



NEW Embroidered Skirting

New Embroidered Skirtings and Flouncings are here. Daintier, fresher, dashing than ever. Embroidery, open work, hems and tucks like hands to make a gorgeously graceful design as ever got on to such lovely white fabrics. Flowers and buds, vine traceries and pretty leaf shapes that do not fade; odd conceits in dozens of styles admirably sweet and simple. Plain hemstitched and tacked ones are full of quiet loveliness. You'll see that these skirts that we show are the rich, new, elegant and tasteful skirtings of the season. No two patterns are alike. We also show these skirtings in black with black embroidery, also black with white embroidery. White with pink embroidery, white with dashes of black along with the white embroidery. White with white embroidery in great quantity. These skirtings are for Lads, Miss, or Child. This is a handsome line we show. Laces like a harvest of cowbells for delicacy like an artist's dream of beauty. Chantilly, Fedora, Point de Gause Valenciennes, Torchons, Irish Points Duchesse, Real Point, 50 yd; colors are white cream, light blue, blue, yellow, gray, lavender pink, rose and black. New China silks in plain, also figured for decorating purposes. New dress goods now ready. Our gingham show is on. Prices are 8-13 10 and 12 1/2 cts. New attractions every day. White for what you want.

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Local Ripples.

—Mr. Chas. M. Carson leaves this evening for Jackson, Michigan, on a business trip.

—Rev. J. M. Garrison will preach at the Associate Reform Presbyterian church tomorrow night at 8 o'clock.

—Two new fire alarm boxes have been placed on the outskirts of wards 1 and 4. Wards 2 and 3 are to be equipped with extra boxes, also.

—At a meeting of Charlotte Commandery Knights Templar, last night, five members were elevated to the position of Knights of Malta.

—A meeting of Elks Club Lodge A. F. and A. M. will be held tonight. The third degree will be conferred and visiting brethren are cordially invited.

—A called meeting of the board of commissioners will be held at the court house, at 3 o'clock next Saturday afternoon, to take action on the re-issuance of the Mecklenburg county bonds.

—Mr. Crews, traveling agent of the Wilmington Messenger was in the city today and gave us a call. We are glad to hear from him that the Messenger is doing well under its new management.

—Mr. H. C. Eccles has received from Dr. Kinyoun, who is now traveling in Europe, a number of Kodak views, taken by the doctor. One of the most interesting, shows Dr. Kinyoun's little child feeding the pigeons in St. Mark's Square, Venice. The views have been much admired.

Cave In.

The street hands are laying a sewer pipe on East Fifth street and to strike and level an excavation 15 feet deep has been dug. This afternoon the banks caved in and three workmen were buried. They were rescued quickly, but one of them was very badly injured.

Gen. Hoke Declines to Accept.

Gen. R. F. Hoke, who was last week elected president of the North Carolina railroad, was in the city yesterday. He tells the News & Observer that he has formally declined to accept the presidency of the road and it is understood that the directors will convene this week to elect a president.

The Conductors.

An interesting meeting of Charlotte Division 221, Order Railway Conductors, was held at Masonic Temple, this city, last Sunday. Four new members were initiated. This is one of the strongest divisions in the South and is composed of a splendid lot of men.

A Case of Bigamy.

Papers that are expected to bring a bigamist from Tennessee to this State for trial, were issued last night and given into the hands of the proper officers. The papers were sued out by Mrs. Pickard, who is now at the Charlotte Hotel in this city. Her husband has another wife in Tennessee.

A SICK JUROR

CAUSES A DELAY IN THE COURT

And Knocks the News Out of Getting the Verdict This Evening—The Sick Juror Rattles and Brabham's Case is Rapidly Nearing the End.

There was a very sudden and unexpected hitch in the trial of Brabham, the alleged murderer of John B. Motta, this morning. All the evidence in the case was concluded yesterday afternoon and two speeches had been made, and the closing speech was being made this morning for the defence, by lawyer McCall, when Mr. Berryhill, one of the jurors, turned pale and became alarmingly ill. Judge Meares adjourned proceedings for 20 minutes, and the sick man was given into the care of Dr. D. O'Donoghue. He complained of feeling chilly, his hands were cold and clammy and he shook all over. It was thought that a good stiff slice of usquebaugh would warm him up and bring him all right in a few minutes, but that proved not to be the cause. The 20 minutes expired and still the juror was not able to resume his seat in the box. Judge Meares then announced an adjournment of court until 3 o'clock this afternoon, when it was expected that Mr. McCall would conclude his speech. After that would come the judge's charge and then the verdict of the jury.

But for this unexpected interruption in the proceedings, THE NEWS would in all probability have been able to give the result of the trial in its issue this evening.

Mr. McCall was just describing the horrors of sending a man to the silent tomb forever when Mr. Berryhill collapsed.

