

**NEW BERN BANKING & TRUST COMPANY**  
CAPITAL \$200,000.00

**GUARDIANS FOR MINORS.**

THIS company has authority to act as guardian for minor children, affording unquestioned security for the safe and accurate handling of money or property by reason of its large capital fund and resources. Its officers are experienced in all matters relating to guardianships, either by court appointment or by the terms of Wills.

**CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS COR-DIALLY INVITED.**

**4% PAID ON SAVINGS**

## LOOKS LIKE DELIBERATE CHRISTMAS HOMICIDE

**Terrible Affair Last Night. Will Avery Killed. Baker Bryan Locked up in The County Jail Charged With Shooting.**

It seemed that Christmas day was not to pass peacefully, though it was near the close, 11 o'clock last night, when word was sent down to police headquarters that a murder had been committed in the vicinity of West and Cedar Sts. Chief Lupton acted promptly and upon investigation the following was revealed: It appears that Will Avery, a young white man 23 years of age and employed by the Norfolk-Southern as engineer in the yards here, son of Mr. Ferney Avery, with some others, was on West street last night about 11 p. m. when Baker Bryan pushed his way through the crowd, and with an oath drew a pistol and almost point blank fired at Avery, the ball piercing the young man just above heart, causing almost instant death. Two witnesses giving their names as Morgan Shaw and J. L. Collette declared Bryan shot as above stated. Search was made for Bryan who was found in a house nearby, lying down. He was arrested and sent to the county jail about midnight, pending examination. Bryan is alleged to have said he was only celebrating and did not know the pistol was loaded.

### Pictures—Great Assortment.

You can buy at your own price, as pictures are not selling fast since so many people have their own special subjects framed. Anything in the picture line at cost, will show you the bill to prove to you if you want to see it.

J. S. MILLER,  
The Furniture Man.

### POSTAL CLERKS DESERVE PRAISE

For Their Excellent Work During the Past Week. Every Package Delivered On Time.

Among those in this city who are glad that Christmas 1911 is a thing of the past none will be found who are more delighted than the clerks and carriers in the local post office. For the past two weeks they have been taxed to their utmost capacity in handling the enormous quantities of mail which has been received at and sent through this office. All along they worked diligently and succeeded in giving the people of New Bern the best of service. Saturday an extra man was added to the force and yesterday morning the last Christmas package which had arrived up to that time, was delivered and the entire force drew a sigh of relief. Of course the mail will be heavier than usual during the next day or two but nothing like that of Saturday and Sunday and can easily be handled by the regular force. The postal report for the month will be issued within a few days and will show what the receipts for the present month have been.

Ladies, better put a new coat of paint on that room where Santa Claus visits.

J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co.

### WASHINGTON TAKES ANOTHER GAME

Hundreds Witnessed Exciting Football Game Between New Bern and Washington. Score 19 to 1 In Favor of Washington.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Washington's large number of football enthusiasts turned out in full force this afternoon to witness the game between the local team and the New Bern football team. The weather was ideal for playing and both teams were in fine form. Promptly at 2:30 the game was begun. In the first quarter Washington made one touch down and in the second quarter another touchdown was made by them. New Bern made one touchback in the second quarter. Both teams worked hard and there were a number of football plays. On New Year's day the two teams will play in New Bern and the present indications are that it will be one of the hardest fought games of the season. The New Bern team will return home tomorrow morning.

## A PROMINENT CITIZEN PASSES

Death of John J. Wolfenden at His Home in N. W. Bern.

At his home Christmas morning at 4:30 o'clock surrounded by devoted wife and daughters, there passed into the beyond, the spirit of John J. Wolfenden, a husband and father, true and devoted, a citizen ever public spirited, a Confederate Veteran, whose services were ever at the command of his fellow veterans, to help or to greet in glad acclaim as brother. Positive, vigorous, yet of the kindest heart, John J. Wolfenden fought life's battles as became a man of his spirit. Adversity did not hold him, prosperity did not change his course or friendships. Few citizens of New Bern have been as generous without ostentation as was John Wolfenden. His friends were everywhere, and he was a good friend to those who in need sought his aid. His contributions were wide spread because no one feared to ask him. Particularly to Confederate Veterans was his heart ever open, and to the Daughters was he always a generous and sympathetic helper. In the public offices to which elected, he sought to work for the best interests of the community. In the Knights of Harmony, he served faithfully and for the advancement of the Order.

Mr. Wolfenden was 67 years old. He leaves a wife, two daughters, Mrs. J. L. Hartfield, Mrs. George Duffy. A brother Mr. Fred Wolfenden of Chocoma, N. C. a sister, Mrs. H. M. Barber, of Detroit. The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at Centenary Methodist Church.

### BOX RENT NOW DUE.

Box renters will please take notice that Box Rents are now due and it not paid on or before January 1st the regulations require that your box be closed.

J. S. BASNIGHT, P. M.  
Dec. 21st, 1911.

### ELKS MAKE MANY GLAD

Large Number of Children Entertained by Them At The Athens Yesterday Afternoon.

