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Robert Gibbon, M. D.,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.
Office over Smith & Hammond's Drug Store
No. 35 College Street.
Feb 1, 1871.

J. P. McCombs, M. D.,
Offers his professional services to the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country. All calls, both night and day, promptly attended to.
Office in Brewer's building, up stairs, opposite the Charlotte Hotel.
Feb 20, 1871.

DENTISTRY.
DR. M. A. BLAND, DENTIST,
(Successor to ALEXANDER & BLAND).
All work guaranteed. Teeth extracted without pain by "Nitrous Oxide Gas."
Office in Brick Building, opposite the Charlotte Hotel.
Feb 6, 1871.

SMITH & HAMMOND
Have in Store a Full Stock of Drugs, Medicines, &c., which they are offering at very low prices, wholesale and retail.
Country Merchants and others visiting Charlotte will do well to call and get quotations.
Aug 29, 1870.

DR. JOHN 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, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Dye Stuffs, Fancy and Toilet Articles, which he is determined to sell at the very lowest prices.
Jan 1, 1871.

DR. S. E. BRATTON,
Physician and Surgeon,
Tenders his professional services to the citizens of Charlotte and vicinity.
Office next to Charlotte Hotel. Residence opposite to H. Wilson's Law Office.
Feb 13, 1871.

WILSON & BLACK,
Wholesale and Retail Druggists,
Corner Trade and College Sts., Charlotte.
We now have one of the largest and most complete stocks of
Drugs, Medicines, &c.,
(And everything pertaining to the Drug Business) to be found in this market, which we are offering at very low prices.
To Physicians and Country Merchants we offer special inducements. All orders promptly filled.

MANSON HOUSE,
CHA. LOTTE, N. C.
This well-known house having been newly furnished and refitted in every department, is now open for the accommodation of the
TRAVELING PUBLIC.
Omnibuses at the Depot on arrival of Trains.
Jan 24, 1870.

A. BURWELL, F. S. DeWOLFE,
BURWELL & DeWOLFE,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.
Office in the Court House, next to the Sheriff's Office.
Jan 2, 1871.

JOHNSON'S HOTEL,
LINCOLN, N. C.
This well-known establishment is still open and in successful operation for the accommodation of the public. The Proprietor guarantees satisfaction to all who may give him a call. Transportation furnished to the surrounding country on reasonable terms.
B. S. JOHNSON,
Proprietor.
Jan 9, 1871.

JOHN T. BUTLER,
WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER,
AND DEALER IN
JEWELRY, FINE WATCHES, CLOCKS,
WATCH MATERIALS, SPECIES, &c.
Aug 19, 1867. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Preserve Your Eyes.
These Lenses, manufactured by the Philadelphia Optical Institute, are superior to any other Glasses in the market. They confer a brilliancy and distinctness of vision not found in any other Glass. They can be used equally well without tiring or fatiguing the eye.
For sale only at JOHN T. BUTLER'S Jewellery Store, Main Street, sole agent in Charlotte, N. C., and vicinity.
Feb 21, 1870.

J. Y. BRUCE & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.
Particular attention paid to the selling of all kinds of Produce, Cotton and Tobacco.
Highest cash price paid for Cotton.
All orders from a distance promptly attended to.
March 3, 1869.

D. SNYDER & SON,
Gun and Lock Smiths,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.
Dealers, Manufacturers and Repairers of all kinds of Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Door Locks, Trunk Locks and Keys of all sizes.
The best of Guns, Rifles, &c., constantly for sale and repaired to order at prices low down.
Go to the new Jobbing Shop to get your Arms, Rifles or Sporting Goods, or have your old work made up as new.
Shop in Parks' Building near the Public Square.
DAVID SNYDER,
W. E. SNYDER.
Aug 22, 1870.

Carolina Agricultural Works,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.
COOK & ELLYSON, Proprietors.
Our Shops are now at the Old Navy Yard and at the late Foundry of J. M. Howie.
We are manufacturing and selling all sorts of Farming Implements and giving careful attention to repairs in our line of every description.
Feb 13, 1871.

Wil., Char. & Ruth, Railroad.
500 Mile Tickets over this Road can be purchased for Fifteen Dollars of Station Agents at Charlotte, Lincolnton and V. Q.
Western Division, Wil., Char. & Ruth. R. R.
Feb 20, 1871.

