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FOR THE

HOLIDAYS!

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KAUFMAN'S!

You will find Extraordinary Bargains from now till the Holidays in

Dress Goods, Hoods, Shawls, Wool Sacks, Blankets, Quilts, Towels, Ladies Vests, Gents Furnishing Goods, &c., &c.

DON'T YOU WANT A BARGAIN IN

Shoes for the Holidays

Why of course you don't want to pay 50 cents more on a pair of Shoes than you can get them for at Kaufman's. We carry a full line of Ladies, Gents, Misses and Children's SHOES.

SOLE AGENT IN DURHAM FOR

A. M. HERROD & CO'S,

NEW PROGRESS SHOES.



No lasting tacks: just as comfortable as hand-made. Every pair warranted to give satisfaction.

TRY A PAIR



Boys Shoes made by New Process at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00 a pair. Try a pair for your boys and see if you don't like them.

ENVELOPES, best quality, 5c a pack
NOTE PAPER, " " 5c a pack

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Dry Goods and Shoe
HOUSE.

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THE PERILS FROM A PLUTOCRACY.

In the early days of the Republic, when population was sparse, and our people generally agriculturists with only a small number of manufactures, there was little or no fear of any danger to our free institutions from the owners of overgrown estates. To avoid all perils that might arise from this source, our ancestors who thoroughly understood the political and social status of Europe, early passed laws to abrogate all rights of primogeniture and entails, so that any overgrown estate could only last for the life time of the owner. At his death, the statute of descents and distributions divided the estate by long divisions, and effectually prevented accumulation.

The opening of the great and fertile West, the almost inexhaustible supplies of the metals of our country, especially of the precious metals, necessarily made grand opportunities for energetic and sagacious men to acquire colossal fortunes. As these resources were opened, the expanding lines of great trunk railroads with the checkerwork of feeders, brought vast capabilities of amassing fortunes.

The late war between the States most inordinately expanded the paper currency of the country, and gave inflated values to all stock. During the war, a steady stream of immigration poured, in resistless floods, over our new territories, unchecked by and apparently unconscious of the gigantic war that was ravaging the fair hills and valleys of the sunny South. Gigantic enterprises are only carried forward by gigantic minds using colossal capital. Compared with Europe an countries as to territory, their kingdoms and empires are mere patches upon the earth's surface. A railroad traversing an European country would here be but stretching across a State. It is our colossal enterprises projected and carried forward with enormous capital, that have brought stupendous fortunes to the actions. This has made our Vanderbilts, Dillons, Mackays, Sharons, and Standfords.

Does any danger to our free institutions seem to come from this class of men? Certainly, if their wealth should be devoted to corrupting the masses of voters; but that is not where the great danger lies. The Roman Empire was governed by the Romans within the city wall. The provinces and territory outside had no hand in shaping government. So, too, it was at Athens and Sparta. So, too, it was in the later Republic—the masses who governed were cooped up within the narrow area of a city. There the plutocracy had ample opportunity to squander their money so as to bribe and corrupt the voters. Even the Coliseum, still stands a wonderful monument to please and corrupt, with its inhuman sports, the voting populace.

But our territory is too widely extended for this. There is no colossal fortune that can make itself felt in every hamlet, village, and farm. But the plutocrat may bribe and corrupt the voters of our cities and there the problem of our free institutions, is most difficult of solution; and there the dangers from the plutocracy arise. In a short time, at the present rapid growth of cities, they will hold a controlling power in voting.

But the dangers of the plutocracy become most imminent to our free institutions when their money is used to corrupt legislatures. There they have even a better opportunity than within the walls of a city, for the numbers are smaller. Whenever our legislators become as venal as those of England in the days of Walpole, and our own State in the days of Swenson, Littlefield, and Deweese, then the plutocracy will dictate all legislation; for every legislator will have an itching palm that must be continually soothed with the accursed shekels of bribe money.

There is a class of plutocrats more dangerous than the holders of colossal private fortunes—it is the grasping syndicates, the heartless cor-

porations, and the over-mastering great trusts, with their enormous capital of the many shareholders; but wielded by a few.