In all the evidence brought out at the trial, there has been nothing materially new from what has already been published in THE NEWS, and a repetition would make it stale. Pending the decision of the jury THE NEWS withholds comments. Mr. Bailly, for the defense, and Mr. Burwell, for the prosecution, spoke yesterday afternoon, and this morning Mr. Clarkson opened in a speech for the defense. He was followed by Col. John E. Brown for the State, and Mr. McCall was making the closing argument for the defense when the juror became ill. Great interest has been manifested in the trial throughout, and warm as the day has been, the capacity of the court house has been taxed to its fullest extent.

As THE NEWS goes to press, Judge Meares is delivering his charge to the jury.

The Criminal Court.

The Criminal court juries, with the exception of the one engaged in trying the Brabham case, were dismissed yesterday.

Judge Meares has passed sentences so far, as follows:

Ed McCombs, larceny, 6 years in the chain gang.

Abram Withers, shooting at a train on the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta road, 6 months in the chain gang.

Tom Moore, larceny, 12 months in the chain gang.

Jim Brown, larceny, 2 years in the chain gang.

All the above named parties are colored.

Dr. Scarr's Successor.

The election of cemetery keeper is made by the board of aldermen, and it is within the province of the present board to elect a successor to the late Dr. F. Scarr, but this board will hardly take action in the matter, leaving the matter to the consideration of the incoming administration.

THE NEWS has heard of a number of applicants for the place, among them Mr. Moses Thomas, who was Dr. Scarr's assistant; Mr. J. K. Parroy, Mr. Will W. Phifer, Mr. D. P. Hunter and Mr. Wm. Cochran. The position is not a very remunerative one, but to one with tastes inclined to landscape gardening and culture of flowers, is a very pleasant one.

THE COLORED CONVENTION.

A Largely Attended Meeting Last Night—Dr. Williams Nominated for Alderman and Capt. Smith for School Commissioner—The Democratic Ticket Endorsed.

The meeting of the colored voters of ward 2 (the black ward) held last night, was a very largely attended one. Besides that, it was harmonious and conservative, and after filling two vacancies, adopted and endorsed the entire Democratic ticket.

The Democrats, at their recent meeting, it will be remembered, put only two candidates for aldermen in nomination, leaving the third place for the colored to fill. For this vacancy on the ticket, there were three candidates, Dr. J. T. Williams, the present incumbent, J. E. King and Wm. H. Houser. Rufus Weddington was chairman of the meeting last night. The plan of balloting adopted was an original one. The Williams men were parceled off to one side of the house, the King men to another, and the Houser men to another. When the three groups were thus collected, it was developed that the Williams' crowd was considerably in the majority, and Williams was declared the nominee. On motion of King, his nomination was made unanimous. Capt. T. T. Smith was nominated for school commissioner in place of Mr. W. M. Wilson, who had declined the nomination. Some effort had been made to induce Mr. P. M. Brown to run independently for alderman, but a letter from Mr. Brown was read in the meeting declining the use of his name in that connection. A motion was carried unanimously that all the nominations of the democrats be endorsed.

Married in Greenwood.

Miss Minnie Lee Waters, of Charlotte, was married in Greenwood, S. C., on April 9th, to Mr. S. L. Smith, of Greensboro, N. C. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Jas. S. Marse, by Rev. Mr. Matthews. The bride was tastefully attired in a very becoming traveling suit, and was attended by the following young people: Dr. Madison Bailey and Miss Mollie Marse, Prof. R. B. Wilson and Miss Maggie Fenlay, Dr. Neel and Miss Bessie Gibbs, Mr. J. A. Bell and Miss Hattie McKeller.

The blushing bride came in on the arm of Dr. Bailey, one of Greenwood's most popular young men, and Miss Mollie Marse came in on the arm of the groom. The bride and groom left on the north-bound train for Greensboro, their future home. The bride is a sister to Mrs. Capt. Jas. Johnston, of Charlotte.

A Homemade Typewriter.

Mr. Bum Butler has displayed his ingenuity in the construction of a simple and perfectly working typewriter. He made the machine with the ordinary tools found in a mechanic's shop, and was only a day and a half at it. The writer is compact, simple, and does excellent work. He cannot patent it, for it is a combination of several other type writers, and made it more for his amusement than for anything else. The writer was on exhibition at Dr. McAden's drug store last night and experts say that it is one of the most perfect they have ever seen.

Mrs. Brothers.

The Wadesboro Intelligencer, of a recent date, says: "Married, on the 25th of March, at the residence of Mr. James D. Liles, near Lilesville, by Rev. Livingston Johnson, Mr. J. L. Brothers, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Fannie Liles, of Anson. Mrs. Liles, now Mrs. Brothers, is one of the best known ladies of Anson, and is very highly esteemed by all who know her. We commend her to the good people of Charlotte as a lady in every respect worthy of their highest esteem."

To Meet in Charlotte.

The newly constituted North Carolina Railroad Commission is expected to meet in Charlotte one day next week, at the invitation of a committee of the Chamber of Commerce. Freight grievances will be the object of the conference.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with

Mather's Glove Cleaner. For sale by Reese & Co., druggists.

