

SEIZED THE SOMNAMBULIST.

A Plucky Copper and His Experience With a Sleeper.

An incident in which a policeman and a young man resides in one of a row of brick houses on a populous residence street in the First Police Precinct were the principal actors, and which came near producing a ghost story rivaling the famous one which stirred East Washington several years ago, occurred in the still hours of the after midnight watch one night last week. The young man is still regarded with suspicion by his neighbors, and the policeman has barely recovered from the shock the affair gave him.

The young man is a somnambulist. He has frequently been caught in the halls, parading up and down, clad only in a night shirt, and carrying pitchers of water around, but until the other night his slumbering fancy had never led him out of doors. On that occasion he must have been more than usually restless, for he arose from his bed about 1 o'clock in the morning, and sallied forth. It was a cold night, but the chill had no effect on him, and he walked slowly up and down the street, his robe de nuit flapping, ghost like enough, in the breeze.

The policeman who figures in the tale had just turned in at the patrol box and was walking down the street when he saw the figure ahead of him. His first impulse was to jump behind a tree box and about for help, but wiser ideas prevailed. The thought of a ghost gave way before the more probable one of an escaped lunatic, and bracing himself for a fight, the copper sprang softly up behind the figure and made a fierce grab for it.

The young man was thoroughly awakened by the clutch, and when he had done tumbling about and fully regained his senses, explained matters, and was led back to his door. As he had not taken the precaution to place a latch key in his pocket of his night, however, he found himself locked out, and he was compelled to pull vigorously on the bell handle before he could arouse the inmates of the house. Of course, though, the noise awoke everybody in the adjoining houses, and numerous heads were stuck out of windows. The sight of the young man in his night shirt trying to get in his own house at 1 o'clock in the morning was enough to scandalize them, and that's why he leaves his home early now and does not return until night-fall.

THE MASQUERADE BALL.

Will be held on Friday Night November 26th.

The masquerade ball which will be held on the night of Friday November 26 is creating a great deal of interest and it promises to be a great success. Old and young people will participate in it.

Splendid music, brilliant costumes and other features will make it an evening of rare enjoyment.

The proceeds derived from the ball will be donated to charitable objects.

Prices of admission, 75 cts. to the dress circle, 50 cts. general admission.

Supreme Court.

The following appeals from the Eighth district were argued to day:

The motion to reinstate the appeal in Parker v. Railroad was argued by J. S. Morehead, by brief, for plaintiff, and F. H. Bueber for defendant.

State vs. Furr; argued by Attorney General for the State, and Morrison for defendant.

Wright v. Railroad; argued by A. C. Avery and L. S. Overman for plaintiff, and Charles Price, G. F. Basor and A. B. Andrews, Jr., for defendant.

A Kicker.

A countryman with a kicking mule created a little excitement on the streets today. Tobe Marshall, our clever city janitor, came to the assistance of owner and by a simple rope contrivance restrained the animal from pursuing his dangerous pastime.

We direct special attention to the special of Thomas & Campbell. On next Friday they offer a large lot of chairs at special prices. Be sure and call.

SONS OF REVOLUTION

Their Annual Convention Held Yesterday.

ACCEPTED INVITATION

TO BE PRESENT IN CHARLOTTE AT UNVEILING OF MONUMENT.

Dr. P. E. Hines Elected President--Delegates to the National Convention Elected--An Interesting Meeting.

The fourth annual convention of the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the Revolution was held yesterday afternoon in the Supreme court building. The meeting was called to order by Dr. P. E. Hines, of this city. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and proceedings of the board of managers for the past year.

Upon the selection of officers, Dr. P. E. Hines was placed in nomination for president by Mr. William J. Andrews and unanimously elected. This position was formerly occupied by Governor Carr, whose removal from the city rendered the change desirable. Hon. Thos. S. Kenan was elected vice-president, Mr. Marshall DeLancy Haywood secretary, Prof. D. H. Hill, registrar, and Rev. Robert Brent Drane, D. D., chaplain. The Board of Managers consists of the above officers, and Capt. S. A. Ashe, Col. A. Q. Holladay, Maj. Graham Daves, Mr. George B. Curtis, Dr. H. B. Battle, Mr. A. B. Andrews, M. B. C. Beckwith, Mr. Heriot Clarkson, and Prof. Collier Cobb. Delegates to the General Convention, General James D. Glenn, Mr. A. B. Andrews, Jr., Mr. George B. Curtis, Mr. B. C. Beckwith, and Mr. J. Graham Daves. Alternates, Mr. Stephen A. White, Mr. William K. Carr, Mr. Heriot Clarkson and Mr. William J. Andrews, Marshall DeLancy Haywood.

