

## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

**Y**OUR income is the only support of your family. What would you do, if it should be stopped by sickness or some other trouble? Well, you are reasonably sure that it will stop some time. Did you ever think what you would do then? Why not begin preparation for the day when the income may stop by saving just a little from what you have now?

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## DISASTROUS FIRES VISIT NEW BERN

First Alarm Turned In at Early Morn. Other Late at Night. Loss Falls Heavily on Owners.

Sunday New Bern was visited by two very disastrous fires. The first alarm was turned in shortly after 6 o'clock and called the firemen out to South Front street to extinguish a blaze which had originated in a small dwelling house owned by Mr. W. F. Hill. The flames had gained so much headway before the alarm had been turned in that it was seen from the first that there was no possible chance to save the building and the fire fighters confined their efforts to saving the adjoining buildings. These however were all frame buildings and before the fire had died down nine of the buildings owned by Mr. Hill and which were valued at about \$2,000 were in ashes. The Coca Cola factory and a large quantity of wood owned by Mr. Hill was also destroyed. The total loss will aggregate \$5,000 with no insurance.

At 10:25 Sunday night fire was discovered in the residence formerly owned by Mr. J. F. Taylor on National Avenue and which the time was occupied by Mr. E. L. Marshall. Here again the fire fighters did heroic work but all to no avail as the flames had gained so much headway that it was impossible to extinguish them before the building and all its contents were consumed. From the Taylor residence the fire spread to Mr. J. O. Baxter's new residence and in a short while this was a mass of charred wood and ash. From this the flames spread to Mr. Henry Epling's home and in a short while this beautiful residence was soon a mass of ruins.

The Taylor residence was valued at about \$8,000 with \$7,000 insurance. Mr. Baxter's residence was valued at \$3,500 with \$2,000 insurance. Mr. Epling's home and furniture was valued at \$5,000 and he carried \$3,500 insurance.

### WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you at Druggist, Price 50c. Williams' Mfg. Co., Props., Cleveland, O.

### Miss Bessie Burkheimer Pleas Charlotte Audience.

Many friends of Miss Bessie Burkheimer in New Bern, where she formerly resided, will be interested and pleased to know that her latest production "The Girl Who Dared," a musical comedy, scored a big hit with Charlotte audience Monday and Tuesday nights. The Charlotte Observer Tuesday morning had the following to say of the production as presented the night before in that city:

A more delighted audience has not attended a play this season than that which left the Academy of Music last night at the conclusion of Miss Bessie Burkheimer's musical comedy, "The Girl Who Dared." The only sense in which those who did not attend are fortunate is that they yet may enjoy the privilege of seeing it tonight for the first time. A number expressed their intentions of going a second time.

### FOR SALE

Three shares New Bern Banking & Trust Company's stock, your best offer. Apply to P. O. Box 152.

## FOURTEEN YEARS CROOKED

Denmark's Former Minister of Justice Gets Eight Years Sentence.

Copenhagen, Dec. 19.—Former Minister of Justice Albert has been sentenced to eight years in prison and to a fine of \$4,000,000 to repay part of the many millions of which he robbed the people during his 14 years' career as a banker, broker and Minister of Justice. Albert's thefts are the biggest in Denmark's history and involved thousands of prisoners, including scores of the most prominent financiers in the country and even the King himself. Hundreds of poor people were ruined through his crookedness.

An Minister of Justice, Albert got through many frauds against the Government, which were not discovered until two years ago, at which time he was arrested. It is generally believed that Albert has many millions hidden away.

Fine Christmas Stationery  
M. E. Whitehurst & Co.

## CONGRESSMAN THOMAS' ADDRESS

Before North Carolina Society of Baltimore Delights His Hearers.

(Baltimore Sun, 18th)

Congressman Charles B. Thomas, of New Bern, N. C., in his address before the North Carolina Society of Baltimore Friday night gave some facts that delighted the natives of that state who now reside in this city. The educational movement, started less than twenty years ago, has resulted in the erection of large (normal), industrial and agricultural colleges for both men and women, expansion of the State University and the dozen denominational colleges, and one modern public school house is now being built for every day in the year. From 1890 to 1905, the census figures show, the wealth of the South increased \$1,000,000,000, and of this increase \$137,000,000 was in North Carolina, being exceeded only by Texas. The State now raises nearly 700,000 bales of cotton a year, and her more than 800 mills consume thousands of bales raised in other sections. The remarkable development of the manufacture of cotton, tobacco and furniture has been accomplished largely with home capital, and nearly all the factories are owned by local investors.

