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Those of our subscribers who know themselves indebted for the present volume, will confer a great accommodation by paying up between this and the first of January, by so doing it will enable us to pay our debts.

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THE festivites attendant upon Christmas appear to have been heartily enjoyed by all. The younger portion of our community have rejoiced over their miniature drums and fifes, and drawn prizes from the mysterious depths of their stockings, in the chimney corner. The Christmas Eve 'hop' was well attended; the "beauty and the chivalry" fulfilling the poet's command of

"With the dance,
To steep till morn, when youth and beauty meet,
To chase the hours flying fast."

Then came the heavy snow, with the sereno lamp of night looking so calmly down upon the love secrets, whispered amid the jangling of bells, and the crack of the sledge, over the crisp frost.

THE Episcopal church in this place, was decorated tastily, by the ladies of that denomination, in commemoration of our Savior's birthday. While the hostility of fanaticism has divided nearly all religious bodies in our country, it is like a green spot in the desert, refreshing alike to mind and body, to see this church united in brotherly love. In South Carolina, its respect for law and order, has prevented it from following like other bodies, on the heels of secession, and its ritual remains unchanged. While on this subject, we cannot forbear to commend the Rev. Dr. Doughterty's Thanksgiving discourse, repeated last Sabbath evening at the request of his charge. It was worthy of the occasion and produced a deep effect upon the hearers.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

Rev. S. H. Jamison will preach at the Christian Church to-day and tomorrow (Saturday and Sunday) at the usual hours.

Rev. Alexander Campbell, President of Bethany College, Virginia, will preach at the same house on Monday, 31 inst., at 11 A. M., and also at night.

Printers, like others, naturally enough, feel jubilant about holiday times, and will account for the deficiency in our columns this week.

THE EASY WASHER.—We must say that the Easy Washer, patented by Messrs. Lamphier & Barrett, is just the thing. It can't be beat. From what we have seen and heard, we are led to believe that it will save the labor of at least five women in washing, is cheaper and durable, is light and handy—it weighs only twenty-five pounds. The proprietors are at the Taylors' house, and will furnish machines on trial.

ROSELLER'S FURNITURE WARE ROOMS.—This gentleman has removed to Main street, a few doors west of Heaton's corner. His stock comprises every variety of household furniture. All articles warranted. Call and examine the stock.

"THE UNION SAVERS"—WHAT IS
THOUGHT NOW.

For years the Democracy of the North have warned the people, in their presses and by their orators upon the stump, that the Abolition policy was destined, if not arrested, to break up the Union, and that the people of the South would never submit to a sectional Republican triumph. For this they were ridiculed and sneered at without stint. The appellations of "Union-savers" and "doughfaces" were bestowed upon them in derision. The Republicans insisted that there was no danger to the Union, and that what the Democrats said was a mere partisan cry, got up to influence the election. They made the people believe it! We now see who was right and who was wrong. The statement of the Democrats has been proven true—that of the Republicans false. The Union is about to be broken up upon the same ground the Democrats predicted. Those who have been laughing and sneering at us as "Union-savers," are silent now, and well they may be. They have shown the people they were unfaithful sentinels upon the dome of the Union. They shouted no wolf when the wolf was coming! They have got the country into its present unfortunate condition. They have run the Ship of State upon the breakers, owing to their ignorance and unskillfulness in political navigation. Heavy is their responsibility.

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AN INTERESTING PICTURE OF BATAVIA AND ITS HOTELS.

A correspondent of the New York Herald, writing from Batavia, the capital of the island of Java, about which we know comparatively little, draws the following graphic picture of the place, which will be found quite interesting.

Now about Batavia and the hotel at which I am staying. How many in New

YORK VIEW OF THE AMERICAN CRISIS.

From the London Post, Dec. 1.