

CHINESE WORSHIP.

The writer of the following letter is a native of North Carolina, but for several years a Missionary in China.

SHANGHAI, February 1st, 1867.

Dear Brother Taylor:—In your last letter, you solicited some communications that might be used through the religious press of the South.

The Chinese believe in the immortality of the soul, and in future rewards and punishments, till, according to their idea of transmigration of souls,

the wheel of fate casts the soul back into the world again, either in the form of man, beast, bird or insect, according to its manner of life during its previous period of existence among the living.

They believe in two worlds—the world of light in which we live, and in the world of darkness in which the souls of men take up their abode after death.

Men in the world of light cannot see or know anything in regard to the condition of those in the world of darkness, but it is the duty of the relatives of the departed to make at stated periods, such contributions and offerings, as will contribute to the repose and happiness of the departed.

On the contrary those in the world of darkness both see and know all about their friends in the world of light and have the power of returning to afflict such as are wanting in filial piety and to reward or prosper those who are faithful in the observance of all the established rites due the dead.

In the Chinese mind, the world of darkness is an exact counterpart or reflection of the world of light, hence it is supposed that it has an official, corresponding to every official in the Chinese Empire.

Empire down to the lowest fictions of a county magistrate. And these imaginary officials of the world of darkness are represented in the world of light by idols, the images of departed heroes in all the Taoist temples throughout the Empire.

Indeed there is pretty good evidence to show that the Taoist religion is an offspring of ancestral worship, for the two systems are inseparably connected. Hence every country ruled by a magistrate has its county deity, with a full retinue of attendants corresponding to that of the magistrate; every district (or two) has its district deity; every province ruled by a governor has its provincial deity; and the Empire ruled by an Emperor, has an imperial deity, "Shang-ti" or "nyoh wong shang-ti," to whom all the subordinate gods are amenable in the same sense that the subordinate Mandarins are amenable to the Emperor.

PRESS ONWARD.

BY AUGUSTA TREADWELL.

Young man, be up and doing, Writing from the world a name!

Resolve to be a hero: In what you undertake;

Be first and foremost in the throng, Active and wide awake.

Forget the past, press onward, The present is your own;

Resolve, each evening's sunset, Shall find your duties done.

'Tis only by endeavor, By stern and earnest will, You can succeed in climbing Fame's steep and rugged hill.

Yet, with a manly purpose, And mind that knows no fail, No barrier can interpose,

But which you may not scale. Care not for scoffs or idle jeers, All flattery despise,

"Excelsior," your motto be, Onward and upward rise.

NEW GOODS AT McLEOD & STEELE'S.

We are receiving a general stock of all grades of Seasonable Goods.

LADIES' DRESS GOODS, Such as black and colored Silks, black and colored Silk Grenadines; black, white and colored S. Warp Shallices, Bareges, Tissues, Tamines, Crapes, Morettes, and Cassimeres, French Dress de de, Linen Drill, and Ducks, Perchals Solid and Printed, Jarselles and Aleandre Quilt, Prints—all grades; Alamance Plaids, Rock Island Cassimeres, at Factory prices.

Bradley's Duplex Hoopshirts, Summer Balmoral Skirts—beautiful articles. A full line of Notions, Hosiery, Gloves, Straw Goods, Bonnets and Bonnet Ribbons, French Flowers, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes.

Crockery, Groceries, and a general stock of Hardware. Our entire stock was selected with much care, and we feel confident will compare favorably with any in the city, in style and price.

A. HALES, Watch-Maker and Jeweler, (One Door South of the Mansion House) CHARLOTTE, N. C. If your Watch should need Repairing, Don't get mad and go to swearing; Just take it into Hales' Shop, He will fix it so it will not stop.

ELIAS & COHEN Invite the attention of Wholesale and Retail buyers to their extensive and magnificent stock of Spring and Summer Goods, Consisting in part of Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods, Hats and Caps, Hardware, Cutlery, NOTIONS, Groceries, and a general assortment of Merchandise suitable for the Trade, all of which has been carefully selected, and will be sold, "not less than cost," but truly at VERY SMALL PROFITS.

