

OUR ADVERTISERS

We wish to call special attention to the advertisements appearing on our pages this week. These advertisements are every one brimfull of interesting shopping news to each of our readers and are from firms who are perfectly trust-worthy in every respect.

Should you be interested in jewelry, you will find something especially interesting in the page-advertisement of The Morrison Bros. Co or the quarter page of George E. Bisanar. These are both highly trustworthy firms, and those who are interested in their line would do well to inspect the admirable line of goods now on display at their stores. They have a beautiful line of holiday goods such as cut-glass, silverware and jewelry. Their display windows are exceedingly beautiful, and worth traveling miles to see.

In the way of Dry-goods, clothing, notions, shoes and hats, you will find something especially interesting in the nicely gotten up ads. of J. F. Allen, Setzer and Russell, Sledge & Pleasants, Moretz-Waitener and McCoy Moretz. These firms carry in stock an up-to-date assortment of everything in their line and we feel safe in saying that our readers will never be dissatisfied with any purchases they may make at any of these places.

As to Millinery, Miss Mary Rosebrough and Miss M. E. Michael has something of interest to say to the ladies. Miss Michael and Miss Rosebrough are both past-masters in their art and our readers may rest assured of receiving fair and courteous treatment when dealing with either of them. They are especially deserving of your confidence.

Hammond and Johnson and H. T. Mayes tells you where you can find the best things to eat at the lowest price. These two firms are wide awake, and always have at heart the best interests of their customers.

We take pleasure in recommending to the public The Hatcher Furniture Co. whose half-page ad. appears in this issue. This firm carries in stock every thing needed for the home and will give their customers the advantage of the lowest possible prices consistent with the quality of goods.

A. E. Cline has all kinds of fire work's for the boys, besides an up-to-date line of groceries, dry-goods and general merchandises, and is a genial good fellow. Trading with him will prove pleasant as well as profitable.

The Hickory Banking and Trust Co. is an exceedingly strong institution, and its patrons need have no fear of any dealings they may chance to have with it. The Hickory Transfer Co. will be pleased to answer your calls at any time and will give you excellent service.

The Hickory Realty and Insurance Company is a rapidly growing institution and is backed men of rare business ability. If you are interested in buying renting, or selling a home or any kind of real-estate, they will be pleased to wait upon you in a manner satisfactory to all parties concerned.

The Umstead Santa Claus Store gives interesting news for the children. China-ware, dolls, and other things to interest the children with useful articles to meet the demands of the older ones may be found in abundance.

Besides you have the pleasure of being served by kind and obliging salesladies. Don't fail to visit this very attractive store during Christmas.

By the appointment of Gov. Glenn, Mr. E. L. Shuford was to attend the meeting of the commerce congress which convenes in Washington, DC. this week. Mr. Shuford could not attend and had Mr. W. L. Gilbert, secretary of the chamber of commerce to go in his stead.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

The Church enjoyed the addresses of Dr. G. W. Painter last Sunday. His presentation of the facts about China, the candor and fairness of his deductions together with the over powering conclusions he draws makes these lectures not only intensely interesting, but inspiring as well.

Rev. C. A. Munroe and Rev. J. G. Garth held a three days meeting at Rhodess, closing Sunday afternoon. The attendance was fine and the interest manifest. This is a fine mill community inhabited by an intelligent class of people, and equipped with good institutions.

Rev. J. G. Garth will preach here Sunday at both services. In the morning he will speak to the children and will use some object illustrations to present the ideas on the text "Create in me a clean heart." The youngest child can appreciate it, and so parents are urged to be present with the children.

Sunday school reached high-water mark last Sunday.

The pastor is to hold a prayer meeting in West Hickory Thursday night.

The Famous Trial Independent

There was almost a serious breach made in the Independent Order of the Sons of Rest recently. As noted by the correspondent, "W. L. W." grave suspicion rested upon one of the members of this noble order as having become too familiar with a "yaller" turkey gobbler about the Thanksgiving season. According to the rules of the Order the wayward brother was brought to trial. The evidence was purely circumstantial. It was shown however that a "yaller" gobbler had disappeared, on, or about this time; it was shown further that this particular member did not leave his house on the particular day before dinner (an unusual occurrence for him. In defense however it was claimed that he was at home soaking his feet in order to remove some corns) Everything looked dark for the defendant until the attorney for the defense asked the star witness to "Give the marks which differentiate a "yaller turkey gobbler from a yaller turkey hen? This was a jawbreaker and the court decided that a witness who knew no more about turkeys than that, was incompetent to pass upon the guilt of a brother and the accused brother was declared by the highest authority of the order to be guilty of nothing more than assuming a turkey gobbler strut in coming down street on the afternoon of our National Thanksgiving.