A MASSACHUSETTS ROMANCE.—It is related of a family in Dorchester, Mass., that every dark-eyed member of it, for the past fifty years, has become blind at the age of twenty to twenty-five years. Those with blue eyes escape the terrible affliction. The local gossip tells a romantic story how, some sixty years ago, a beautiful black-eyed girl, reduced by blindness to beggary, was led astray by two boys of this family, and left by them in a swamp, and when she found herself deserted among the tangled underbrush, turned her prayer, that they would extricate her, into a dying curse, praying that their children for seven generations might be as helpless as she was.

Bankrupt Sale.
As Assignee of H. B. Peters, a Bankrupt, I will offer for sale at the Court House door in Charlotte, on Saturday the 31st day of April, 1871, the interest of said Peters in Lot No. 416, in Square 60, on 7th Street, being the lot which he purchased from John T. Lear.
Also, one Share of Stock in the Char. & S. C. Railroad.
Also, about \$2,500 in old N. C. Bank Notes, principally on the Bank of Lexington.
Terms, cash. S. P. ALEXANDER,
March 6, 1871. 4w Assignee.

DALLAS M. RIGLER,
No. 5 Granite Row, CHARLOTTE, N. C.
(Next door to Meacham's Book & Shoe Store).
Has in Store a large assortment of the following goods:
Candies, Raisins, Jellies, Pickles, Crackers of all kinds, Cakes, Figs, Dates and Fruits of all sorts, Tobacco, Snuff and Sevens, &c.
To which he invites the attention of all who wish to buy anything in that line.
He is prepared to furnish weddings or parties with Cakes at short notice.
Oct. 31, 1870. D. M. RIGLER.

Stoves, Tin & Sheet Iron Ware.
Always on hand the best STOVES in the market. Speck's Chloride, Excelsior, Columbia and Live-Aok Cooking Stoves, Bath and Parlor Stoves, Tin and Sheet Iron Ware, Hollow Ware, Japanese Ware, and various Housekeeping Articles.
All wares and work warranted as represented.
Orders respectfully solicited.
Feb 28, 1870. D. H. EYERLY.

Notice against Trespassing.
The undersigned hereby warn all persons against trespassing on their Farms and Lands in Gaston county, either by landing with or without dogs, or passing through their premises, and throwing down fences. We have suffered so much annoyance and loss that we have determined to enforce the law against any who violate this notice, without regard to color, race, or previous conduct.
J. SPRINGS DAVIDSON,
R. A. DAVIDSON.
Feb 27, 1871.

Great Discovery in OIL! OIL!!
The undersigned, a practical manufacturer, has for the past 12 years been experimenting with and compounding LUBRICATING OIL. He has lately made a new and important discovery in the laws governing fatty substances, such as OILS, whereby the gummy matter can be detached from the Oil and precipitated to the bottom, leaving a perfectly pure OIL for LUBRICATING PURPOSES. He has applied this discovery to Oils intended for machinery, and produced an OIL WARRANTED not to heat or gum, and as durable as the best of Spem. The best Judges cannot tell it from pure Spem either by taste or smell.
Warranted to give satisfaction or returned at my expense.
Refer to L. C. Jones, President Fayetteville & Cold Fields Railroad, Fayetteville, N. C.; Jno. Shav, President Beaver Creek Manufacturing Company, Fayetteville, N. C.; Col. J. W. Leak, President Great Falls Manufacturing Company, Rockingham, N. C.
Send for a sample of the Artificial Spem, and it will be sent forward free of cost.
Feb 13, 1871. HENRY G. HALL,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Garden Seeds! Garden Seeds!!
CROP 1870.
Just received at
SCARR'S DRUG STORE.
A large and carefully selected Stock of
GARDEN SEEDS,
Especially including those varieties suitable to the Southern climate.
Feb 6, 1871. F. SCARR.

1871. GARDEN SEED! 1871.
Landreth's Warranted Garden Seed!
A large and fresh supply of these celebrated Seed have just been received from Philadelphia. Also, Clover and Orchard Grass.
Call and supply yourself with Catalogue.
A. R. NISBET & BRO.,
KILGORE & CURETON,
Springs Corner.
Jan 16, 1871.

GARDEN SEED, CLOVER SEED AND GRASS SEED,
At McAden's Corner Drug Store.
A large supply of Garden Seeds, both Landreth's and Peck's, fresh and genuine, just received at McAden's Corner Drug Store.
Call and get a Garden Manual for 1871.
Feb 13, 1871.