The immense water power generated by the rapid fall of many streams as they run from the mountains to the sea is now being developed. This is estimated at 3,500,000 horsepower. Congressman Thomas predicts that this water power will in time transform it into one of the greatest manufacturing sections of the Union.

The census statistics prove that in nearly every Eastern State which shows a notable growth in population, the increase has been largely due to the immigration of foreigners. This is not so in North Carolina, which has fewer foreigners than any other state, practically its entire population being of native birth. She has furnished many thousands of good citizens to other states, especially to the cities of the North and the new Commonwealths of the Union, and yet in ten years has added 332,277 to her own population, which is evidence enough that the North Carolinians are prolific as well as enterprising. It is a country of homes and of big families, a state with no big city but plenty of lively towns, a Commonwealth peopled by sturdy, patriotic Americans, who hold to the "faith of the fathers," and who are showing what the Southern people can do with their own resources on their own soil.

### Rheumatism Relieved in Six Hours

Dr. Dutchon's relief for Rheumatism usually relieves severest cases in a few hours. Its action upon the system is remarkable and effective. It removes at once the cause and the disease quickly disappears. First dose greatly benefits. 75c and \$1.00. Sold by Bradham Drug Co.

### Epworth League Will Give Donation Party.

The president of the Epworth League of Centenary church urges every member to ask all their friends to bring or send a donation of confectionery to the league rooms tonight at 8:30, for the poor children of New Bern. Remember the date and cause.

The Epworth League members has issued the following invitation to the young people of New Bern:

The Epworth League with greetings most hearty.

Invites you to attend a "Donation Party."

On Tuesday evening at half-past eight, Remember the hour—and don't be late. Candy, Nuts, Fruits and Cake.

These a good "donation" will make. Why this do you ask?

To answer that is an easy task. 'Tis simply this and nothing more—That we may gladden the hearts of God's poor.

By carrying to them some good things to eat.

And on this Christmas give them a treat.

Miss Armstrong, Third vice-President has arranged a very interesting and appropriate program, for the social to be held in the reception hall at Centenary church tonight.

A pleasant evening is promised to all who attend. Come out and make yourselves happy by aiding a worthy cause.

"If it is impossible for you to attend, why not send a confectionery donation by a friend?"

From One of New Bern's Best Known People.

Having used Swedish freely according to directions in my family, I can assure it the best remedy I have ever tried for rheumatism, for cold in the head, throat and chest, for rheumatism, for sciatica, neuralgia and catarrh. After a two year trial I recommend "Swedish" to all who suffer from any of the above conditions.

Swedish, J. C. Bradham, New Bern, N. C.

## FALLS OVERBOARD AND IS DROWNED

Base Nelson Loses His Life While Engaged in Repairing Boat. Bottle of Whiskey in His Pocket.

An over indulgence in too much whiskey very likely caused the death of Mr. Base Nelson who fell overboard and was drowned at Taylor's dock yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Nelson, who was a carpenter by trade, and had been engaged in repairing a small boat which was anchored at that place. During the early part of the day he had been drinking a great deal, and several of his friends had warned him to be careful not to fall overboard. He heeded at the idea and told them that he was capable of taking care of himself and went about his work.

In some way he became overbalanced while he attempting to walk around on the side of the boat and fell into the water which is about ten feet deep at this point. One or two persons saw him fall and rushed to his assistance but before he could be rescued life was extinct and all efforts to resuscitate him proved futile.

Mr. Nelson lived on National Avenue and is survived by his wife and two small children.

### Christmas Cards and Bocklets at M. E. Whitehurst & Co.

### Married in Speeding Automobile

Bristol, Penn., Dec. 18.—Thomas Jones Llewellyn of the Department of Commerce and Labor at Washington, and Mrs. Lucinda Hayes of Fayetteville, Tenn., were married here today by Rev. J. Randall Harris of Bristol, while the party was speeding at a rate of nearly a mile a minute in an automobile. The couple were childhood friends at Hastings, Neb.