But there are counteracting agencies that oppose these malignant influences. Our vast extent of territory; the innate honesty of the rural population that make their honest and comfortable living upon their small farms, oppose a barrier against the plutocrat. No man is successful as a candidate before the people, who is very wealthy—at least such has been almost the uniform rule in American politics. His over-growing wealth is a weight that he cannot carry before the people.

But the great corporations, the powerful syndicates, and huge trusts present a more difficult problem for solution. Can they be brought under the operation and control of laws? Will there ever be a uniform rule of action among all the States, by which the capital of these corporations can be so restrained as to prevent the vast accumulation of wealth, by which legislators can feel the corrupting influence of the money? These are some of the questions that press for an answer.

Will the churches escape the controlling influence of the plutocracy? Will her altars be loaded by the gifts of the plutocrats, whose precious value and dazzling beauty, shall blind the eyes, and corrupt the heart of the ministers who stand at the altar? What has been the whole history of vast accumulations of ecclesiastical wealth? When has the church been purer? Was it when loaded with wealth or stripped of the patronage of the plutocrats? The greatest check upon the plutocracy now, is undoubtedly in the Christian sentiment of the country. When that fails—what of the night, watchman?

Republican State Executive Committee.

This morning at 10 o'clock there will be a joint meeting of the two republican State executive committees at the Yarboro House for the purpose of issuing a call for a republican State convention, to be held early next summer.

Mr. J. C. L. Harris, of this city, is chairman of one committee, which is made up of the following members: T. L. Hargrove, Oxford; R. E. Young, Henderson; J. H. Harris, Raleigh; G. T. Wasson, Goldsboro; A. V. Dockery, Carthage; C. C. Pool, Elizabeth City; H. E. Davis, Halifax; G. C. Scurlock, Fayetteville; J. H. Williamson, Louisburg; R. M. Douglas, Greensboro; W. C. Coleman, Concord; H. C. Cowles, Statesville; W. G. Bogle, Lenoir; V. S. Lask, Asheville.

Dr. J. J. Mott, of Statesville, is chairman of the other committee, the members of which are L. W. Humphrey, Goldsboro; D. L. Russell, Wilmington; J. H. Montgomery, G. W. Cannon, W. C. Coleman, J. C. Turner, E. A. White, J. R. Emich, M. A. Bledsoe.

Nothing but a very harmonious meeting is expected and it is probable that a call will be issued for a convention to be held in Raleigh about the 6th of June, 1888. The convention will, besides making nominations for the republican State ticket, consolidate the two committees into one, or appoint a new executive committee.—News and Observer

Faulkner to be Seated.

WASHINGTON, Dec.—The Senate committee on privileges and elections has decided unanimously to seat Faulkner, of West Virginia.

Mr. Powderly Critically Ill

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 13.—Grand Master Workman Powderly arrived here last night from Philadelphia, suffering from a violent attack of hemorrhage. He was stricken while journeying from Providence, R. I., to Philadelphia. His condition last night until early this morning was critical. No one was aware of his illness but his immediate friends. The attack is said to be more serious than has been made public.

Christmas is Coming!

But the following goods for Xmas have already arrived at the Racket Grocery and are being sold at astonishingly low prices: Plain and fancy candies, preserves and jellies, plain and fancy cakes, flavoring extracts of all kinds, currants, raisens, nuts and green fruits. For further information see advertisement in another column. W. K. T. B. is an unmistakable fact.
d6-2w W. H. PROCTOR.

You will save money in buying your Dry Goods, Shoes and Groceries of PERRY.
sep 14 tf

Sugar at Perry's for 5 1/2 cts a pound

1887. 1888.

FALL AND WINTER.

TURN ON THE LIGHT.

FOR HERE WE ARE WITH THE LARGEST STOCK OF GOODS WE HAVE EVER CARRIED.

We take pleasure in saying to the farmers of Durham and surrounding counties that we have just received new novelties in dress goods which we are offering at prices that will astonish you. We carry in our

Dress Goods

Department all styles and colors in Cashmeres, Serges, Pin Checks, French Plaids, Satins, Flannels and Tricots, Velvets, Velveteens, Henriettes, Diagonals, Silks, &c.

The best assortment in Black Goods Trimmings, every variety, to suit above Dress Goods.

We would like for you to look over our

Shoe Department.