Notice to Farmers. Farmers wishing to purchase Agricultural Implements of any kind, Threshing Machines, Fans, Reapers, Mowers, Horse Rakes, Corn Mills, Corn Shellers, Sugar Cutters and all other kinds, can get them from us at the Baltimore retail price, with freight and drayage added.

WHITE and YELLOW CORN. For Sale by HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO. ROCKPORT LIME. 100 Barrels, for sale by HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO.

CATAWBA LIME, For Sale by HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO. May 13, 1867.

HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS OF THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY. Cash Capital \$3,000,000. Annual Income \$2,000,000.

Reduction! Reduction! THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE STOCK AT B. KOOPMANN'S.

DR. JNO. H. McADEN, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGIST, CHARLOTTE, N. C. Has on hand a large and well selected stock of PURE DRUGS, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Family Medicines, Patents, Oils, Varishes, Dye Stuffs, Fancy and Toilet Articles, which he is determined to sell at the very lowest prices.

MECKLENBURG HOUSE, ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN. Is now open, as heretofore, for the reception and accommodation of Permanent and Transient Boarders.

EDWARD J. HALE & SON, WHOLESALE DEALERS IN BOOKS AND STATIONERY. Have removed to No. 16, Murray street, a few doors from Broadway, where they are prepared to supply their Southern friends and the public—Booksellers, Merchants, Teachers, Professional Gentlemen, and others—with all articles in their line, at the most reasonable cash prices.

How SHE CURED HIM.—A little man in the west of Maryland rushed to the Potomac river last summer, swearing that he would drown himself. When he had waded in to the depth of his waist, his wife who had followed him, seized him by the hair of his head, and then, as a spectator describes it, "she led him back until he had reached a place where the water was about two feet deep, where she pulled him over backward, forcing his head under, and then pulling his head up again. Drown yourself, (down he went,) leaving me to take care of the children I (another plunge) got drunk! (another scold) and start for the river! (another dip) Better use the water than the rum, (another dip and shake of the head.) I'll learn you to leave me a widow!" After scolding him to her heart's content, she led him out to a better and wiser man, and escorting him to the house, shut the door.

CATAWBA English and Classical High School, NEWTON, N. C.

The next Session of this Institution will commence the 1st of July next. The School is in a flourishing condition. A ample provision is made to accommodate a large number of boys and young men, both in rooms, boarding and instruction. No pains are spared in fitting pupils thoroughly for the best Colleges of the country, and in giving them a thorough and practical business education.

J. C. CLAPP, A. B. S. M. FINGER, A. B.

SELLING AT COST. Next Door to the Court House, Charlotte, N. C.

With a view of changing our business we now offer to sell our entire stock of Goods at Cost. There is a general assortment consisting of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Hardware and Cutlery, Crockery and Glassware, Looking Glasses, Wood and Willow Ware, &c. &c.

THE LATEST, THE PRETIEST, THE CHEAPEST. A. SINCLAIR is daily receiving and opening his second stock of Dry Goods, bought at the very lowest prices during the recent heavy decline in goods.

EDWARD FULLINGS Is now offering his fine Stock of READY-MADE CLOTHING Below New York cost. I am compelled to sacrifice my Goods to raise funds. Persons desirous of obtaining good Clothing at remarkably low figures, will find it to their advantage to call before purchasing and be convinced.

NEW GOODS. BUXBAUM & LANG, Are now receiving their SPRING STOCK, which will be sold at a small advance on New York Prices. Their stock consists of everything belonging to Ladies' and Gentlemen's wear.

LADIES' TRIMMINGS, Buttons, Fringes, Tassels and Bugle Trimmings. Ladies' and Gentlemen's HATS, of the most improved styles. None kept but of the best qualities, and we can guarantee satisfaction to all that are willing to give us a trial.

THE NEW BOOK STORE Has just received a large supply of Standard, Miscellaneous and School Books, of which the following forms a part: SCHOOL BOOKS. Davies' Primary, Old and New, University Legendre Arithmetic; Davies' New Elementary Algebra; Bullion's Cassar and English Grammar; Emerson's Arithmetic, 1st and 2d part; McGuffey's Reader, 1st and 2d.