The local lodge of Elks delightfully entertained the needy children of the city yesterday afternoon at the Athens theatre. During last week tickets were given to all who made application for them, and when the hour arrived for the beginning of the performance every one of the tickets had been presented at the door, and many who had no tickets were admitted.

The first thing on the program was the regular moving picture and vaudeville show. At the conclusion of this Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed his gifts. Each of the little guests receiving a present, and it was easily seen by all that the recipients were delighted with their gifts. The occasion was one that will long linger in the memory of those who were present.

### Xmas Gifts.

I have never had such a beautiful assortment of useful articles to select from. Visit our stores and look over the different articles and I am sure you will be convinced.

J. S. MILLER,  
The Furniture Man.

### POLICE MAKE FEW ARRESTS

Yesterday Very Quiet in Police Circles. A Few Intoxicated Celebrators Locked Up.

Although the local police were kept exceedingly busy yesterday watching to see that no one became too boisterous or endangered the lives of any one else, they made but few arrests.

A few inebriated too freely of liquid refreshments and were placed in the city lock-up to sober up but were released as soon as they were able to navigate.

Today all of those arrested since Saturday afternoon will be lined up before Mayor McCarthy and allowed to relate their story. As is usually the case at this season, these offenders, unless they have been utterly disorderly or some serious charge is entered against them, will be allowed to pay the costs and discharge from custody.

Are you satisfied with your cook stove? See Bucks line of Stoves and Ranges at J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co.

# Watch This Space

**S. Coplon & Son**  
SELLS IT FOR LESS

LITTLE OUT OF THE WAY, BUT IT PAYS TO WALK TO COPLON'S

**CHRISTMAS LUMBER,**

especially if it's pine for holiday building, should be carefully selected and Broaddus & Ives is the proper place to buy such pine. Our rail yard carries the largest stock of pine, in all sizes and grades, to be found in the entire state. We retail at wholesale prices.

**Broaddus & Ives Lumber Co.**

FOR SALE

**AUTOMOBILE**

GOOD CONDITION

**ENNETT'S BOOK STORE**

**WE SOLICIT YOUR TRADE**

on all kinds of coal—for heating and cooking in the house, for the furnace in shop or store, for steam engine purposes in factory or mill, fully confident of the quality of our fuel, its cleanliness and our facilities for prompt delivery. We will appreciate a trial order.

**Ellis Coal and Wood Yard**

PHONE 47 — UNION POINT

### Christmas Tree at Parish House.

This evening at 5:30 o'clock Christ Episcopal Church Sunday school will have its Christmas tree, at the Parish House.

### Notice—Watch This.

A brand spankling new 8 room house, toilet and bath, modern and up to date and an automobile house, all to rent or lease at No. 22 New street. See Big Hill, the man who sells Shingles for less, and the only Shingle man.

**BIG HILL.**

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This evening at 5:30 o'clock Christ Episcopal Church Sunday school will have its Christmas tree, at the Parish House.

### Our Heaters will put that chilly feeling to route.

J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co.



**A Gas Heater that Pleases the Eye and Comforts the Body**



**The Vulcan Odorless Gas Heater**

When this heater is in operation, the inner cone becomes red hot and its brilliant incandescence is most pleasing. All of the heat is delivered at the floor level, heating the lower part of the room first.

Guaranteed Odorless No Dry, Stuffy Feeling

**4% INTEREST ON SAVINGS 4%**

**A GIFT THAT WILL PLEASE.**

If you wish to remember a boy or girl at Christmas time in an especially appropriate manner, open a savings account in his or her name with this strong bank.

The bank book showing that money has been deposited in the bank for the boy or girl will be sure to please—it will be appreciated and prized.

You can open a savings account with \$1.00 or as much more as you may wish to give.

**THE PEOPLES BANK**  
NEW BERN, N. C.  
STRONG, COURTEOUS, PROGRESSIVE

**A MERRY XMAS TO ALL**

We have a present for every body, at a price lower than you can buy them anywhere else in town. A big line of Neckwear that should have been here sooner will be sold at reduced prices.

Thousands of Good Things Reduced.

**J. J. BAXTER**  
ELKS TEMPLE DEPT STORE.

**You Don't Buy a Stove**

every month, so that when you do buy, you want to look around a little and see where you can get the greatest satisfaction for your money. We have a great line of Stoves here and we can suit any pocket-book with our prices.

**Gaskill Hardware Co.**  
SOLE AGENTS FOR MAJESTIC RANGES  
PHONE 147 73 MIDDLE ST.

**HOLIDAY GIFTS**

of special merit for women, the things that women appreciate above every thing else are practical gifts of things for everyday use—things that she would buy her self.

And then too, you raise her opinion of you just another bit higher when you present her with things practical and something sensible—something she would buy for her self.

Every time she wears the Scarf, the Skirt, or the Hose, or the Dress, or the Gloves, or the Waist, or the Furs, or the Bath Robe, or the Night Robe, or any other kind of a Robe, she thinks of you. Every time some friend speaks a word of admiration for the gift you made her, it brings a happy recollection of you.

**ALL OF THESE THINGS YOU WILL FIND AT**

**J. M. MITCHELL & CO.**  
54 POLLOCK ST. PHONE 300