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THE GOOD OLD TIMES.

It has become a chronic habit with a great many people to decry the present and magnify the beauties of the past. According to the dictum of these people the glories of the "good old times" completely eclipse all that we have today. Painted by them, former times taken on a gorgeous hue of which we know nothing and our fathers reveled in a sort of golden age which now has vanished forever. "Before the war," "before the crime of '73" all was serene and lovely in this great Republic, and the questions which vex and harass us, the problems which worry and torment us, did not exist at all during that happy period. Some such people as we describe these continual harper on what used to be—must have existed when Lord Macanley wrote that magnificent description of England before the time of James II, and also drew that remarkable comparison between the mirage of the desert and that vanished past evoked by the dreamers who hated the present. When these men were confronted by the actual facts of history they had to renounce their illusions. When transported back to those times by the magic wand of the marvelous historian they suffered the same disenchantment which overtook the cavalier on the desolate wastes of the Sahara found that the whole was a mirage of the brain and nothing more.

What does history teach us with regard to the past? It tells us that the world and mankind were subject to the same immutable laws which govern us today. Our fathers were no more comfortably housed, fed, and clothed than we are. Many of the luxuries which we know were altogether unknown to them. Moreover we have nothing to prove that our fathers were any happier than we.

The present age demands more than the past. What could have contented by-gone generations does not suffice for us. Hence that eternal struggle to secure the best places, to occupy the most pleasant positions of life.

This is an age of competition such as was never known before, and the race naturally being to the swift, a man must be up and doing if he desires to keep up with the procession. The population of the country has increased and a greater

strain is put on the resources of the country.

There were many picturesque features about the past which we all regret but it is doubtful if we should desire to be transported back a century simply on that account. Our Western frontier need to be very picturesque with its Indians and buffaloes, but we should hardly like to see the traces of civilization obliterated and the frontier with its Indians brought back simply on account of its picturesque.

The true philosophy of life is to recognize the fact that periods of depression have come about at all stages in the history of the world, and that our country is no more except from them than any other. No system of finance or of government that could be desired would bring about that beautiful condition of things which fluent demagogues are accustomed to predict. We might as well bow to the inevitable in this respect.—Hickory Press.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Diamond Lake, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction, she was brought down with pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results. Trial bottles free at Fetzer's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

If, when you are going on your way some fellow hits you with a snow ball, don't tell him he is not a gentleman, for he's apt to be crank enough to resent it. If he had fairer conceptions he would not snow ball you.

The News and Observer says a subscriber in a private letter asks, "Will Populists vote for Pritchard? Will Pritchard stultify himself by recanting and declaring for silver. If he does, will enough Populists believe him to enable him to succeed. To all these questions the editor says as any one else might say "We don't know." It all sounds as if it is not fashionable now to be frank and consistent enough for smart men even to foresee by the laws of consistency how men are going to act or how they are liable to vote. That lack of confidence that Populists and Republicans seem to have in Democrats seems to be a sort of reflex consequence.

Why is it that one man is old and decrepit at 45, and another hale and hearty at 80? It depends on the care he takes of himself. Often a man's body gets out of repair—the trouble grows until it lays him out in bed. Whenever a man feels that he is not as well as he ought to be, whenever he is listless, without energy and without vitality, whenever he finds that he is losing weight and that his ordinary work gives him undue fatigue, he needs Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. If he keeps on working with his liver inactive and his blood impure—he keeps his nerves and his body under a constant nervous strain. He will not be hearty when he is old. The "Golden Medical Discovery" cures many so-called diseases because nearly all illness springs from the same thing—bad digestion and consequent impure blood. The "Discovery" makes the appetite good, the digestion strong, assimilation easy, and the blood rich and pure.

The report in the Salisbury World of the late homicide of Jones, colored, by Esq. Barber, near Cleveland, in Rowan county, had much

of the appearance of justification. Of course this was based on first report. The Landmark gave notice that its information tended to criminate Esq. Barber as the sole aggressor. Now we are informed the grand jury on last Saturday found a true bill of murder against Barber.

Sarsaparilla Sense.

Any sarsaparilla is sarsaparilla. True. So any tea is tea. So any flour is flour. But grades differ. You want the best. It's so with sarsaparilla. There are grades. You want the best. If you understood sarsaparilla as well as you do tea and flour it would be easy to determine. But you don't. How should you? When you are going to buy a commodity whose value you don't know, you pick out an old established house to trade with, and trust their experience and reputation. Do so when buying sarsaparilla. Ayer's Sarsaparilla has been on the market 50 years. Your grandfather used Ayer's. It is a reputable medicine. There are many Sarsaparillas—but only one Ayer's. It cures.

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The Concord National Bank

Offers to the business public a reliable, permanent, conservative and accommodating banking institution. We solicit your business with the assurance of honorable treatment and due appreciation of your patronage.

If we can serve you at any time, we shall be glad to have you come and see us.

LIBERAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO CUSTOMERS.

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D. B. COLTRANE, Cashier.
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Physician and Surgeon.

Concord, N. C.

OFFICE: ST. CLOUD ANNEX

NOTICE.

I WANT every man and woman in the United States interested in the Opium and Whisky habits to have one of my books on these diseases. Address E. M. Woolley, Atlanta, Ga., Box 882, and one will be sent you free.