We have received the following invitation:

You are cordially invited to attend the opening reception of the Charlotte Sanatorium Wednesday evening, Dec. the 9th nineteen hundred and eight corner church and Seventh St. Charlotte, North Carolina. hours: Three to eight.

Employment Agency for Hickory

An Employment Agency known as "The Catawba Employment Agency" has been established in Hickory with offices in Democrat building. This Agency will be pleased to get into correspondence with parties desiring employment or with those who are in need of help of any kind. All wants will be supplied as quickly as possible. For further information address, Catawba Employment Agency, Hickory, N. C. in care Democrat.

GUILTY OF COUNTERFEITING
Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate cough and heals the lungs. For sale by W. S. Martin & Co.

Subscribe for the Democrat, only \$1.00 a year.

The Ladies of the Episcopal Church.

We beg to remind our friends and the public generally of our sale of beautiful Christmas articles next Saturday afternoon and evening at the Rectory—near the church. Delicious refreshments will be served with moderate prices for everything. Shall we see you?

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Hickory Banking & Trust Co.

at Hickory, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$108,702.74
Overdrafts, secured and Unsecured	1,315.70
All other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages, Bank Stock	1,250.00
Banking Houses,	\$ 6,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,296.33
Demand loans	8,496.33
Due from Banks and Bankers	6,036.14
Cash items	12,812.47
Gold coin	332.54
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	932.50
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	1,183.75
	4,877.07
Total	\$145,739.13

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	35,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	3,638.74
Notes and bills re-discounted	18,000.00
Deposits subject to check	51,985.81
Demand Certificates of Deposit	36,024.88
Cashier's Checks outstanding	1,089.70
Total	\$145,739.13

To wit: State of North Carolina, County of Catawba, ss: I, W. X. REID, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. X. REID, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Dec, 1908. C. A. MOSER, Notary Public

Correct—Attest: J. F. ABERNETHY, M. H. YOUNT, J. A. MARTIN Directors

GIVING OUT.

The Saruggle Discourages Many a Citizen of Hickory.

Around all day with an aching back; Can't rest at night; Enough to make anyone "give out."

Doan's Kidney Pills will give renewed life. They will cure the backache; Cure every kidney ill. Here is Hickory proof that this is so:

R. W. Robinson, living at 1220 Thirteenth St., Hickory, N. C., says: "I am glad to say that the result I derived from the use of Doan's Kidney Pills were satisfactory in every respect. For some time prior to using them I had been a sufferer from sharp pains through the small of my back and my kidneys were very irregular in action. I came to the conclusion that my kidneys needed prompt attention, and procured Doan's Kidney Pills at the Moser-Lutz Drug Co. From the time I began using them I steadily improved, and am now feeling much better in every way. The pains across the small of my back at present are scarcely noticeable and the kidney secretions have become clear and give me no trouble whatever."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