Buist's Warranted Garden Seeds.
A full line of the above Seeds just received at
WILSON & BLACK'S.
Clover and Grass Seed.
40 Bushels Clover Seed,
30 " Orchard Grass Seed,
10 " Timothy "
10 " Herd's Grass "
Lucerne and Lawn Grass, at
WILSON & BLACK'S Drug Store,
next to Stenhouse, Macaulay & Co's.
Jan 23, 1871.

E. H. GREEN, M. D.,
Member of the American Medical Association of Philadelphia, late Physician and Assistant Surgeon to the Philadelphia Bellevue Institute for the treatment of all forms of Chronic Diseases, assisted by
A. H. LINDLEY, M. D.
Direct from the above-named Institute.
May be consulted at their Office in CHARLOTTE, N. C., with reference to CANCERS, SCROFULA, all diseases of the Throat and Lungs, Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels, diseases of the Nervous System, as Nervous Debility, Chorea, Epilepsy, Fits, Spasms, Neuralgia, &c. Also, all forms of diseases peculiar to females, all forms of private diseases, and in fact all chronic or long standing and obscure diseases of every kind.
Office Hours, 7 to 8 A. M., 1 to 4 and 7 to 9 P. M.
Feb 13, 1871. 2mpd

A TOOTHLESS PEOPLE.—Terrible times in Warrington, Va., are thus depicted by the editor of the Sentinel:

"A few weeks ago a dentist came to town and advertised that he would 'remove all of a person's teeth for \$2 and insert a new set for \$10, besides giving six months' credit.' The Warrington people are very fond of bargains, so there was a rush for the dentist's office. He was busy for two weeks pulling teeth, and at the end of that time half the people had empty gums, and a bone dust factory in the neighborhood doubled its workmen, so as to grind up the teeth. Meanwhile the people were waiting for the dentist to fit them with new sets, the abandoned soul and eloped with the hotel keeper's wife; and now there are two or three thousand people in town who cannot eat anything tougher than soup and farina. All the butchers have failed, and not a cracker has been sold for three weeks. One man, it is said, whittled out a set of wooden teeth for himself, but the first drink of whisky he took—Warrington whisky—set them in a blaze, and his funeral came off the next day. The dentist will hear of something greatly to his disadvantage if he comes back."

As we stand by the sea shore and watch the huge tides come in, we retreat, thinking we will be overwhelmed; soon, however, they flow back. So with the waves of trouble in the world; they threaten us, but a firm resistance makes them break at our feet.

New Cotton Planter.
The undersigned calls the attention of Cotton raisers to an invention of his for planting the seed. It does the work better than it can be done by hand and saves the labor of two hands and a horse. It took a premium at the Mechanics' Fair.
A specimen of the Machine can be seen at Cook & Elyson's Shops, or at the Store of E. C. Grier & Co. Address me at Charlotte.
Feb 27, 1871. R. F. NORWOOD.

CASH or CREDIT.
We will sell THE GENUINE PACIFIC GUANO to our Farmers this season at SIXTY DOLLARS per ton Cash or SEVENTY DOLLARS per ton payable November 15th WITHOUT INTEREST, note and good security required.
This Fertilizer has been well tried by Farmers in this section and is generally pronounced
Equal to the Best, Inferior to none.
Farmers wishing to pay for their Fertilizers in Cotton to be delivered in the Fall, can be accommodated.
Remember that we offer a premium of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS OF GENUINE PACIFIC GUANO to the farmer who makes the greatest amount of Cotton on an acre from the use of Pacific Guano.
BURROUGHS & SPRINGS.

LIME.
Catawba Lime, Genuine Rockport Lime, Fresh Rosendale Cement, Calcined Plaster, Lard Plaster and Standard Fertilizers.
A good assortment of all kinds of Liquors.
For sale by
BURROUGHS & SPRINGS.
March 6, 1871.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.
I have in Store next door below Bryce's building, a large stock of
Family Groceries,
And everything which a City consumer or Farmer may need, such as
Molasses, Sugar, Coffee, Salt, Cotton Ties, Bagging and Rope, Bacon, Corn, Flour, Fish, &c.
A good assortment of all kinds of Liquors.
For sale low for Cash only.
Feb 27, 1871. B. M. PRESSON.