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.50 prize offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted.

SPECIAL FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

The only time a man needs a partner is when he is doing a losing business. This is what we are doing on china and glassware just now. Our policy has always been "Strike while the iron is hot" in a hand to mouth way. We had to buy

CHINA - AND - GLASSWARE

the last of November in order to get an assortment for our Christmas trade. We haven't the room for these goods and in order to show them off we had to pack away our underwear and hats and many other goods. These Holiday goods will not move under two weeks. There is where we are doing a losing business. Our money will be idle and you know a "setting hen never gets fat." This is not business, so we want partners on china and glassware only. As an inducement to get them we will offer the following:

For the next ten days we will refund ten per cent. of all the cash you spend in the china and glassware department.

To let these goods lie idle on our shelves for two weeks will be a dead loss to us. We can use all the cash we can take in up to December 12th, so all the loss of the 10 per cent. discount will more than be made back by reinvesting in Christmas goods. You have first choice of the goods, and a chance of saving 10 per cent on the goods you will buy later anyway. We have but one price and that is marked in plain figures, these are our best and only prices to either friend or stranger. The man who says an article is worth \$1 but you can have it for 80c simply means asking price \$1 and selling price 80 cents, and may be 60 cents in some cases. There is two conclusions to be drawn in such cases, one is the store is ashamed of their price of the goods or the other is they have marked them high enough to come down on them and make their customers believe of all the thousands of people that live in Concord's territory they are the chosen whose money is worth more than any one else's. Unless a man can show you plainly where his part comes in you naturally suspect him when he says he is going to do you a special favor in business.

CHINAWARE CUPS AND SAUCERS.

German china 4 cts to 25 cents.
Japanese china 5 cents to 23 cents.
We have nice after dinner cups and saucers at 10 cents that we sold at 25 cents last year.

PLATES.

Child A B C plates at 5 and 10 cents. Bread and butter plates 5 cents up. Dinner plates 10 cents each. Cake plates 18 cents up to 98 cent ones that are worth \$1.50 elsewhere. Jelly or olive plates 12 cents up. Brownie plate, cup and saucers 20 cents for the three pieces.

DISHES.

ALL NICELY DECORATED.

Bone 5 cents; Bowls 10 to 55 cts; China mugs 3 cents up; Shaving 18 cents; Bisque figures 5 to 20 cents; Individual cream and sugar sets 10 cents up, with china tray 25 to 98 cents; Tea sets containing tea pot, sugar, cream and two cups and saucers 60 cents to \$1.85; Pitchers assorted from 75 cents down; Tea pots 15 cents to 45 cents; Toast racks 25 cents; Vases from 10 cents to \$2.48 each; Porcelain umbrella stands \$3; Lamps and glassware to arrive soon will be included in the special discount.

We have about three times as much china, porcelain, glass, etc. as we had last year.

BASKETS.

Globe 2 to 10 cents; handkerchiefs 15 to 25 cents; Waste paper 20 cents; Lunch 10 to 15 cents; Large close hampers 88 cts to \$1.44; Laquere trays 20 cents; Paper napkins 15 cents per hundred.

STATIONERY.

Special job of fine note paper, both plain and ruled, at 18 cents per pound; Tain paper for foreign mail 10 cents per quire; Lead pencils 3 cents per dozen; Ink or mullage 3 cents; steel pens 2 cents per dozen, good.

EMBROIDERY DEPARTMENT.

Embroidery silk at two skeins for 1 cent; Best Filo silk, assorted brands at 3 cents per skein, worth 5 cents elsewhere; Outlining silk 3 cents per skein; Colored linen 20 cents dozen; Turkey red or blue cotton 5 cents dozen; Shaded crochet cotton 4 cents per ball of 200 yards; Gold embroidery 3 cents per skein; Stamped Duck Table Covers with fringe 40 cents; Feather boas 65 cents; Feather Collettertes 19 cts; Ladies capes \$1.30 to \$5.00; Childrens Cloaks, all wool, at \$1.25; Remnants of silkoline worth 10 to 15c at 7 1/2 cents; Remnants of Printed Sateen for Drapery worth 25 cents at 12 1/2 cents; Remnants of Printed Denim, worth 25 cents at 15 cents; Remnants of Colored Cotton Flannel for skirts worth 10 to 15 cents at 8 1/2 to 10 cents; Cotton Eiderdown 7 1/2 cents per yard; Blankets 48 cts per pair up; Home-made Comforts \$1.25; Crib Counterpanes 48 cents, full sized, well assorted; gingham 3 1/2 cents; Twenty-nine inch cotton stripes, same styles as alamaance at 5 cents per yard; 8 1/2 cent Outing at 5 cts, light colored Outing at 4 cents; All Wool Red Flannel 15c up; 48 inch Black Storm Serge 20 cents per yard; A full line of Hosiery and Silk Windsor Ties 5 cents; Club House Ties, silk 10 cents, cotton 5 and 8 cents; Silk Shield Bows 5 cts. A nice lot of Albums, Books and other Christmas goods on the road. Mouse traps at 5 cents.

Very Respectfully,

B. J. Boston.