A communication was received from Mr. Heriot Clarkson, one of the Board of Managers residing in Charlotte, inviting the society, on behalf of the Mecklenburg Monument Association, to be present in Charlotte on the 20th of next May at the unveiling of the monument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. A vote of thanks was thereupon tendered the Mecklenburg Association for this courtesy, and it was resolved that the Sons of the Revolution would attend the ceremony if practicable.

Plans for promoting the objects of the society were brought up, and discussed by Judge Avery, Mr. White, of Alamance, Prof. Hill and other members, who made interesting talks on the subject.

After the transaction of some other business of minor importance, the convention adjourned.

DELIGHTFUL CONCERT.

Given Under the Auspices of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

A delightful concert is being arranged to be given here soon for the benefit of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Division No. 389. The best musical talent in this city will take part, and it will be augmented by five musicians from Norfolk and other points.

Division No. 389 is composed of as clever a set of men as ever mounted a locomotive. We are sure owing to their popularity and their fine entertainment, the Raleigh public will give them a crowded house.

A Brilliant Lecture.

Col. Watterson gave a brilliant lecture at the State Normal School at Greensboro last Saturday night. His subject was "Abraham Lincoln." The speaker paid a glowing tribute to the Emancipation President. A large crowd assembled at the school to hear the distinguished lecturer and writer.

Lieutenant Commander E. W. Sturdy has been detached from the Minneapolis, and ordered to the Wabash.

REV. J. B. AVIRETT'S LECTURES.

Will Deliver his Plantation Lecture at Rocky Mt.

Rev. J. B. Avirett and wife, of Kittrell, left the city on the 11:45 train. They go to Rocky Mount this morning, where Mr. Avirett will lecture to-night on: "My Recollections of Plantation Life on the South Before the War: How we Lived in the Great House and How we Lived in the Cabin." The lecture is for the benefit of the central shaft in the North Carolina lot in the Confederate cemetery at Winchester. We hear that this lecture is upon the most interesting line of clean cut emphasis of the patriarchal feature of the institution of slavery in contradiction to the commercial view on which Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe laid such special stress in Uncle Tom's Cabin, by the wonderful power of which book the Northern mind was largely flamed with the fierce feat of religious fanaticism, sharply differentiating patriotism.

Back Home From the Convention in Baltimore.

Mrs. Wm. M. Parsley and Miss Mary F. Meares, delegates from North Carolina to the convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, held the past week in Baltimore, returned home last evening. They were charmed with their trip and speak in the most appreciative terms of the many delightful courtesies extended by the Baltimore Daughters of the Confederacy. On Wednesday evening a magnificent reception was given at Lehmann hall to the delegates, and on Thursday evening a tea was given at the Soldiers' Home. Besides these functions there were many charming private entertainments.—Wilmington Messenger.

A Nuisance.

The painting of signs upon the sidewalks of the city ought to be stopped. It is becoming a nuisance. Would it not be a good thing for the aldermen to pass an ordinance prohibiting it? Or if there is already one let it be enforced.—News & Observer.

We think that our esteemed contemporary is a little too straight-laced about this "Nuisance." The practice is very slightly induged in and even if it were to a large extent we cannot see that it is damaging or interfering with the public good.

Special Temperance Sermon.

It is a custom of mine to give at least one Sunday a year to special temperance work. Therefore, next Sunday, November the 21st, has been set apart as temperance day in Central Methodist church. The public generally, and all temperance societies and persons, in particular, are hereby invited to attend and take part. Seats will be reserved for any temperance organization that may desire to attend in a body.

EDWIN C. GLENN, PASTOR.

North Carolina--Georgia Marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Orowell Leonard, of Atlanta, Ga., have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter Mary Lee, to Mr. Robert Hunter Troy, on Wednesday evening, November 24th, at 6 o'clock, at their home, 869 Peachtree street, Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Troy is a son of Mr. W. C. Troy, of Fayetteville, and a brother of Mrs. C. O. McDonald, of this city. He has many friends and acquaintances in this State whose good wishes and hearty congratulations go out to him.

Musicals.

A musicale will be given to-night at the Branson House, for the benefit of Central M. E. church. Refreshments will be served at a small cost, and no admission will be charged. The public are cordially invited.

More Convicts.

