

Matters at Havana, Cuba, seem to be much the same since the battleship Maine was blown up.

The White Man and the White Metal is the shibboleth of the North Carolina democracy in the coming campaign.

We have no additional news from Havana as we go to press. The Naval court of enquiry has not made its report, but outside reports are to the effect that the Maine was blown up by a torpedo.

Our latest information is that the Maine was blown up by outside agencies and not by the ship's own magazine.

Governor Russell and Bob Hancock are not harmonious like they "used to was."

Just as Good

as Scott's and we sell it much cheaper," is a statement sometimes made by the druggist when Scott's Emulsion is called for.

Scott's Emulsion

of Cod-Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda as the standard, and the purchaser who desires to procure the "standard" because he knows it has been of untold benefit, should not for one instant think of taking the risk of using some untried preparation.

The big Monitor Terror left the Navy yards at Norfolk on the 24th and steamed to Old Point and is waiting orders.

Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.

The murder of the negro postmaster at Lake City, S. C., a short time ago is a most brutal affair, to say the least.

The railroads are ready to transport troops to Key West and strategic points on the coast of Florida or Mobile at a few hours notice.

Rev. Dr. Weston has recently discovered further evidence of P. S. Ney being Marshal Ney whose history he has recently written.

If President Cleveland had recognized Cuba there would not have been any trouble. President McKinley is being censured severely for his tardiness and hesitancy in this matter.

In Memoriam.

John O. South was born Dec. 14th, 1865, and died of typhoid fever Dec. 20th, 1897, after an illness of only about two weeks.

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It there is a war North Carolina can furnish 245,000 men and it can be abundantly proven that there is fight in the tar-heels.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles.

Assistant District Attorney, Covington, we judge, believes in civil service as he is still holding down his job against Blackburn.

LAND SALE.

North Carolina, Watauga county. Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed to me by Geo. W. Eggers and wife, A. C. Eggers, on the 27th day of Nov. 1897 to secure the payment of the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120 00) and default having been made in the payment of said sum (there being yet due and unpaid the sum of fifty two dollars and seventy cents (\$52.70) and interest on said amount).

GOOD GOODS. LOW PRICES.

This is no unwarranted assertion, nor a piece of hosh literature circulated to draw trade to our store, but it is a plain, straight truth we tell when we say that our prices on General Merchandise cannot be duplicated in the county.

Your Patronage?

READY MADE CLOTHING? We have a very handsome line, and they are going at Rock Bottom Prices.

DRY GOODS?

A very nice line on hand of beautiful waxes from calicoes to costly dress goods, at catchy prices.

CANNED GOODS?

Decidedly the largest lot and best variety ever offered to the people of Watauga.

THE VIRGINIA FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE CO.

ORGANIZED.....1852 Paid in losses in last ten years, over.....\$2,000,000.00 Paid in losses last year over.....\$250,000.00

Rates on unoccupied frame farm houses, with shingle roof, 2 1/2 cents per day, or 75 cents per month, or \$9.00 per year for \$1,000 insurance payable in easy installments.

OH! LADIES!

Make your breath Sweet by using KEY & CO'S VIRGINIAN DIP SCOTCH SNUFF. ASK YOUR DEALER FOR IT, PLEASE

NOTICE. I am now located in the old D. B. Dougherty post office building in Boone, prepared to repair watches, clocks, etc. I make a specialty of repairing all makes of sewing machines, let the defect be what it may, and guarantee the work for five years.

NOTICE. All persons indebted to Jesse J. Day, late of Watauga county, N. C., will please come forward and make immediate settlement, and all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased will present the same to me within twelve months from the date of this notice or it will be plead in bar of their recovery.

OH, NO!

We do not propose to move the township line nor shake the dust from the feet of the Chinese, but we intend to offer you bargains in DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, NOTIONS, CLOTHING, HARDWARE, and anything else contained in a general line of merchandise.

OUR PRICES WILL SUIT YOU. We have in stock a full line of Nails, Trace chains, Queensware, Glassware, etc. DON'T STOP until you have reached our store if you want bargains. We are at our old stand always ready to serve you.

PATENTS. 50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE. TRADE MARKS, DESIGNS, COPYRIGHTS &c. Anyone sending a sketch and description will quickly ascertain, free, whether an invention is probably patentable.

READ And By a Small Outlay Perhaps Save a Home. The Farmers' Mutual Fire Association, Watauga and Mitchell Branch. A company of the people for the people and by the people as safe as the safest and cheaper than the cheapest. Fair and honorable adjustment without lawsuits.

Don't Forget That -MORITZ & FARTHING- ARE STILL IN THE LEAD -IN- LOW PRICES. And are making glad the many patrons who daily crowd our store. Friend, if you have never taken the opportunity to examine our goods and prices, please do so, and you will be convinced that your neighbor has not been jesting when he said we give the most goods for the least money. Our stock of General Merchandise is increasing daily. New Gains every week. Come often and get your share as they go. Very Truly, Moritz & Farthing.