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Rock Island Manufacturing Co. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TO SOUTHERN MERCHANTS, If you desire to supply yourselves for the Fall and Winter trade, with the very best descriptions and styles of ALL-WOOL CASSIMERES, AND WITH THE MOST DURABLE Jeans and Kersey Fabrics.

APLOAT ALL ALONE. Having purchased the interest of J. M. Sanders in the Grocery and Provision Business, I would respectfully ask the custom of my friends and the public generally.

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HAVE JUST RECEIVED, AND HAVE IN STORE, 50 Sacks Liverpool Salt, 4 Sacks Old Java Coffee, 2 Boxes Choice Green Tea, 4 Barrels Choice Molasses, 1 Barrel Cider Vinegar, 10 Barrels Coffee Sugar, Rice Coffee, Crushed and Pulverized Sugar, Rio, English Dairy and New York State Cheese, 10 Gross Carolina Belle and 3 Bbls. Lorillard Snuff.

WANTED. 20,000 BUSHELS CHOICE WHITE WHEAT, for which we will pay the highest market price. J. Y. BRYCE & CO.

WORTH & DANIEL, Shipping & Commission Merchants, WILMINGTON, N. C. Dealers in Bagging, Rope, Ties, Lime, Plaster, Cement, Hair, Gunny, Peruvian Guano direct from Government Agents.

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N. C. Railroad Schedule.

Table with columns: Mail Train—Going East, Leave Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Raleigh, Arrive at Goldsboro. (Mail Train—Going West), Leave Goldsboro, Greensboro, Salisbury, Arrive at Charlotte. Accommodation Train—Going East, Leave Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Raleigh, Arrive at Goldsboro. Accommodation Train—Going West, Leave Goldsboro, Greensboro, Salisbury, Arrive at Charlotte.

Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

Office: Corner Esq. & Surr., Wilmington, July 2. CHANGE OF SCHEDULE. On and after July 5th, the following Schedule will be run by the Passenger trains over this Railroad:

Wilm'ton, Char. & Ruth. Railroad. WESTERN DIVISION.

On and after Saturday the 8th of June, the passenger train on this Road will run as follows: GOING WEST, On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays Leave Charlotte at 7:30 A. M., 10:15 " " Arrive at Cherryville, 11:00 "

GULFORD LAND AGENCY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Persons having Agricultural and Mineral Lands, Water Powers, &c., for sale, are respectfully invited to place them in our hands for that purpose, as our facilities for bringing purchasers from Northern States and placing property prominently before the public, through our advertisements, and also through our agencies and correspondents in the North and West, are unsurpassed.

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M. MARTIN & CO., Having removed their Works from Stovesville, Gaston county, to Charlotte, respectfully inform their old patrons and the public generally that they have opened a Foundry and Machine Shop at the old Navy Yard lot, in the city of Charlotte, where they are prepared to make all sorts of CASTINGS.

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These Engines and Mills have received the first premium over all competitors. They afford the best, cheapest, and most economical power in use and excel in power any Engines made in the Union.

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CHEAPEST STOCK OF GOODS

To be found at any other establishment in the city, having recently lived in the Northern States, and with my old experience in the PURCHASE OF GOODS, I am not prepared to say I will sell "below cost," or at a reduction on the original cost, or at below New York prices, but that I will sell as

DRY GOODS, Ladies' Trimmings of the Latest Styles, Linen Table Damask, Linen Diaper, and all kinds of Flannels, Calicoes,

brown and bleached Sheetings, black and colored Alpaccas, Ladies' and Gentlemen's FURNISHING GOODS, &c. &c. Call and secure Bargains.

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The undersigned would respectfully announce to the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country, that he has completed his arrangements for manufacturing and supplying to this market BRICKS of a superior quality, for building purposes. Orders will be filled at moderate prices, and a liberal discount made to those contracting for a large quantity.

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VANCE & DOWD, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, Charlotte, N. C.

Having associated themselves together, will practice in the Courts of Mecklenburg, Iredell, Catawba, Davidson, Rowan, Cabarrus and Union, and in the Federal and Supreme Courts. Claims collected anywhere in the State.

High Shoals IRON MANUFACTURING CO., Gaston County, N. C.

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