Three convicts were brought to the penitentiary to-day. Sheriff W. G. Burden, of Bertie county, two, and Deputy Sheriff Templeton, of Iredell, one.

Musicals To-night.

Don't forget to attend the musicale at the Branson House to-night for the benefit of Central M. E. church. A nice program has been arranged and a good time is in store for all who attend. There will be no admission fee, but refreshments will be served at a small cost. Let everybody go and have a good time.

GOING DOWN SOUTH.

A McKeesporter to Represent Some Local Capitalists.

Considerable capital from McKeesport and vicinity promises to be invested in southern property in the near future. A short time ago Devenny Bros., well known brokers of this city, had occasion to insert an advertisement in some southern papers to arrange an exchange of property for one of their clients, a wealthy citizen of this city, who, on account of his health, desired to go south and to exchange his interests here for southern property. The result of his advertisement was not only a satisfactory exchange made for the property of their client, but so many desirable properties were offered that some capitalists represented by Devenny Bros. had their attention drawn to the proposition, and they were so interested, thought the field so good, that Mr. Devenny will leave in a few days to be absent three weeks, during which time he will visit a number of the principal cities, will meet quite a number of prominent southern capitalists, and will inspect a large number of properties offered. If they prove to be as attractive as represented, and Mr. Devenny can recommend them as being desirable, a great deal of capital from this vicinity will likely be invested there.

No better representative could be secured than Mr. Devenny, whose wide travel and association with southern interests and his long and prominent identification with the representative commercial interests of this vicinity through the board of trade and through corporations, especially fits him for his mission, and he will no doubt be given a warm reception in southern financial circles.—McKeesport Times.

Active Work Begun.

The work of excavation for the foundation of the Capital Club's new three-story, magnificent building, which this organization will build at the corner of Martin and Salisbury streets, is being pushed forward with activity. In a few weeks the noble structure will begin to rear its head to a level of its tallest neighbors, and will, when finished, be a fit companion for the Academy of Music block, and will be an ornament to that almost incomparable street, Martin. From Wilmington street to the Union station, Lo street in Raleigh presents a more beautiful appearance than Martin. The most imposing building is the skyscraper (the Park Hotel), with its five or six stories of pressed brick. Both sides of the paved street are filled with beautiful stores and residences.

The Daily Post.

The brick foundation for the new press of the coming morning daily paper for this city, the Post, is nearing completion. The press, which is a double feed, has already arrived, and is said to be a hummer. To-morrow the press will be put up, and in a few days thereafter the new daily, which will be Democratic in politics, will be launched upon the sea of newspaperdom. Bright, brainy writers will occupy the editorial and news departments, and nothing will be left undone to make the new venture a complete success. The new paper has the good wishes of the TIMES.

TWO FIRE ALARMS.

But There Were No Fires of Consequence.

A burning chimney in the southwestern part of the city was the occasion of calling out the fire department at noon to-day. No damage.

The fire last night was an insignificant affair. The roof of the kitchen at the old Jordan Womble residence on East Hargett street caught from a defective flue. It was speedily put out. Damage very slight.

Epidemic of Typhoid at Wytheville.

Bristol, Tenn., Nov. 15.—The town of Wytheville, Va., one of the most popular health resorts on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, has an epidemic of typhoid fever. Two hundred cases and a number of deaths have been reported.

REV. MR. NEEDHAM

Revival at the Tabernacle Baptist Church.

SAVED THROUGH GOD

THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF HIS DISCOURSE LAST NIGHT.

Salvation Teaches us That We Are to Live Soberly for Ourselves and Godly for God.

The revival which Rev. Thos. C. Needham inaugurated at the Tabernacle Baptist church last Sunday night promises to result in much good to the cause of Christ. New penitents present themselves at each service to become children of God. The preaching of Evangelist Needham is penetrating. He does not depend upon rhetorical flourishes nor brilliant flights to ethereal skies, nor word painting to show sinners the way of salvation, but he unfolds the beautiful petals of the choicest roses and lilies of the Bible which disclose the teaching of Christ and Him crucified. The preacher makes the Word of God so plain that none can fail to understand what he has to do in order to receive the blessing of God, and after his earthly pilgrimage is over, to live in the kingdom not made by human hands, but by God.

Monday night's services were as follows:

After a song and devotional exercises, the evangelist read a part of the second chapter of Titus.

