

CHINA MATTINGS.

Yesterday the entire sidewalk in front of our store was filled with China Mattings. This was an import order given on the fourteenth of November, 1889, and they arrived yesterday from the Celestial Empire. These Mattings are not the old stereotyped patterns which have been doing service since the days of our great grandfathers, but they are entirely new and very artistic. Many of them are prettier than the grain carpeting. You will find us just as well fixed on Mattings as on Dress Goods and Trimmings. We have no weak point in our whole stock. Today has been disagreeable, yet many have faced the rain and have come to the Mecca for Dress Goods buyers, and from now on it will be anything you want. Don't you know that a rainy day is the best day to shop. Not so crowded, plenty of time and very best of attention. Yesterday was a red letter day among the French Robes, Dress Goods, Bengallines and Lace Nets, and we were kept here till one o'clock this morning straightening the stock. We never get tired. We are always too busy to think about it. West window will be full of Mattings tomorrow morning.

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LOCAL RIPPLES.

—Mr. T. F. Walker has taken out a license as an auctioneer for the city.

—Subscribers to the telephone exchange will please put THE DAILY NEWS, No. 30, on their lists.

—Mrs. Yates is moving to the residence which she purchased from Mr. John Stephens, on West 7th street.

—At the next meeting of the board of county commissioners the tax list takers for the various townships in the county will be appointed.

—Miss Bettie Summey is quite sick with typhoid fever at her father's home in Asheville. Her sister, Miss Ella Summey, left yesterday to be with her.

—A colored man named Henry Campbell was today sent to the chain gang in default of a fine of \$10 by Esquire Maxwell for refusing to support his wife and children.

—The W. C. T. U. will meet at the residence of Mrs. John Glenn, corner of C and Tenth streets, tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at 4 o'clock. All the members are urged to be present.

—The Wilmington Star is now 22½ years old. It certainly does seem that the older the Star grows the better it gets. It has always been a capital paper, but within our recollection it was never so good as it is at present. It is easily one of the finest dailies in the South.

—The funeral services over the body of the late J. J. Bruner were conducted from the Presbyterian church in Salisbury at 4 o'clock by Rev. Dr. Rumpel. Mr. Bruner was one of the leading lights of that church. The attendance at the funeral was very large, and the services were of an impressive character.

—The blowing down of the Spartanburg & Union Railroad bridge, over Broad river, has turned a very considerable amount of Asheville travel through Charlotte. Every train brings from three to four sleeping cars, in addition to the regular coaches. Repairs to the bridge are being made rapidly.

At the Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

The concert and gymnastic exhibition at the Y. M. C. A. hall last night was largely attended, and a very superior entertainment was given. The concert was brief, but the programme was exceedingly well selected and was presented faultlessly. After the concert the gymnastic exhibition was given in the large and finely equipped gymnasium, and the young men astonished the audience by their capers. The horizontal bar performances were as good as that seen in the average circus. Mr. Bowman, the leader, is an expert, and is the right kind of a man for that place.

Building Improvements.

The Haberdasher's three story block, opposite the Buford Hotel, is to be enlarged by a 25 foot addition in the rear.

The old house standing on the lot recently purchased by Dr. Misenheimer, next to Capt. F. W. Ahrens', is being torn down, preparatory to the erection of Dr. Misenheimer's elegant new residence. Dr. Misenheimer's residence will be a modern city affair and will be an ornament to the city.

Father Boyle's New Trial.

Father Boyle, the Catholic priest, who was found guilty of an assault upon Miss Whittaker, his organist in Raleigh, but who was granted a new trial, appeared in the court house in Raleigh yesterday and was arraigned for a new trial. The News and Observer says: The date of the trial was set for Thursday, March 27th, and the sheriff was ordered to summon one hundred veniremen for the case. Father Boyle appeared in court with full grown beard and whiskers which makes a great difference in his appearance.

Alliance Rally for May 30th.

This week's issue of the Progressive Farmer says that "since the introduction of the Alliance into our State there have been more farmers' dinners, farmers' picnics, and farmers' gatherings than ever before in the same period of time within our history. And we feel equally safe in saying that these social occasions have contributed greatly to the fraternizing and unifying of our people. But numerous, pleasant and profitable as have been these gatherings, we believe a grand State occasion, where the farmers and their families of different sections of the State could meet has never been suggested. We believe such an occasion could be made not only highly enjoyable but productive of great good. We suggest, therefore, that the members of the Alliance begin to consider the matter, and as some one has to lead off with a first suggestion, The Progressive Farmer will venture to make it. This is a good idea. Let it be held in Charlotte on May 30th. This is a 'tip' for the committee.

For the best Norfolk Oysters go to Arndt's.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Mr. D. P. Lee Sustains the Loss of his Grist Mill, Saw Mill, Gin and a Quantity of Stored Seed and Hay.

Mr. D. P. Lee, one of the prominent farmers of Mecklenburg, sustained a disastrous loss by fire, yesterday. His fine milling plant, located in Sharon township, was swept away.