### The War Bugaboo.

General Fred Grant says that we need a million men at once to defend our coasts and borders and that in case of war the enemy would be on us with a jump. Let us see. The Canadians might rush over the border, but they don't want to; they are too busy with other things. The Mexicans don't want to either, and if they did the Texans wouldn't let them. The Japanese if left alone might get a sufficient army across in three years, but then their soldiers would grow homesick. The Germans wouldn't let the English, and the English wouldn't let the Germans and The Hague Tribunal wouldn't let the others. Merry Christmas in coming and Santa Claus has no use for war scares.—N. Y. World.

### A Christmas Carol.

This year it will not be necessary, for you to go to a music store and pay a high price for the Christmas Song to be sung as a prominent part of celebrating this great day of rejoicing.

Realizing the great public demand for an Xmas song of this kind, arrangements have been made to give, free, the words and music of a beautiful Christmas Carol with every copy of next Sunday's New York World.

Because of its great demand YOUR copy of next Sunday's World should be ordered in advance.

Hammered Brass 20 per cent Reduction. M. E. Whitehurst & Co.

## NEGRO BOY BREAKS NECK

Falls into Unused Well And is Almost Instantly Killed. Was Very Young.

Shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning Robert Dewey, an 8 year old colored boy, fell into an unused well at his home on Queen street and when he was rescued a few minutes later his life was extinct.

The boy had been playing in the yard during the early part of the day and his mother had cautioned him to beware of the old well. Regardless of her warning he climbed up on the wood work that covered its top and in some way fell through the hole through which the well bucket passed.

His mother missed him a few minutes after the accident occurred and at once thought of her warning. Rushing out to the well she peeped in and discovered the body of her son.

Pocket Knives in Individual Christmas Boxes—M. E. Whitehurst & Co.

## The Peoples Bank

NEW BERN, N. C.

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THE USUAL CHRISTMAS PROBLEM

of selecting gifts that are within one's means and at the same time appropriate is again confronting most people. Welcome as the coming of Christmas is, its approach brings to many, along with joyful anticipation, a perplexity in choosing of presents. You can relieve yourself of this worry if you follow the custom which in recent years has become most popular, that of giving bank books which show that accounts have been opened in the bank for relatives or friends. We invite you to open accounts with \$1.00 or as much more as you wish to give. The books (enclosed in special holiday envelopes) will be made out in the names you give us. Further information will gladly be furnished upon request.

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The most appreciative gift you can give to any member of the family, either male or female.

FIVE DAYS TO DO CHRISTMAS SHOPPING  
The Store of Useful Gifts.

## J. J. BAXTER

DEPT. STORE ELKS TEMPLE



## BIG AND LITTLE CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

are to be filled this year and the best place to find the Christmas offerings and gifts to supply them is at Barrington's.

We have just received direct from the manufacturer the nicest line of Ladies Silk Hosiery at 10c you ever saw, also a better quality at \$1.00. These are best values, we have a fine line of three for a dollar, in black which comes three pairs in a nice Christmas box, a nice present for your mother or sister. Don't forget our line of all Leather Bags, they are wonders. Now in the line of Handkerchiefs, we just simply defy competition. We sell you Linen Handkerchiefs at 5 and 10c, but we sell you a better all pure linen one for 15c that you can't duplicate for less than 25c elsewhere. We have other things you can get cheaper and if you do not come to see it will be your fault. We buy this space to tell you about these bargains and will be glad to show them to you. Have you seen that elegant line of Muslin Underwear? after it is all gone and your friends tell you about it, you will wish you had. A full line of ladies and childrens Kid Gloves.

## WATCH THIS SPACE

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JUST TIME ENOUGH NOW TO GET YOUR ENGRAVED VISITING CARDS BEFORE CHRISTMAS WE HAVE YOUR PLATE

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Full stock of Loaded Shells, Guns, Pistols, Rifles, Cartridges, Hunting Clothing, Razors, Pocket Knives, Foot Balls, Punching Bags, Boxing Gloves, Roller Skates, Edison Phonographs Records, Bicycles, Etc.

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### A CHRISTMAS CALL BY SANTA CLAUS

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