He announced as his subject, "Salvation through His grace." Salvation teaches us how to live. We are to live soberly for our lives; righteously for our neighbors, and Godly for God. The same grace which saves is our standing as a believer. Grace saves. God comes in the person of His Son, and empties himself that through His riches we might be saved. God first came in the person of His Son, and then invited the sinner to come. God, through grace, delivers from past, present and future sin; from the power and dominion of sin. Man can't save himself, but it is all through grace. There is no other hope for the sinner. As there was but one way for Lot and for Noah to be saved, so there is but one way for the sinner, and that is through Christ. Paul calls it a great salvation. The Christian is ransomed by the blood of Christ.

Our elder brother came from glory and ransomed, bought back our poor souls, which were lost and unable to save ourselves. Nothing else can save. We must, in order to bring others to Christ, know the Word of God; memorize it, for it is to be our lamp and guide. Salvation is a free gift, not of works, lest any should boast. God the giver, Christ the gift, the sinner the recipient.

We have only to receive the gift just as we are. Salvation is for to-night, the present, not for to-morrow, and it is to the uttermost. No matter how great a sinner, He is a mighty Saviour.

We are not saved on account of the exceeding riches of his grace.

At the close of the sermon, an after-meeting was held, and several stood up for prayers, and one made a profession of salvation through grace.

Services every afternoon at 3:30 p. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

Give Thanks.

Give thanks say Messrs. Whiting Bros. in an attractive advertisement, which will interest you to look up and read.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Briefs of Interest From all Sections of the Country.

Brazil is under martial law.

Wilmington has a new ice factory.

Tut Ryan will fight Peter Maher.

The New York horse show opened yesterday.

Another eastern war cloud has made its appearance.

The Wheeling Iron and Steel Company yesterday advanced the wages of nearly two thousand employees ten per cent.

G. Giuseppe Verdi, the great composer, now 83 years old, is prostrated by the death of his wife, which occurred yesterday.

The washup Iowa, which is lying off Tompkinsville L. I., this morning fired a salute of thirteen guns in honor of the trial board which boarded her. She is going on her final trial trip.

Emperor William of Germany made the highest shooting record in a battle on the estate of Prince Liehnowski, at Kuehlna, a few days ago. The party killed 4,244 pheasants, of which the Emperor shot 1,224, an average of five per minute during shooting time.

The temperature in London, which has been high all last week, registered 60 to 70 degrees, suddenly became colder last night and this morning snow was falling in many parts of Scotland and north England. The east coast is swept by a severe gale, causing the shipping to seek shelter.

Saturday Constable Anderson and officers Linebar, Haybert and Ivey raided a crap den in the south end of Chestnut street, kept by Walle Green, and arrested the proprietor and seven men who were gambling. They will have a hearing before Justice Ainsworth this evening.—Portsmouth (Va.) Times.

The United States Minister to Hayti cables from Port au Prince that the Haytian government has concluded a loan for \$4,000,000 through Lazard Bros., New York, at 9 per cent., to be delivered immediately, the paper currency to be destroyed, the fractional silver and copper coin to be re-coined in the mints of the United States.

The London Daily Mail says that Ernest T. Hooley, the English promoter and financier, has made an offer to Spain to raise for her a loan of about \$17,500,000, the security to be on the lines of the old quicksilver loan. The Spanish Government will consider the proposal on Nov. 18. It is understood that the rate of interest suggested is 4 per cent.

Army and Navy Notes.

Lieutenant Commander F. H. Delano has been ordered to the Minneapolis, November 30, as executive officer.

Ensigns F. N. Olmstead and A. A. Pratt have been detached from the Lancaster and ordered to the Terror.

Chief Engineer C. J. MacDonnell has been detached from the Lancaster and ordered to the New York as fleet engineer.

Chief Engineer G. J. Burnap has been detached from the New York, and ordered to Cramps' ship yard.

The leave of absence on account of disability granted Capt. William Paulding, Tenth Infantry, has been extended one month.

The following transfers are made in the Eleventh Infantry: First Lieut. Chas. W. Penrose, from company H to company A; First Lieutenant William Wirgel, from company A to company H.

The cruiser Montgomery arrived at Pensacola Friday for patrol duty on the coast of Florida. The cruiser Lancaster has gone to Newport News, preparatory to her departure for Boston.

Secretary Long has abolished the grade of acting rear admiral, heretofore given to officers of lower rank when in command of a squadron, and hereafter officers on such duty simply will have the rank of their commissions in the service. The order will have almost immediate application to Commodore Dewey, under orders to relieve Admiral McNaair of command of the Asiatic station, and to Commodore Howell, who has been ordered to command the European station, in place of Admiral Selfridge, who is ordered home to await retirement.