As it is complete in styles and kinds. We can sell a good brogan at \$1.00 which cannot be bought for less than \$1.50 elsewhere.

OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Consists of all styles, which we are offering very low. We would like for you to look over our CLOAKS and WRAPS. We bought them direct from the manufactory, therefore we can sell them very cheap.

—IN OUR—
Hat Department

We are offering the greatest bargains that ever was offered. We can sell a NICE DRESS HAT for boys as low as 25 cents. Our best calico we are offering at five cents per yard. Lake George Sheeting at 6 1/2 cents. No trouble to show goods. Come and look and be convinced that Charles Robbins' is the place to buy your goods.

Our salesmen are G. M. Geans, of Chatham County, R. A. Pass, of Person County, Frank Harris, of Durham County.

Very respectfully,
CHAS. ROBBINS.
nov 1-tf

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DURHAM

CHARTERED NOV. 9th, 1887.
CAPITAL \$100,000.

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We beg to announce to the public that we are now ready for business, and on and after today can be found in the "Parrish building." Persons desiring papers discounted will please present them to the Board of Directors through our Cashier every Tuesday and Friday.

Persons depositing monies and receiving certificates of deposit therefor running 6 or 12 months will receive interest thereon at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

We are prepared to do banking in all its departments, collections, loan discount, and deposit. Knowing the wants of the community as thoroughly as we do, we will endeavor to serve the public as liberally as circumstances will admit.

J. S. CARR, President.
LEO D. HEARTT, Cashier.



BUY THE FAMOUS Waterbury WATCH WILL NEVER BREAK

FOR SALE BY JACOB LEVY.
dec 8-6 n

The prize room belonging to R. I. Wright is for sale. Terms easy. Apply to R. I. Rogers, sec'y and treas. Durham Land and Security Co. 10-3*

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Rooms for Rent.

The store rooms, offices and dormitories in the Wright building are now for rent. Apply to R. I. Rogers, secretary and treasurer, Durham Land and Security Co. d10 3*

Oat flaked, oat meal, just received at PERRY'S. oct. 14

—Go to Rawls' for umbrellas.

Banner across Main Street. Don't stop until you get there.

First arrival family white fish received by W. J. Wyatt & Co. oct

New dry goods and shoes just opened at Perry's.

Latest style busties only 25 cts. at Rawls'. oct 14

Best bargains at Perry's in shoes. oct 14

When you wish to save money in purchasing goods, Perry's is the place to go. oct 14

Four elegant rooms for rent over Johnson & Co's new drug store, suitable for offices or bed rooms. oct 10

Oysters.

Nice fresh oysters on half shell at Barkley's in O'Brien building, Main street. n17tf

For nice oysters go to Barkley's. n17tf

The best brands of flour, meal, crackers, &c., at W. J. Wyatt & Co. 27

Fruit of all kinds, candies of every variety—at C. L. Hoening the City Baker.

Big line of gents furnishing goods at Kaufman's. oct 13-tf

Fine French candies at Perry's.

Bananas, chestnut, Florida Oranges pears fine Northern and country apples, just received at PERRY'S oct 14

Misses Rubber Circulars only 50c at Rawls'. a15

—Go at once to Hutchins & Shepherd's and try some of their fine beef. oct 5 tf

Children's rubbers 25c., at Rawls'.

Nice sweet potatoes and turnips at Paul Norwood & Co.

200 barrels of flour,
2000 pounds of hams,
8000 " Western bacon,
3000 " Coffee,
3000 " Plug tobacco,
10,000 " Hay,
10,000 " Ship stuff
for sale at W. J. WYATT & CO.'S
july 20 tf

Land for Sale.

Any person wanting to buy a good plantation, within nine miles of Durham, or exchange real estate in Durham for said plantation will do well to correspond with F. S. Hogan, Raleigh, N. C. Plantation well adapted to the culture of corn, tobacco, wheat and oats.

Big bargains at Kaufman's in towels, napkins and bed quilts. oct 13-tf

For Sale or Rent.