Groceries and Confectioneries.
We beg leave to call the attention of the generous public to the fact that we are in receipt of, and are daily receiving a full line of the following goods, viz: Groceries, Candies, Confectioneries, Tobacco, Snuff and Sevens, Toys, Musical Instruments, &c., which we are prepared to sell as low as any other house in the City, wholesale or retail. Give us a call. 2 hours West of Brem, Brown & Co. near the Court House, on Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.
A. R. NISBET & BRO.

Groceries, &c.
100 Sacks Rio Coffee, 50 Barrels A. C and extra C Sugars, Hesson and Black Teas, New Orleans, Dismara and Common Molasses; 40 Tubs Pure and Leaf Lard, 50 Boxes Adamantine Candles, 100 Boxes No. 1 Herrings; Mackereel in barrels, half barrels, quarter barrels and kits; Soda in barrels and boxes; Early Rose and Goodrich Potatoes in barrels; Spice, Pepper, Ginger, Nutmegs and Cloves, Buckets, Pails, Tubs, Brooms and Baskets, Shoe Brushes and Blacking, Powder and Shot, Washing, Toilet and the celebrated Tar healing Soaps.
A. R. NISBET & BRO.

Candies and Confectioneries.
Assorted Stick Candies, various colors and flavors; Price Candies, Shoo Fly, Maidens Blush, Cash Bank and Specific Barks; 100 Boxes Layer Raisins, in whole, halves and quarter boxes; Soda, Sugar and Lemon Crackers; Brazil Nuts, Walnuts, Filibuts and Almonds; Toys of all kinds, Violins and other Musical Instruments.
Tobacco, Snuff and Clears of all the various brands at prices to suit customers.
All of the above goods were bought at the lowest possible figures, expressly for the jobbing trade, and will be sold cheap.
Merchants and others are specially invited to call and see us before buying.
A. R. NISBET & BRO.,
Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.
Feb 13, 1871.

CAROLINA FERTILIZER.
Price Reduced to \$50 per Ton, Cash, or \$55 on Time, with 7 per cent interest.
Approved by Planters generally, and (after analysis) by Prof. W. C. KEIR, State Geologist.
A Full Supply on Hand.
For Pamphlets, containing full particulars and recommendations of numerous Planters, apply to
DEROSSSETT & CO., State Agents,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Or to the following Local Agents:
SANDERS, OATES & CO., Charlotte, N. C.
A. B. BRIZELL, Laurinburg.
E. R. LILES, Lilesville.
T. D. WINCHESTER, Monroe.
FOSTER, HOLMES & CO., Salisbury.
C. F. LOWE, Lexington.
R. J. BELL & CO., High Point.
UPDEGRUE & DODD, Raleigh.
M. W. JARVIS, Wilson.
WOOTEN & CROOM, LaGrange.
LEAK, SPENCER & CO., Rockingham.
Local Agents wanted in every town in the State. Apply to the State Agents, Wilmington, N. C.
Feb 27, 1871.

A Story of Western Hanging.
[From the Rochester Union.]
Several years ago, when the West was a comparatively new country, an individual presented himself at the door of a log grocery in the settlement of which we write and asked if there was a judge in the place. Upon being informed that the storekeeper himself was a judge, the stranger proceeded:

"Well, Judge, you see the facts of the case is this: I war travelin' along with a partner down here a piece, an' he showed me a silver dollar which he had. Well, I wanted the money, and when he wasn't lookin' I popped him under the ear with my pistol. Then I took his silver and tobacco and went along; but I got to thinkin' the matter over, and I don't think I did just the right thing by my partner. My consuns has been troublein' me, and I think I ought to be hung. Now, Judge, if it wouldn't be too much trouble, I'd like to have you try me and have me hung. If you doubt the facts in the case, there's the dollar I took from my partner, and you'll find his remains down the road a piece under a log. I'll feel obliged to you, Judge, if you will save me."

The Judge told the stranger to make himself comfortable at the hotel, until he could send some men down the road and investigate the matter, and if they found the body he would call a jury and try the stranger as was desired. The dead man being found, the Judge summoned a jury, and sent word to the stranger at the hotel, that if he would step over to the store, they would give him a trial.
The stranger appeared immediately, shook hands with the Judge and jury, invited the court to take a drink, and appeared grateful and satisfied with the proceedings.
The trial proceeded socially, and the tenderhearted jury brought in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the 1 deg. A look of anxiety, which the stranger had worn up to this time, faded from his face as he stood up to receive his sentence. "You have been found guilty," said the Judge, "of the crime of manslaughter, for which you are undoubtedly penitent." Here the stranger again began to get anxious and uneasy.

