

THE WILSON ADVANCE.

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Editors and Proprietors.

THE ADVANCE endeavors to do an honest, faithful and impartial chronicle of the news, directing special attention to the section in which it is published. It is Democratic in its aims and will support the friends of Democracy in its efforts to bring about a more efficient government of the State and Nation. It will take pleasure in doing whatever lies in its power to aid the farmers and laboring men in their efforts to better their condition. Every honest man of the State and Nation is invited to contribute to the establishment of more and better educational institutions will receive our hearty cooperation and endorsement.

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A WORD OF WARNING.

The ADVANCE believes it to be the duty of a newspaper to do something more than merely chronicle the news and labor for the success of the political party whose cause it espouses. We believe that the news should be given and we have no use for a newspaper that does not labor unceasingly for the party to which it belongs. While all this is the duty of a newspaper there are yet other duties that newspapers owe the community that support them. We shall endeavor, as we have in the past, to give the news, to labor unflinchingly for the cause of Democracy and, so far as it lies in our power, to do what we can to be of service to the community in every good work.

If there is anything that saps from a man all that is noble and good—that transforms a man made in the image of God into a heartless wretch more quickly than does gambling, it has never been our lot to know of it. Wilson has always enjoyed the reputation of being a moral town—a town in which the baser vices did not flourish because the people would not permit them to live. We are proud of that reputation and it is because of our love for Wilson that we propose directing the attention of our people to two places that threaten the welfare of the community more than anything else in our midst. Nearly every man in the community (except, of course, our vigilant Town Authorities) knows that there is a gambling hell kept open in our midst. Night after night, day after day, and be it said with a blush of shame, even the hallowed Sabbath is desecrated by the gamblers in this hell.

The ADVANCE asks the Town Authorities why this is permitted? There has been a time when men who made a livelihood by keeping such places were arrested and the outraged law avenged. True it is that the men guilty at that time were not reared in our midst, but should that affect the course of justice.

We have no feeling in this matter other than to call the attention of the good people of the community to these traps set to ensnare the young and unwary.

Will the people sit still and permit these gambling hells to remain open to ensnare the rising generation? Will not the Grand Jury call the guilty parties to account if our Town Authorities are unable, with all their vigilance, to remedy the evil?

THE MESSAGE.

Mr. Cleveland's final message to Congress shows that he has not abated one particle in the theory with which he began his administration—that "a public office is a public trust" which must be discharged for the good of the people. With the same manliness and persistency that has marked all his official utterances, he again declares that unnecessary taxation is unjust, and does it with a fullness and iteration that show how deeply this principle has become welded into his convictions. In other words, you are impressed, in reading his message, that his public policy is not a mere pretext for partisan ends against the course of his opponents, but as in reality the product of his conscience. His presentation of this subject in the present message, in point of brevity, comprehensiveness and simplicity, does not equal the document upon which the campaign was fought, but it is nevertheless characterized by the same firmness and statesmanlike tone. Perhaps the most striking feature of this message is his severe castigation of our legislators for giving precedence to bills relating to private corporate interests over those that pertain to the welfare of the whole people. Of Mr. Cleveland it may be said with a truthfulness which could not apply to his predecessors, and, according to present appearances, will probably not apply to his immediate successor, that in his purposes he has endeavored to grasp the whole country without reference to section, race, or condition. As the last authorized expression of principle of the only Democratic administration in twenty-five years, it may be registered as the crowning effort of the only public official who has dared to call back the guardians of our national interests to the purpose for which the government was founded.

The man whose only argument is abuse is in the wrong or else a fool.

HELP US.

The Wilson ADVANCE has begun to fight the custom of licensing gamblers and swindlers by the managers of agricultural fairs. That is very well, but unless there is an improvement in the most of the fairs that we know anything about, on the score of gambling, swindling, racing, &c., it might be still better to begin the fight against the fairs themselves.—Statesville Advocate.