KING COTTON LOW.

Overproduction Has a Depressing Effect Upon the Market—Over a Million Bales to be Carried Over to Next Year.

There was too much cotton raised in the South for the good of the farmers, and is now becoming clearly evident. Cotton in Liverpool today is quoted at 4 1/2 pence, the very lowest figure ever recorded in that market. It is the lowest, at least, known there in the past forty years. There is but one known reason for this unusually low condition of the King, and that is, overproduction.

The crop of last season is now estimated at from eight and half million to eight and three-quarter million of bales, and at this season the estimates of the cotton men generally approximate the real figures. This immense crop necessitates carrying over to the next season fully one and a quarter million bales. To carry all this cotton through the months intervening to the opening of next season means a great expense, hence the depression.

This state of affairs is sufficient to make the farmer pause and consider. Another big cotton crop this year would actually be their ruin. What they should look to is less cotton and more grain, grasses and pork.

A Morning Ride.

Some of the young people of the city got up a riding party this morning, and after enjoying the bracing Spring air and a delightful drive through the fields and woods, returned to the city and took breakfast at the Central. The party consisted of Messrs. W. C. White, Joe Hart, Joseph Baruch, Will Yates, S. B. Waters, Harry Watts, Henry R. Bryan, Jr., M. A. Lyon, Henry Nichols and Dr. Hinman; and Misses C. Holt, Bettie Yates, A. Baldwin, M. Hall, Nina Jones, Nan Dowd, Annie Tate, Heloise Smith, Maggie Wilson and Lucy Oates.

Peculiar and Fatal Accident to a Mule.

Mr. Baxter Moore lost a fine mule Sunday night from a peculiar accident. A farm hand was driving the mule to a plow, Friday, and in turning at the end of a furrow, close to a plank fence, the mule brushed against the fence. A large splinter penetrated the mule's breast. The splinter, which was nearly two feet long was withdrawn, and the mule was thought to be seriously injured, but Sunday lockjaw set in, and the animal died in great agony. It was Mr. Moore's buggy mule, and he valued it at \$200.

—Billy Russ, a popular travelling salesman, is at the Buford Hotel today. He is accompanied by Mrs. Russ.

SPRING CAMPAIGN.

WE ARE READY FOR THE FRAY.

You are now looking for a new Spring Suit. We are going to name prices for qualities this season that must attract you. Our Styles are the latest, our Goods are the best, our Prices are the lowest.

Buy from us, and you are bound to be pleased, and if, after home examination, you wish for any reason to exchange what you have bought, bring it back and we will willingly give you another selection.

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will buy a good All-Wool Stylish Business Suit, in Sack or Frock of Cheviot, Cassimere, Tweed, or Serge. \$19 will buy one still better. For \$15 and \$13 you can take your pick of hundreds of handsome Business, Professional or Dress Suits that are worth a third more money elsewhere.

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All of the latest Novelties in stock. Every conceit for the season that the most artistic designers can invent, down to the "Rough and Ready" school boy Suits which can't be ripped. Mothers, call and see our Styles and Prices.

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LOW COMMON SENSE OXFORD,

That are nice for those who do not wish a high shoe. Ladies Congress Shoes ways in stock. A new stock of Trunks just received.

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We have the finest and most complete line of Patent Leather Shoes for ladies and gentlemen ever shown in this market. All the fine tops and new lasts can be seen here, and all at popular prices. We handle only the best French Calf Stock, which is showing remarkably good wearing qualities. We have just received our third stock for this season, and our sales for this special kind of goods far surpasses our expectations. Ladies Patent Lea Boots with French Calf Stock, at \$4.00; Gents Pat Lea Cong with Jersey Top at \$4.00; warrant the best French Calf Stock. See our shoes if you want to be in it this season. Everything in the shoe line.

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I have a large stock of the latest style Parlor Suits to be found and at prices that will suit everybody. I have a handsome line of Plush Suits from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Also Wilton Rug Suits.

The Prettiest and Neatest Suit out at the very lowest prices.

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I also call your attention to my handsome line of Bedroom Suits. Prices and quality can't be beat. Please call and examine my stock whether you wish to buy or not, as I will take pleasure showing you through. I have numerous other articles that will add beauty and comfort to your home, which I will mention another time.

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Fancy Jap Fans were never before seen in such odd shapes, such peculiar handles, on such pretty colors as those we are selling for decorative purposes.

In a variety of shapes and sizes; white gauze, fancy gauze, black gauze and fans that show no gauze at all.

The White Gauze Gate is wide open now, walk straight in and see the pretty things prepared for lovers of cool wear.

A new popular white goods is Rhoda Spots. We have just opened another lot of the pretty light gray Spotted gloves.

A splendid lot of these popular goods, the large sales are full proof of their cheapness and beauty.

The accordion pleated capes are quite catchy and very useful all summer in cool evenings.

Just a few of these gift belts remain now, who will have them?

All the little boys or young men can get a nice straw hat or cap of

T. L. Alexander, Son & Co.