapon under \$50 bond; Sam Scott, disorderly, was suspended.

There was a change in the temperature yesterday that would have done credit to a lightning change artist. In the morning the mercury was in the fifties and in the evening it had got down in the twenties. A sharp north west wind arose in the morning. The cold wave flag was holsted at noon and advices from different parts of the country indicate that the cold is general and very scyere.

With the coming of the new year there re many improvements projected for New Bern that will employ all the labor here and no doubt attract people seek ing work, from other places. These people will need homes, and at this time there is hardly a vacant house in town If some enterprising capitalist would buy up some old field on the edge of town and build a lot of neat little house to rent for five to eight dollars a month t might prove to be a very profitable investment for that capitalist.

An Evening Reception.

Mrs G B Waters entertained a numbe of her friends at a very pleasant recep tion last Tuesday evening. Delicious refreshments were served, and all pres ent had a most enjoyable time.

The following ladies and gentlemen vere present: Mr and Mrs Geo A Nicoll, Mr and Mrs E W Rosenthal.

Mr and Mrs Thos Moore, Mr and Mrs S M Brinson. Mrs Thos D Carraway, Misses Bradord Hyman, Sadie Eaton, Elms Fife, Mattle E Clark; Agnes Foy, Mesars J S Wahab, Percy S Cox, Jas Mitchell, Samuel B Waters, Edward Clark.

Harris-Parkinson Co.

The Harris-Parkinson Company which closed a week's engagement at the opera house did a fairly good show business. A business in large proportion to the merits of the company. The holiday week is poor for any theatre concern for every one is too busy to go to the show. Those who went were not altogether pleased with the performances but there were some good features about them. The company lacks a good come-

Friday night the company played "The Little Minister,", one of Maud Adam's successes. The play is the best of the repertoire, performed the best by the company and enjoyed the most by the audience. Robert Harris, the leading man, supports his character admirably and Marie Latour as Lady Babble was excellent.

Christmas Birthday Party.

Master Albert Marks, the son of Mr M M Marks entertained fifty-two of his boy and girl friends at a very pleasant birthday and Ohris mas party on Priday The principal feature was a fine Christ-mas tree which was loaded with all cotts of good things. The house was prettlly decorated for the occasion and all had a merry time.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr O Marks is in New York on bust

Mr G N Ennett spent Christmas with relatives in Cedar Point.

Miss Lucille Rishton is spending the colidays with relatives at Payetteville. Mr G E Chariton, of Norfolk, is the guest of relatives and friends in the

Mr G A Barfoot went to Wilson Friday night to spend a few days with rela-

Mr and Mrs C H Hall of Jacksonville are the holiday guests of friends and

Misses Leah D Jones and Mary Jones of the State Normal school at Greens-sero are visitors at their home.

Mrs Richard Hancock returned fro Baltim-re Friday where the has been attending her daughter, Mrs Jennings of Berlin. Cormany, who has been a patient in the John's Hopkins hospital. Mrs Jennings returned with her.

Notice to Shippers.

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hree Hundred Poor Children Rade Hap py by the Elks.

he New Barn Lodge of Benerol Protestive Order of Elka Ro. ill live in the memories of many of the sich they were the hosts at the Court house Friday noon. The Christmas tree which they had for the beneat of the poor white children was a beautiful and impressive sight and demonstrated better than anything size could the unselfishness and charity of that organization. It was a practical application of that beautiful precept: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

In accordance with the announce-ments made during the week a handsome Christmas tree of the holly variety was placed in the court room, illumina-ted with candles and hung with presents and goodies to delight the hearts of the

Inside the bar, in the galleries and in the auditorium many interested speciators witnessed the proceedings and became imbued with the delight and enthusiasm of which the little ones were

Riel's orchestra, of Wilson, whose mu sic has so often charmed audiences here and whose reputation is wide were present and added much to the pleasure of

Mr Tom Daniels presided. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev H S Bradshaw, and Mr D L Ward made a few appropriate remarks of wel-

The appearance of Santa Claus was the signal for an uproarious shout of welcome by the guests of honor. Mr James B Dawson, who is fitted by nature to assume the role of that pleasing personage and he did ample justice to the character. He went through the house shaking hands and greeting the little people whose fears that there was no Santa Claus-if they ever had any, were dispelled for the time being.

The children were put in line and led procession past the tree and were handed their presents by the committee omposed of Messrs M M Marks, John H Weddell, J B Benton, J Guion Dunn. EW Rosenthal, Ernest Green, and T G Hyman. The members were ably assisted by their wives. The little folks were loaded with as much as they could carry and in many cases had to be assisted on their way out. That the children were surprised and delighted was shown by the expression on their faces as they passed along the row and kept receiving something almost every step they took. It is believed that fully three hundred children enjoyed this

splendid generosity of the Elks. After the children had been served i was found that there was considerable left and some of the older people were in vited to join the procession and they too knew from a practical point of view how

good the Elks are. This was the second annual occasion of the kind under the suspices of the order and it is understood that it is an established custom. It is a gracious act and one which will go far to in-Many there are in the city, who say, God bless the Elks.