Mr. Lee had a cotton gin and a grist mill under one roof, and a saw mill attached to the main building. The main building was sixty feet square, and in addition to the machinery it contained, was stored with a great quantity of cotton seed and baled hay. Mr. Lee's saw mill was running yesterday and a spark from the smoke-stack lodged among the inflammable contents of the main building. Fire sprang up quickly and spread so fast that Mr. Lee was unable to save anything. The entire plant was burned to the ground, making a total loss. Mr. Lee had no insurance. The loss is a very heavy one, as his milling plant was one of the best equipped in the county.

Supreme Court Decisions.

The following decisions were rendered in the Supreme court yesterday: State vs. Jacobs, from Robeson, no error; McLean vs. Smith, from Robeson, error; Allred vs. Burns, from Moore, no error; State vs. Pool, from Moore, error, judgment arrested; Gay vs. Grant, from Northampton, petition to rehear in plaintiff's appeal dismissed, and that in defendant's appeal is to direct the original opinion to be reformed as to certain particulars; Freeman vs. Person, from Moore, affirmed; Duke vs. Markham, from Durham, no error in plaintiff's appeal; error in defendant's appeal; Proctor vs. Proctor, from Edgecombe, error; Creech vs. Granger, from Lenoir, error; Koonce vs. Commissioners, from Jones, new trial granted; Rose vs. Shaw, motion to dismiss allowed; Pioneer Manufacturing Co. vs. Phoenix Insurance Co., new trial granted.

Fired by an Engine.

Will A. Graham, one of the Central hotel waiters, lives in Margaret O'Neill's house, on Hill street where the Air Line road crosses. Last night at 12 o'clock, he was aroused by a loud knocking at his door, and was informed that his house was on fire. The roof was in a bright blaze, but with prompt assistance, the fire was extinguished. A hole big enough for a man to crawl through was burned in the roof. Freight train No. 20 had stopped there 15 or 20 minutes, and part of this time, Graham says, the fireman was "chinking up his fire." The fire was caused by sparks from the engine.

A Big Girder.

A big squad of workmen is engaged today tearing out the partition walls of Mr. S. Wittkowsky's wholesale house, preparatory to making the improvements mentioned a few days ago in THE NEWS. The two stores are to be thrown into one, a third story is to be added, and a fine plate glass front is to be put in. Outside the carpenters are today constructing an immense girder that is to run the length of the store. It is constructed of heavy plank joined together by iron bolts, and is 90 feet long. It will require forty men to get it into position.

Assaulted in the Road.

Jas. Stancill, an 8 year old son of Mr. J. W. Stancill, who lives four miles from the city, was driving along the public road yesterday, when he was assaulted by three colored boys, Ed, Joe and Henry Henderson. They tried to make Stancill's horse run off, and threw rocks at the boy. One rock struck him on the head and cut a severe gash in his scalp. Warrants were issued for the arrest of the assailants and they will be tried by Esquire Maxwell tomorrow.

Making the Tabernacle Waterproof.

There will be no leaks about the Sam Jones tabernacle in Charlotte. The roof is to be constructed of a layer of boards placed closely together, and on top of this will be a covering of tanned paper, which will not only keep out the rain, but deaden the sound of the falling drops. It requires 22,000 square feet of this paper to cover the tabernacle and it has been ordered from New York.

Evangelist Fife at Gastonia.

Evangelist Fife is shortly to begin a series of meetings at Gastonia, and the people of that town are making great preparations for him. They are negotiating for the lease of Arthur Butt's tent. This will seat 1,800 people.

Arndt sells the best 5 and 10 cent Cigars in Charlotte.

A Charlotte Man in the Storm.

Mr. W. A. Bossaman, Jr., of Charlotte, was at Sumter, S. C., during the storm of last Saturday. He sends THE NEWS the following description of some of the scenes and incidents: The cyclone lasted twenty minutes. Several new buildings which were nearly completed were entirely demolished, some being moved quite a distance from the foundation upon which the carpenter had placed them, one among the number being a frame building of two stories high with two store rooms underneath, and was newly completed, the tin roofing having just been placed upon it, and it was laid out in every direction, the timbers being split, shattered, and broken in such a manner that a person can hardly tell what the lumber had been intended for. Several old buildings of small dimensions were blown down and torn all to pieces. Two very large sheds at the W. C. & A. depot were blown down and torn into fragments, one of which fell upon a mule and wagon which was standing near, killing the mule and splintering the wagon. Another large shed, up town, attached to a large workshop, was blown down as was the shops, the shed falling on several head of horses and mules. Fortunately there were several vehicles in the shed, which prevented the full weight of the shed from coming on the stock, hence they were rescued with no damage to them save bruises, scratches, &c. Several dwellings were blown down, but only in one of which was any one hurt, that being a colored woman, and she was killed too dead to skin. Quite a number of buildings were unroofed and otherwise damaged, among which was the jail and the Baptist church. So far as known and summed up the damage to property in this town will amount to ten or fifteen thousand dollars. To say the least of it, and put it in a very mild form, it was terrific, and very much resembled a cyclone.