"And if," continued the Judge, "it meets with your approbation, we will try and hang you next Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock A. M. In the meantime try and make yourself as comfortable as the hotel is possible."
The stranger looked a little sad, and the Judge asked him if he wasn't satisfied? "If there was anything he could do for him?" "Judge, I hate to be particular and fussy," said the stranger, "but havin' the ager and fever, the chills come on at 10 o'clock in the mornin', an' if you could have me swing off before that I should feel obliged."
"Of course," said the Judge, "we always respect a party's feelings. No trouble at all. Come round at 9 o'clock and may we'll get through before church time."
Sunday morning at 9 o'clock the stranger came out of the hotel and proceeded to the grocery. There he met a deputation of citizens, one of whom threw a lariat over the limb of a tree, and as soon as the stranger had taken a chew of tobacco and shaken hands all round, they hauled him up.

EDWIN GLOVER,
Watch Maker and Jeweler,
(Tryon Street, between the Store of Mrs. Query and Mr. Frankenthal's).
Has just received a large addition to his Stock, consisting of GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, Gold and Silver Chains, Breast Pins, Ear Rings, Finger Rings, Lockets, Gold and Silver Thumbes, Spectacles and a variety of other Goods which he will sell very cheap for cash. Call and examine them.
Very particular attention paid to repairing of all kinds of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry.
March 13, 1871.

J. W. KIRBY, W. C. GRAHAM,
New Store and New Goods.
KIRBY & GRAHAM,
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Confectioneries, Groceries, &c., &c.

We are old hands at the Bellows, and understand our business, and would respectfully invite the attention of the public to our stock of
Confectioneries, Groceries AND FANCY GOODS.
We have on hand and are constantly receiving a well selected stock of Confectioneries and Groceries. Give us a call.
Next Door below Brem, Brown & Co's Hardware Store, Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.
March 6, 1871.

NEW GOODS.
We have received a lot of extra fine Calico worth any Ladies' while to come and buy.
BARRINGER & WOLFE.
Closing out Hardware.
We have a lot of Hardware, such as Anvils, Vices, Hammers, Augurs, Chisels, Drawing Knives, Files, and Mill Saws, which we will give bargains in.
Jan 9, 1871. BARRINGER & WOLFE.

CHARLES SKINNER,
Candy Manufacturer,
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Groceries and Confectioneries,
Says that he manufactures better CANDY than any brought from the Northern markets, and it will keep longer.
If you don't believe it call and try it.
SKINNER has also on hand a good assortment of everything usually found in a first class house, consisting of
CANDY of his own manufacture,
French Candies, Gold Medal Cigars, Jellies, Nuts, Lord Byron Cigars, Brandy Peaches, Good Cigars.

Prime Family Flour,
Sugar, Coffee, Black and Green Teas, Cheese, Snuff of all kinds, Matches, Cheating and Smoking Tobacco, Pipes (Merchand and other grades), Soda, Spice, Ginger, Peppor, Canned Oysters, Lobsters, Peaches and Pine Apples, Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Accordeons, Harmoniums and other musician instruments.
If you don't see what you want ask for it, and you will be glad to get it.
If you want Cakes, &c., for your wedding supper or a party, go to
CHAS. SKINNER'S,
24 Tryon Street, (Parks' building).
Charlotte, N. C.
Feb 27, 1871.

The Future.

The future of North Carolina is destined to be onward and upward. For ten years our State has been convulsed with war, reconstruction, and the anarchy resulting from the latter. These powerful agencies for retarding progress, have done their work on us within that time, but our State survives the drain and has made a very perceptible increase in population. As to wealth, we have but little of that left; but we have our soils and the muscular power necessary for evoking therefrom a supply of all things necessary for human comfort. Enough of capital remains to enable our people to utilize the bountiful provision which nature has made for us, and with a better and more economical State government which we confidently expect in the future, there is no reason why the next *decennium* should not be marked by a progress far greater than that which has been made during the last ten years.

The history of cotton culture shows that cotton is as profitable a crop in North Carolina as anywhere else. It is true that we do not make as great a turn out per acre as Louisiana or Texas. But this difference is counterbalanced by superior facilities for obtaining labor, by better social advantages and a far better climate.