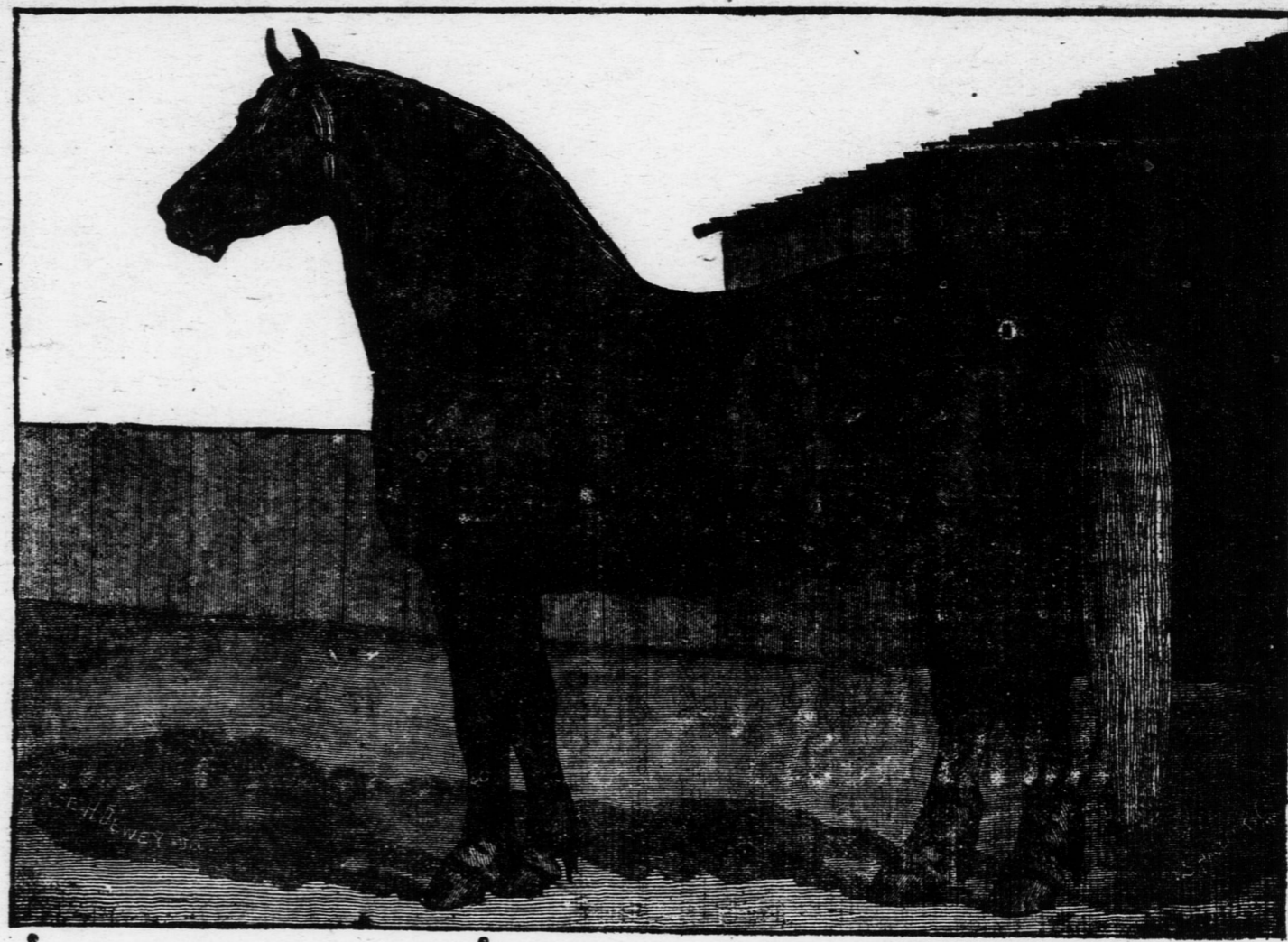
Notice of Sale of House & Lot

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Catawba County, made in a special proceeding therein pending wherein Edgar May and others are plaintiffs and Lillie May and others are defendants, the undersigned commissioners will sell at public auction for cash in front of the Post Office in the City of Hickory on Saturday, January the 9th, 1909, to the highest bidder the following lot of land, being the house and lot formerly owned by S. Y. May and located near the center of the City of Hickory, and described and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake, 50 feet North of the N. E. corner of lot No. 48, and running N. 200 feet to a stake; then West 100 feet to a stake; then South 200 feet to a stake on the Northern margin of Twelfth avenue in the City of Hickory; then with the Northern margin of said avenue East 100 feet to the beginning. This sale is made for partition. On the said lot is a two story dwelling house.

This December 3, 1908. M. H. YOUNT and E. B. CLINE, Commissioners.

Doan's Kidney and Bladder Pills FOR BACKACHE

75 Head Tenn and Ky. **HORSES & MULES**



Will have to arrive at our stables in **Hickory, N. C.** Thursday, Dec. 10th 1908, And will remain until Tuesday, Dec. 15th, 1908

These horses and mules are acclimated and ready for use. Come and see us, as we want to dispose of these before the Holidays are over. Special prices while we are here. We also have a lot of buggies, Surries, Wagons, Harness, Saddles and Bridles. We don't want to carry over. Special prices on these. Be sure to come and see us.

The Henkel Live Stock Co., HICKORY, N. C.

Christmas Cakes Galore

are ready for your selection at **RICE'S BAKERY**

In offering these products of our skill, we do so with the full knowledge that our customers will receive the best products of the Baker's skill. Our Cakes, Pies and Rolls are made from the best materials, into clean, wholesome, delicious food. **Call 127 and Give Your Order Now.** No orders for ornamented Christmas Cakes taken after December 21st.

Free Tickets to The Gem!

COMMENCING DEC. 8th and LASTING UNTIL DEC. 24th

We will give with every 50 cent purchase FREE TICKETS TO THE MOVING PICTURE SHOW the place you will want to go during the holidays. Here is a chance to get that NEW HAT you want before Christmas.

You will find nice and up-to-date Millinery to select from.

Come early that you may have a chance at the best values, feathers and Flowers before they are all gone. We will spare no effort to please our customers.

Miss M. E. Michael.

Subscribe for The Democrat. \$1 per Year.

Woman loves a clear, rosy complexion. Burdock Blood Bitters purifies the blood, clears the skin, restores ruddy sound health. **Kodol For Indigestion.** Relieves sour stomach, palpitation of the heart. Digests what you eat. Do you take the Democrat?

The Democrat is the best advertising medium in Catawba county as it is read in very near every State in the Union, and in every home in the county. The subscription price is only \$1.00 per year.