All Ready Now for the 20th.

Arrangements for the coming celebration of the 20th of May, in Charlotte, are now well under way. At the meeting at the court house last night, committees to look after the whole business were appointed, and from this on there will be smooth sailing. The committee in whose hands the arrangements for the celebration are entrusted is composed of H. C. Eccles, C. P. Lipscomb, R. Arndt, E. K. P. Osborne, C. C. Moore, E. F. Young, A. L. Smith, T. B. Seigle, H. A. Fortman, Dick Mason, D. M. Riegler, W. E. Culpepper, S. Landecker, J. N. McCausland and C. M. Davidson. This committee is to formulate rules and regulations, get up the programme and see to it generally that there are no loose screws in our celebration. The funds raised are to be apportioned as prizes between the firemen and military companies, and a lump will be set aside to get up a fine fireworks display. The committeemen selected are the right kind. Col. J. T. Anthony is the chairman.

It is proposed to have prize drills by the military and contests by the firemen. There will be a brigade of Continentals and the parade will be a most interesting one. The celebration will last through four days, and an attractive programme, which will be carried out, will be arranged for each day. It is the intention of the committee to have a competitive display of fireworks, and that will be an interesting and novel feature.

Wedding Guests Arriving.

The marriage of Mr. G. W. Bethell, of Danville, Va., to Miss Lalla Oates, which is to occur in the Second Presbyterian church, in this city, tomorrow night will be the most brilliant social event known in Charlotte in years past. Extensive preparations have been made and the wedding guests are arriving. Mr. Bethell, accompanied by a party of friends, arrived on the noon train today. In the party were Miss Jennie Bethell, Mr. O. A. Neal, Mr. W. D. Bethell, and Mr. D. J. Halcomb, of Danville; Mr. Clem Wright, of Greensboro, and Mr. A. Strause, of Oxford. Miss Bethell is the guest of Mrs. Joseph H. Young. The others are at the Central Hotel. Miss Lizzie Burns, of Wilson, is also in the city to attend the wedding.

The Cotton Market.

This has been a rainy day, yet the wagons brought 23 bales of cotton to the city market. There was not the slightest deviation in the tide of the market, and it still remains as it has been for weeks past. Cotton brought from 9.50 to 11 cents.

For Rochester or Milwaukee Beer go to Arndt's.

SPRING PRELUDES.

YESTERDAY I HEARD A ROBIN SINGING,
THIS MORNING A BLUEBIRD TWITTERED,
AT NOON I SAW A HYBERNATED BUTTERFLY TAKING THE SUN

SPRING IS NEAR.

NOW DON'T SAY "SPRING MEANS A GENERAL CLEANING UP."
IT MEANS SO MUCH MORE THAN THAT. THINK OF
THE PLEASANT THINGS; OF THAT

NEW SUIT OF CLOTHES

FOR EXAMPLE, AND WHILE YOUR MIND IS IN THAT CHANNEL, WE MAY GIVE A PLEASANT STIMULANT TO YOUR THOUGHTS BY TELLING YOU THAT

Our Spring Stock is Here!

It's a little earlier than usual, but that is due to the season. You ought to see it the first time you are up town. We think we have been happy in our selections of

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Children's Clothing,
MEN'S, BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S HATS, AND THE MOST COMPLETE LINE OF

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NEW SHOES.

We are now showing complete lines of the finest Shoes and Slippers for Spring and Summer wear, designed and made expressly to our order. We are showing great values this season, elegant and approved styles, the lowest prices and best makes. Every one will do well to see our unsurpassed stock of Shoes and Slippers, whether needing such things or no. We will interest you.

We have just received a large shipment of the celebrated Grover Soft Shoes for tender feet. Ladies troubled with tender feet will find great relief in these shoes, made by hand and in such a way that the seams do not bind or draw. Prices: French Goat Lace \$2.25, Soft Glove Kid Lace \$2.50, French Kid Buton \$3.50, by mail 20c. extra. Call and see us and try our Shoes.

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Bixby's Royal Polish.

Warranted to restore the color and gloss to all black leather goods. Price 10 cents per bottle, put up in nice single cartons. This is a very popular Polish, and certainly there is none better for the money. It is largely sold all over the United States.

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Full line of Shoe Brushes, Royal Dusters and Polishers. We shall have some elegant Shoes to show you before Easter. Be sure and see them. Send your children in and get an Easter Card.

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The new Dress Goods, among them a handsome variety of Paris costumes. The Dress Goods trade is opening up earlier than usual. I have marked out all Novelty Dress Goods, as well as a Staple Dress Goods and Black Goods

AT TAKING PRICES.

Rather than Reduce the price on Fancy Robes late in the season, I have marked a small margin on them and I will run them out at the beginning of the season.

For Fine Dress Goods My Store is Headquarters.

I hardly ever have such good news to tell you of Dress Goods. Some of my low prices will set you thinking. No sleazy stuff will be offered. If for no other reason, I am too proud of the reputation I have for having fresh goods.