

CITY AFFAIRS.

Meetings This Day.

Charleston Rifleman Society, at half-past 7 P. M.

Auction Sales This Day.

Henry Cobia & Co. will sell at half-past 9 o'clock, at their store, strips, bellies, &c.

The Cheapest Yet.

The News Job Office is now printing bill-heads in the best style and in the most durable material.

The Savannah River.

By a private telegram from Augusta, we learn that the river was eighteen feet six inches above low water mark at 10:20 A. M. yesterday.

Cotton for Liverpool.

Messrs. F. Mure & Co. closed yesterday at this port the British steamship Marmora, Captain Robinson, for Liverpool with 500 bales scissled, 1112 bales unscissled, 100 bales rosin, 20 tons phosphate, and 100 bags of cotton seed.

New Warner.

This distinguished English tragedian has won golden honors in San Francisco and in Utah, and it is hoped that we may see him in Charleston before he accepts an engagement in the Northern States.

Von Santen's Music Box.

The raffle of this box has been postponed to Wednesday, when all persons who have taken chances are earnestly requested to come forward and claim the same.

The Stepmother Discharged.

An investigation of the false alarms given at the late fire was held before the Chief of Police yesterday morning, and it appearing that the stepmother had struck Ward No. 4 without receiving any information from the gang.

Trial of the Hope Steam Fire Engine.

The new steam engine of the Hope Fire Company was subjected to a trial yesterday afternoon, and played a distance of 236 feet, through one hundred feet of hose and an inch and a half nozzle.

The Steam Plough.

The Clarendon Press says that two English gentlemen, just from England, have recently purchased the large "Bloom Hill" plough, recently owned by that well known and worthy citizen of Clarendon, Captain T. C. Richardson.

The Spanish Gunboat Fleet.

During yesterday forenoon intelligence reached the city that a part of the Spanish gunboat fleet, lately constructed near New York for the Spanish authorities, had arrived at this port.

St. Peter's Catholic Fair.

The fair for the benefit of St. Peter's Catholic Church was opened last night at No. 140 Meeting street, opposite the Pavilion Hotel. The hall was tastefully decorated, and the building covered with a profusion of everything tempting.

Shooting Affray.

A controversy arose yesterday in the grocery store of Mr. Muller, at the corner of Broad and King streets, between the proprietor and a young man in the store, and the latter was ejected.

Robberies.

The rainy weather of the past few days has rendered the nocturnal thieves bold in their operations, and the number of robberies is largely increased.

Hotel Arrivals—December 27.

CHARLESTON HOTEL. Perry M. Decon, Savannah; W. C. Alderson, New Jersey; S. J. Sumner, North Carolina; Geo. T. Laird, New York; H. Fordham, Philadelphia; Mrs. C. F. Sedgwick, Connecticut; R. H. Seligwick, Steamship Saragossa; Mrs. Slight, Augusta; Edward F. Ungerling, Boston.

The Galton Troupe.

"Fanchette" with which the Galton Opera Troupe opened their engagements at the Academy of Music last night, is a light and sparkling opera, which being well played and well sung, went off trippingly from beginning to end.

Business Notices.

BUSINESS ENVELOPES.—The News Job Office is now prepared to furnish good envelopes, with business cards printed thereon, at \$4 per thousand. Send your orders. Every merchant and business man should have his card printed on his envelopes.

Binzine Double Distilled.

WILL REMOVE GRASS SPOTS Manufactured and sold wholesale and retail by Geo. W. 121 Meeting street.

Trinity Church—The Triumph of a Charleston Artist.

The painting of the interior of Trinity Church, which has just been completed by J. E. W. Brower, of this city, is one of the finest pieces of ornamental painting in the State. Eccelesiastical painting is a distinct branch of art, and requires the nicest adaptation of coloring to the subject to avoid all gloomy tinges on the one hand, and all unseemly gaudiness on the other.

The walls are painted in panels, gray in the center, with an exterior band of a chocolate color. The ceiling is of an ash or sky-gray. About twenty feet from the wall, on either side, a broad band runs around the entire ceiling, enclosing a rectangular space. Inside of this band there is a series of five or six narrower lines, diminishing in breadth towards the center of the ceiling, all painted in the several shades of dove or slate color.

The Fallstaff of the Period.—Mr. James H. Hackett, the only worthy representative of the doughty Fallstaff on the American stage, will appear in legitimate drama at the Academy of Music this season.

The Ladies will not fail to call at the Depository and examine our gallery of beautiful CHROMOS. Our shelves and tables present an attractive array of BOOKS and ARTICLES for the Holidays.

THE UNIVERSE; or, the Infinitely Great and the Infinitely Small. By J. A. Foucher, with 337 engravings and illustrations. Each page is a picture. The price of our Books are all marked in plain figures for the convenience of visitors.

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New Publications.

RUSSELL'S BOOK STORE. CHOICE BOOKS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. READ THIS! I shall, from this day until the 1st January, 1870, offer the rest of my stock of FINE FRENCH FANCY GOODS.

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By Henry Cobia & Co. STRIPS, BELLIES AND CROCKERY. THIS DAY, at half-past 9 o'clock, in front of our store, we will sell: 1500 pounds Sugar-Cured STRIPS, 2500 pounds Dry-Salted Bellies, and a lot of assorted CROCKERY.

By A. H. ABRAHAM & SONS. POSITIVE SALE OF STOCK AND FURNITURE. No. 273 King street, on account of party retiring from business.

By W. GURNEY. HAMS, SHOULDERS AND BACON. THIS DAY, at half-past 10 o'clock, a lot of COMMISSARY STORES.

By HUTSON LEE. AT PRIVATE SALE.—THE HICKORY HILL PLANTATION, containing 400 acres, more or less, of which about 300 acres are cleared.

By J. DRAYTON FORD. VALUABLE RICE PLANTATIONS TO BE RENTED.—NORTH CHACHAN Plantation, on western branch of Cooper River, containing about 30 acres of rice land and large quantities of cotton and provision land.

CLOTHING FOR MEN, YOUTHS AND BOYS. Made up especially for this market, of the best workmanship and style of garments.

By A. C. MCGILLIVRAY. UNDER DECREE IN EQUITY. A. G. Rice vs. C. D. Carr, and al.

By LAUREY & ALEXANDER. ESTATE SALE. On WEDNESDAY, 29th instant, will be sold in the S.W. corner of the lot of the late J. A. Rice, at 11 o'clock A. M., on account of an estate.

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Auction Sales—Future Days.

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By BOWERS & SILCOX. SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. In the matter of John Hargrave to Henry O. Marry.

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