The ADVANCE believes that the Agricultural Fairs are means of accomplishing great good and therefore it is that it proposes to fight the inexcusable violation of law that is permitted—aye, even licensed to be carried on at these fairs. We believe that unless the soulless devils who are permitted to infest and disgrace our agricultural fairs are driven out and their unlawful swindling of the people stopped, that an enlightened public sentiment will place the fairs under a ban, and withdraw the cooperation and support of the law-abiding people. We believe that the welfare of the agricultural fairs demands that these emissaries of hell shall be tolerated no longer and we call upon all who believe that the law should be enforced—that the public shall be protected against thieves, to join with us in our efforts to remove from our agricultural fairs this foul blot.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 12, 1888.
There is great need of a new law for securing the working of the Public Roads. The present law has given us miserable roads and it is an unjust law. It compels the man who has nothing to contribute as much to the working of the public roads as a man worth one hundred thousand dollars. Any system that is so burdensome and so unjust to the poorer class of our population ought to be changed. I have always advocated a mixed system of keeping up the public roads. I think a small tax ought to be levied on all property owners for that purpose and that in addition to the tax every man ought to be compelled to work the roads a given number of days. This will make every man contribute his quota to the keeping of good roads, but it will not unjustly tax the poor as much as the rich are made to pay. The men most competent to devise a good system of securing public roads are the farmers, who compose seventy-five per cent. of our population. They are everywhere discussing methods and endeavoring to agree upon a wise measure. I trust that they will make one that will please the people and will give us better roads.

The Senatorial contest is an uncertain quantity. Ransom's friends are confident of victory. Those who oppose him say that the issue is doubtful. I do not pretend to know anything about it. Nobody knows whether either Alexander or Jarvis will be a candidate. The only declared candidates now in the field are Ransom and Waddell. They are all able men and the State would make no mistake between four men so well qualified for the high office.

The ADVANCE notes with peculiar pleasure the favor with which the candidacy of Brother V. W. Long, the editor of the Winston Sentinel, meets. He is a candidate for Engrossing Clerk of the House of Representatives, and we can truthfully say that we know of few men whose promotion to and position they may desire would give us more pleasure than the promotion of Mr. Long. He is a young man of sterling integrity—a man of brains and thought and his heart always beats in sympathy with the right. His election would be the recognition of a man who merits recognition and promotion in the service of the State.

It is with pleasure we endorse Josephus Daniels, the talented editor of the State Chronicle, for the position of Public Printer and hope to see him elected. If a man in North Carolina deserves the position, he is the one.—Smithfield Herald.

MILLINERY.

I have on hand a full line of MILLINERY Which will be sold very cheap.— Also a nice line of Gloves, Jewelry Muffs &c Zephyrs at 75c per ounce or 4 for 25c. I have a nice lot of Christmas Goods which will sell cheap. It will pay you to call and examine my stock before purchasing.

MRS. S. I. GRIFFIN,
Next door to Hadley & Briggs.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF WILSON COTTON MILLS.
The seventh annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Wilson Cotton Mills will be held in the Court House in Wilson, Tuesday, January 1st, 1889, at 7 o'clock p. m., at which officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

J. W. GULICK, Secretary.

Barnes' School,
TOISNOT, N. C.
(FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.)

LARGE, WELL FURNISHED SCHOOL ROOMS. Course of Study Thorough and Practical. Spring Session begins Jan'y 15, 1889. For further information address W. S. BARNES, Principal.

CASH CATCHES THE BARGAINS.

The Racket Store.

The rash for HOLIDAY GOODS for honest value has increased. THIS IS NO PLACE FOR BIG PROFITS.