The store house known as No. 9 on Mangum Street. Apply to L. J. WALKER or J. W. SMITH. nov. 24tf

Go to Kaufman's and get bargains in sugar, coffee, &c. oct 13-tf

All size Lamp Chimneys, at 5 cts. each, at Johnson & Co's Drug Store. dec 9-3t

Rawls takes the cake on \$3.00 shoes. au 3

Try a pair of Perry's \$4.75 cork sole shoes. oct 14.

NOTICE.

The Stockholders of the Fidelity Trust & Savings Co., of Durham, will meet at the rooms of the Commonwealth Club on the 16th day of December 1887 at 2:30 o'clock P. M. It is important that all should attend. Only those can vote who have paid all assessments.

W. J. CHRISTIAN,
Sec. & Treas.

d8 1f

All but four of the 175 newspapers printed in Georgia are against the continuance of the war taxes.

For Sale.

One prize room on Ramseur street, one vacant lot on Foster street, the right on which the Noel prize house stood. Apply to R. I. ROGERS Sec. & Treas. Durham Land & Sec. Co. d93t.

For Sale:

A well established and paying heavy and fancy grocery business. For particulars apply to ROBERT I. ROGERS, Sec & Treas. The Land & Security Co. Dec 3. 1 m.

Cakes, crackers, plain and fancy candies, nuts, &c., at C. L. Hoening, the City Confectioner. d61f.

Who shows the best selected stock of carpets on the market?
BANNER DRY GOODS HOUSE.

The Durham marble works are prepared to furnish tombstones and monuments on the short notice of one day's time. oct 20 tf

Confectioneries and fruits at PAUL NORWOOD & CO'S. Dec. 12 3t.

Fresh oysters, crackers, at PAUL NORWOOD & CO'S. Dec. 12 3t.

Nice lot of crockery, glass ware, lamps, and lamp goods at PAUL NORWOOD & CO'S. Dec. 12 3t.

Christmas Puck at the Durham Book Store. Its a daisy. Only 25 cents. Dec. 12.

Pig feet, turnips, apples, sweet and Irish potatoes, onions, beets, &c., at W. J. Wyatt & Co. oct 27

For
Breakfast strips, hams, best flour, apples, cabbage, meal, meat, &c., go to Paul Norwood & Co's. d10-tf

D. R. T. W. HARRIS,
OFFICE OVER RAWLS' STORE.

Office hours:—12 to 1 p. m., 5 to 6 p. m., and 8 to 9 p. m.

RESIDENCE:—Corner of Main and Roxboro Streets, Z. I. Lyon house.

Notice of Incorporation!

In accordance with law, I certify and declare that B. N. Duke, R. G. Lea, J. B. Cobb, T. D. Jones, R. H. Jones, S. F. Tomlinson, J. S. Carr, G. W. Watts, A. H. Stokes, T. L. Peay, A. K. Umstead, L. W. Wise, I. M. Reams, Lucius Tilley, John S. Lockhart, T. H. Martin, W. R. Cooper, Thomas Walker, J. L. Watkins, R. K. Smith, E. J. Parrish, W. A. Lea, J. T. Pinnix, having complied with all the requirements of the law, have been this day duly created a body, politic and corporate, under the name and style of "The Durham Tobacco Association," and as such corporation may sue and be sued; have a common seal; make by-laws; charge and collect fees; elect officers and members; prescribe rules and regulations for the government of the business of the tobacco trade in Durham; fix time, order and conduct public sales; arbitrate disputes, through committee of its appointment, differences and disputes of its member; establish and enforce rules to sustain the reputation of the market and its dealers; provide means for the detection and punishment of all such as whose conduct tends to affect injuriously the reputation of the local dealers; adopt and enforce means to secure uniformity in the classification of tobacco, and to do all other things incident to such general business; to continue 30 years; said members and their present and future associates, successors and assigns are not personally liable for any of the debts or contracts of the corporation. There is no capital stock. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand Dec. 10th, 1887.
D. C. MANGUM,
d13 C. S. C. Durham County.

Christmas!

—AT—

TATUM'S,

Near Dukes Factory.

Confectionaries, Nuts,
RAISENS, APPLES, ORANGES,
Canned Goods,
FIRE WORKS, TOYS,
Christmas Presents
Of many descriptions.

STAPLE and FANCY GROCERIES
Fresh Meats, Sausage, &c.,
Tobacco, Snuff and Cigars
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