The statistical tables published by the Department of Agriculture, bear us out in claiming for our State superior productivity in cotton to South Carolina, Georgia, Florida or Alabama. Georgia cultivates more than three times the area cultivated by North Carolina in cotton, but does not produce three times the amount, notwithstanding the very extensive and lavish use of the commercial fertilizers by the people of our sister State. The average production of Georgia is 173 pounds, that of North Carolina 175 lbs. lint cotton per acre, for the year just closed. The production of South Carolina and Alabama is 163 lbs. each. Mississippi which stands at the head of the list of cotton producing States made 205 lbs. per acre which is only 30 lbs. per acre above the average of this State. And a great portion of it was produced in the Mississippi swamps where a white man can hardly live. Much of the cotton land in North Carolina is in a pleasant healthy country with good water, good social advantages, and improvements in the way of buildings, &c. In the great revolution of the wheel of fortune we have reached the lowest point. From now henceforth we must begin to ascend.—*Carolina Farmer.*

A NATURAL CURIOSITY IN FLORIDA.
Silver Spring, Florida, is one of the greatest curiosities in the South. It bursts forth in the midst of the most fertile country in the State. It bubbles up in a basin near one hundred feet deep and about an acre in extent, and sending from it a deep stream sixty to one hundred feet wide, and extending six to eight miles to Ocklawaha River. In the spring itself fifty boats may lie at anchor—quite a fleet. The spring thus forms a natural inland port, to which three steamers now run regularly from the St. John's making close connections with the ocean steamers at Palatka. The clearness of the water is truly wonderful. It seems even more transparent than air; you see the bottom eighty feet below the bottom of your boat, the exact form of the smallest pebble, the outline and color of the leaf that has sunk, and all the prismatic colors of the rainbow are reflected. Large fish swim in it, every scale visible and every movement distinctly seen. If you go over the spring in a boat you will see the fissures in the rocks, from which the river pours upward like an inverted cataract.

The following is the conclusion of an epitaph on a tombstone in East Tennessee: "She lived a life of virtue and died of the cholera morbus, caused by eating green fruit in the late hope of a blessed immortality, at the early age of 21 years, 7 months and 16 days. Reader, go thou and do likewise."

Ned Shuter thus explained his reasons for preferring to wear stockings with holes in them to having them darned: "A hole may be the accident of a day, and will pass upon the best gentlemen, but a darn is premeditated poverty."

Keep clear of a man who does not value his own character.

Patronize our Own SERIES OF SCHOOL BOOKS.
Sterling's Southern Readers and Spellers are the cheapest and best published. The Copy Books at my Store retail at 15 cents, and have as good or better copies than any other Books in the market.
The 1st Reader returns at 25 cents.
" 2d " " " 50 "
" 3d " " " 60 "
" 4th " " " 90 "
" 5th " " " 1.00
A liberal discount to Teachers, as I wish to encourage all who patronize me.
I also have a fine Stock of Wall Paper, Window Shades, both cloth and Paper; a well assorted Stock of School Books of all kinds suitable for all portions of the South.
Chromes, Oil Paintings, Photographs, Lithographs, Steel Engravings, &c. The Photograph of Gen. Lee, 10x12, framed for \$1.
Blank Books, Memorandums, Inks of all colors, both writing and copying.
A large and well selected stock of Family and Pulpit Bibles from \$1 to \$20.
All would do well to call and see me before going elsewhere, as I will make liberal deductions to all.
Call at the City Book Store.
JOHN W. GUNNELS,
No. 2, Tryon Street, opposite Mansion House.
March 13, 1871.

THE OLD AND RELIABLE New York Life Insurance Company.
Capital - - \$16,000,000.
Insure in this old and reliable Company, where you will receive a large profit while living, and the certainty that your wife and children will be provided for at your death.
Agents wanted, to whom a liberal commission will be given. Apply to
JOHN A. BYRNE,
General Agent for North Carolina,
March 6, 1871. 6t
Wilmington, N. C.

Fashionable Tippling.