The Christmas Dance.

On Christmas night a very pretty dance was given in the Planters Building and it was one that surpassed any of its kind for some years' passed. Every one present just seemed to have Christ-mas in their "bones" and the evening was most thoroughly enjoyed by all.
The music furnished by Reil's Orches-

tra for the occasion began at ten o'clock and at two o'clock "Home Sweet Home" was played. During the intermissious the Orchestra played "Violets," "Non-e Ver-e" and other serenades which added much to the pleasure of the evening. The Dance was chaperoned by Mrs Della Whitford, Mrs Windley, Mr and Mrs Latham, Mr and Mrs Rawlings.

Those dancing were: Mr Mark Stevenson, Leader. Miss Elizabeth Ellis with Edward

Miss Elizabeth Burrus with William Miss Rebecca Street with Adolph

Miss Annie Foy with Albert Wi

Miss Sophis Whitford with Alphous Miss Margaret Trapler with Frank

Miss Addle Claypoole with Sam

Miss Octave Hughes with Mr Gilman Balto , Md. Miss Rossell of New York with Rich

Miss Aunio Stevenson with James

Miss Bettie Windley with Jones Wa

Miss Mary Emma Street with Renes Mr and Mrs J Gulon Dunn, Mr and

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Waltman's Candlet, more better, for pound. Facksiges from Sc to \$1.56 sels. Duffy's Pharmary.

Lorge and varied nametizant of phy-cus fo in this meds. A very larger streams of the pipes. Daily's Pa-

HOW THE DAT PASSED.

thing Doing But Everybody had a Very

Ohristmas passed in How Bern with-it may sensational event. It was the cost quiet that has been known here for many years. The regular Fearth of July feature made plenty of noise but even that was not up to the standard. There was little disturbance on account of drunkenness as the police record will now. Chief Hergett reports it the nost peaceable holiday within his re-

A warm rain characterized the weather and made it a disagreeable day to be out doors. In this respect the day was unusual too, as the temperature was higher than has been experienced for veral years.

There were several family parties and many went away to spend Ohristmas. Nearly all the students in colleges and ies came home to pass the vacaion beneath the parental roof tree. The Elks kept open house and enter tained a large number of their friends in the own generous and hospitable fashion. The reception was held in the

odge room.

The Episcopal and Catholic churches held services as usual. The music was the deporations beauespecially fine and the decorations beau-tiful.

The attendance at the matines at the pera house was light on account of the venther, but at the evening performance the house was crowded.

Bender-Weeks Marriage. Wards Mill, Dec. 25-On Dec. 28, at o'clock p m, at the residence of the bride, at Cedar Point, Carteret county Mr Ralph Bender and Miss Emms Weeks were united in the holy bonds of wedlock by Rev. C E Edwards of Swans

The ushers on this occasion were Mr Orin Weeks and Dr O J Bender, Mr J B Bender and Miss Igesa Jones were the

The happy couple were the recipients of many pretty and costly presents. They left for their future home at Maple Grove, New River on Thursday

May their lives ever be as bright and lovely as the day their marriage was,

At Hotel Hazelton.

The guests of Hotel Hazelton enjoyed the following extended bill of fare for their Christmas dinner. The bill of fare shows what this hotel can do for its pat-

BILL OF FARE.

Oysters on the Half Shell Consomme Royal Mock Turtle

Baked Sea Trout with Newberry Sauce

Pickles Chicken Salad on Lettuce Leaves Turkey Pinion Rissoto a la Princees Little Pige in Blanke to

Nottoway Turkey with Chestnut Dressing Roast Prime Ribs of Beef Roast Pork

Green Pers Candied Yams String Beans Snowdrift Potatoes English Plum Pudding

with Hard Sauce Ples Apple Pineapple Cocoanut Velvet Jelly with Whipped Cream Egg Nog

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Crackers and Cheese CASTORIA. Chat H. Hetcher

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Bank Notice.

Next week the National Bank and Oitiners Bank will be open for business only during the morning hours, closin only during the morning hours, closing at noon. Friday and Saturday, January 1st and 2nd they will be closed all day. Persons doing business with the banks are urged to bear this in mind and arrange their affairs with the banks on Thursday Dec 31, before 12 o'clock noon.

First National Bank. Citizens Bank.

Pension Notice !

State Pensioners who belonged to the 17th and 65th Regiment M. C. Troops, whose names were stricken from the Pension Hell, are hereby informed that hey have been reinstated, and that their backs are now at the Clerks Office andy for delivery when called for.

I will send them to you if you farnish

The Annual Routing of Stockholders

of the National Bank.

or the election of the Directors and the mail p.m. O. H. MOUERTS.

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Malliard's Candy—Fresh supply just received, Perfumery—Roger & Gillets, Spiehler's, Sole Agency for

and Cases, Purses, Bill Books,

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vidual boxes. Beautiful Neckwear, Silk, Umbrellas, Silk or Linen Handkerchiefs,

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> 25c Pieces 124c. 150 Pieces 750.

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AND A Prosperous

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Mincerely,

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