We do not pile two or three hundred per cent on Christmas Goods.—Our business—A CASH ONE—demands honest goods and low prices. This is the place for you to find Presents suited to all tastes at prices so low as to make you look in amazement. We can sell you a Flush Photo Album worth \$2.50 for \$1.24. A Plush Photo Album worth \$3.50 for \$1.64 and a Plush Photo Album worth \$5.00 for \$2.11. We have also a beautiful assortment of Christmas Cards, Plush Mirrors, Plush Photo Frames, Autograph Albums &c. At one-half the price asked by other houses. When we come to the DOLLS, it is difficult to describe a family composed of so many, at any rate we have every size, every quality including the exquisite BISQUE and KID BODY DOLLS, which are pronounced the most beautiful children in the town and our prices are in many instances below the cost prices of other houses. The next is the largest, best and cheapest line of SILK HANDKERCHIEFS ever seen in the State. KID GLOVES for gentlemen and ladies, we have them, the best quality, nothing nicer for Christmas gifts. Our trade in regular every day goods such as Underwear, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Corsets &c., is booming.

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CHRISTMAS

Purchase and get the Lowest Price. The largest stock in this line will begin to

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DISPLAY
Itself This Day--Thursday, Dec. 13th.

Bulbs! Bulbs!!

Hyacinths, Tulips,

Narcissus.

ALL COLORS. ALL COLORS.

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Albums, Scrap Books,
Whisk Holders, Wall Pockets.
WRITING DESKS,
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Plush Goods, Fine Perfumes &c.,

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WE
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Solid Leather Boot

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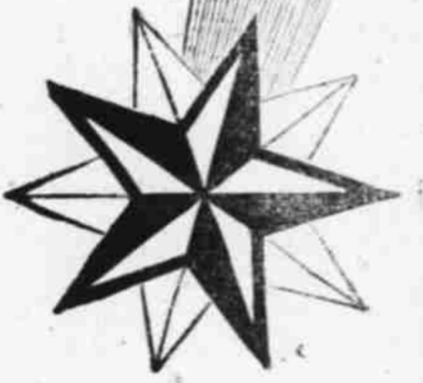
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Shoes.

WE
Are Selling
BRUSSELS
CARPETING
At 45cts. per Yard.

Examine Our Stock.

M. Rountree & Co.



If Our Goods Do Not Please You

BRING THEM BACK

And Get Your Money Back is Our

GUARANTEE.

WE WANT TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION

To the best Line of OVERCOATS in Wilson. We have the best overcoat in heavy weight goods—something to keep you warm at 3.37. And then if you want the Finest Goods that are made, with the latest thing in Silk Trimmings, something that other stores will ask you 17.50, we can sell you the same coat at 10.00, and when you want a nice Suit of Clothes we can save you Five Dollars and give you the nicest fit you ever had. We would call your especial attention to our

Boys' and Youths' Clothing, something that is Solid Wool and will wear you twelve months. We handle nothing but goods that will give good wear and they all say that we are Headquarters on Pants. If you want something for wear 1.25 is all we ask, and if you want the Finest Goods that is made we can give you Seven Dollar Pants for only Four Dollars.

YOUNG BROS.

THEY HAVE GOT HERE.

—We mean our Third Stock of—

Fine Derbys,

and if you don't come quick they will be gone again. ONE HUNDRED Two and Three Dollar Hats for One Dollar and Twenty-five cents. Match them up with any Two Dollar and Fifty cent Hat in Wilson and if they are not just as Good we will give you the Hat.

We have just received Five Hundred FELT HATS in high and low crowns, Finest Goods that is sold, for two and three dollars, we are selling at One Dollar and Twenty-five cents.

YOUNG BROS.

WHEN WE BEGIN TO TALK SHOES

We do not know where to begin, but if you want something good we have got the best thing in a High Cut English Tie for One Dollar and Twenty-five cents. The shoe is sold all over Wilson at Two Dollars a pair. And then if you want something to go courting in, we have just got in FIVE HUNDRED Pair Bottom, Last and Congress. Something that is Pretty, Nice and Stylish at 1.25, warranted Solid throughout.

In BOOTS we are selling Solid Stock Boots at 1.60; Nice Calf skin Boots at 2.00; the Best Boots for 2.50.

All we ask is a Comparison of Price and Quality and if we do not save you money we will not ask you to buy.

YO UNC BROS.

Young Bros.