A few years since a great deal of animated discussion, attended by no little acrimony, was occasioned by a statement of a New York journal that many fashionable ladies of that city were addicted to excessive tippling. Despite indignant denials, investigation exhibited many evidences confirmatory of the statement. English journals at once seized the occasion to make good an indictment of society in this country. The London Saturday Review, that able and brilliant exponent of English critical acumen and taste, so much given to sharp censure and ridicule of the errors and extravagances of this country, was unusually severe in its condemnation of what it regarded the greatest evil America had yet developed.
Assuredly we have no special interest in the vindication of the women of New York or of any other Northern city, against any charge affecting their morality. Yet we cannot disguise amusement at the discomfiture to which the Saturday Review is itself subjected, by having to admit the prevalence among English women of the very evil which it so severely satirized when proven against the wives and daughters of the purse-proud moneycrats of Gotham.

According to the Saturday Review, bibulous females are distressingly numerous in England, and are to be found in the best-bred and most highly educated circles as well as among those who have enjoyed more limited opportunities. Inebriety is no longer a rarity even in the saloons of the aristocracy.
To the aid of the Saturday Review comes that well known medical journal, the London Lancet, which depreciates the exhibition of alcohol as a remedy for disease, and hints that out of such prescriptions has grown the fashion which assimilates the nectar-drinking divinities of Olympus to the glibbers of the tippling shops. Overstimulation has done its work, and there comes the need for the irregular or periodic glass. When the absence of this is felt as an inconvenience, then the downhill career is commenced, and in man or woman alike it tends to a certain result, both lamentable and disgraceful. The will power is gone, and the victim is weak and intellectual to resist, in presence of any shock, mental or physical, and there is no end of the shifts and tricks to which he or she will not resort to procure the desired draught. Asmodeus himself would be baffled by their superior cunning.

The London Practitioner supports the theory of the Lancet by interesting details. It bewails "the increasing prevalence of alcoholic excess among educated women." Many ladies in the best London society, the editor says, drink so much sherry per day that they absorb from an ounce and a half to six ounces of alcohol. Many young girls take their two or three ounces of alcohol each day, a quantity equal to three or four quarts of beer. They find it in the champagne of the evening party, and the wine at lunch and at dinner. They vie with the lords of creation in the consumption of these fluids. The Practitioner says the effect is most disastrous—the lady suffers a daily narcotization which suffices to implant in her sensitive system a fixed craving for alcoholic drinks.

New York journals reproduce these statements of English journals with a satisfaction not altogether unnatural, and while they do not doubt their truthfulness, yet candidly admit that the lifting of the veil upon New York society would disclose similar results. The Commercial Advertiser is fearful of the existence of the evil of intemperance in New York even to an extent greater than known facts indicate.

BECHER AND THE SAVIOUR.—The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher recently delivered a discourse on the "Life of Christ." The speaker's object was to prove that our Saviour's life was one of joy. "His crucifixion as portrayed in the Moravian hymns," the reverend gentleman exclaimed, "was enough to drive one wild." There were some people who at stated times forced themselves into a minor key of soul, in order to sympathize with our Saviour's sufferings. He would as soon essay such a thing as attempt to walk from New York to Europe under water.

A gentleman here rose and said that he had always believed Christ to be a man of sorrow. He had suffered for the love of men. Mr. Beecher declared that because Christ had suffered intensely it did not follow that he should endure perpetual agony to prove his love for us. Suppose an erring, discarded child, lying prostrate with fever, sees an angel with a mother's face bending over it. That mother tends until the fever has abated and the child is well. The fact would demonstrate the tenderness of a mother's love, but it would not be necessary for her to tend the sufferer for a lifetime in order to prove her affection.

Mr. Beecher added that Christ was a healthy man—emphatically a joyful and active man. He once went to a wedding which must have consumed fifteen days, and created gallons of wine to prolong the festivities. At this wedding our Saviour appears to have conducted himself simply as a guest, and mingled with others on terms of social equality.

FACTS.—Nineveh was fourteen miles long, eight wide and forty miles round, with a wall one hundred feet high, and thick enough for three chariots abreast. Babylon was 50 miles within the walls, which were 75 feet thick and 100 feet high, with 100 brazen gates. The temple of Diana, at Ephesus, was a hundred years in building. The largest of the pyramids is 431 feet high, and 653 on the sides. Its base covers 11 acres. The stones are about 60 feet in length, and the layers are 203. It employed 330,000 men in building. The labyrinth in Egypt contains 300 cingers and 12 halls. Thebes, in Egypt, presents ruins 20 miles around. Athens was 25 miles around, and contained 359,000 citizens and 400 slaves. The walls of Rome were 13 miles around.