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**W. M. SMITH.**  
**FALL TRADE FOR 1874.**  
**1500 Cases Boots and Shoes**  
TO BE SOLD AT THE BOOT AND SHOE HOUSE  
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WE ARE NOW OFFERING TO PURCHASERS unparalleled inducements to buy  
**Boots, Shoes, Hats, Trunks, &c.**  
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**Boot and Shoe Establishment, in 1st National Bank Building.**  
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We keep the only strictly Retail Boot and Shoe Store to be found in the city, and having bought our goods exclusively for CASH, in such quantities as to command low prices, we are enabled to sell our goods at the lowest rates in the South. Call and see us, and we will satisfy you that we have the best stock of goods ever offered to the RETAIL TRADE.

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Charlotte Agency, Oct. 20th, 1874.

**The Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad**  
INVITES the attention of all Merchants and Cotton Shippers in Charlotte, and upon the route connecting there, to the extraordinary advantages of connections with all Northern Rivers and South Atlantic Coast Ports enjoyed over its line.

1st. The Great Atlantic Coast Line via Columbia, Wilmington and Portsmouth to Baltimore. Daily. Insurance 1 percent.  
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2d. By way of Wilmington and Direct Steam Line to Baltimore. Wednesdays and Saturdays. Insurance 1 percent.  
PHILADELPHIA, EVERY WEDNESDAY, INSURANCE 1 PER CENT. NEW YORK, WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS, INSURANCE EQUALIZED TO THAT OF NORFOLK.

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THE unparalleled Steam Line facilities of the three Ports of Portsmouth, Wilmington and Charleston and the combined equipments of the C. O. & A., W. C. & A., and other roads, enable us to bid for cotton and all other merchandise in unlimited quantities, and to assure our patrons of absolute freedom from detention.  
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Col. JOHN B. PALMER, President, Gen'l Freight Agent.  
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**FATE ALEXANDER IS STILL ALIVE,**  
AND IS ONE OF THE FIRM OF  
**ALEXANDER, SEIGLE & CO.,**  
Who have a Large and Well-selected Stock of  
**DRY GOODS, &c.**

Bought direct from Manufacturers and Importers for cash, embracing Dress Goods, all colors and styles; an elegant line of Black Alpaca, White and Colored Flannels, Ladies' and Misses' Fancy Neck Ties, Ribbons, Beaded Gimps, Belts of every description, Embroideries, Real and Imitation Laces, Shawls, Table Damask, Towels and Napkins, Irish Linens, Bleached and Brown Sheeting and Sheetings, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings. In short, everything to be found in a general stock of Dry Goods. Also, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Oil Carpets, Table Oilcloths, House Furnishing Goods, including Oil and Walnut Mouldings.  
Respectfully,  
**Alexander, Seigle & Co.,**  
TRADE STREET.

**PINK STOCK FOR SALE.**  
Any one wishing to buy a fine stock of HOGS will do well to write or give me a call. The hogs are Poland, China and Berkshire, and warranted pure. The Poland China, at twelve months, will weigh from four to six hundred pounds.  
JAMES M. MEANS, Concord, N. C.  
Oct 24-2w

**LAST NOTICE**  
**PLANTERS**  
who expect to deliver cotton at 17 cents per pound, in payment of their ginning notes, are  
For the Last Time,  
advised that on the FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER, they will be debared the privilege.  
SANDERS & BLACKWOOD,  
Oct 25-td Agents Wilcox, Gibbs & Co.

**The Charlotte Observer.**  
PUBLISHED BY  
**Charles R. Jones, Proprietor.**  
Office, Springs Building, Trade Street.

**RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.**  
**CHARLOTTE MARKETS.**  
Cotton Market.  
[Reported Daily by Cates Bros., Cotton Commission Merchants.]  
CHARLOTTE, N. C., October 30.  
Indian, 9 a 10  
Ordinary, 11  
Good Ordinary, 12 1/2  
Low Middling, 13 1/2  
Middling, 14 1/2  
Satin, 28 bales, 184  
Market firm.

**Country Produce.**  
[Drying Rates.]  
Reported by G. W. Chalk & Co.  
Bacon—Hams, per lb, 15  
Sides, 13  
Shoulders, 12  
Hog Round, 11  
Beef—Choice, 20  
Butter—Choice, 20 2/2  
Brandy—Apple, \$1 75  
Peach, 2 00  
Eggs, per dozen, 22  
Flour—Family, per sack, 3 50  
Super, 3 00  
Fruit—Dried Apples, per pound, 3  
Peaches, 3  
Blackberries, 4  
Green Apples—per bushel, 18  
Chickens, spring, each, 25  
Turkeys, 75  
Ducks, 125  
Grain—White, per bushel, 1 12  
New, 90  
Wheat—Red, per bush, 1 50  
White, 1 65  
Oats—Black, 75  
White, 80  
Peanut—Pure clay, 95  
Mixed, 90  
Hides—Dry, 7  
Green, 7 1/2  
Lard—Good, 12  
Common, 12 1/2  
Meal—White, (old corn) 1 00  
New, 1 00  
Onions, (57 lbs to bushel) 75  
Potatoes—Irish, 75  
Sweet, 50  
Tallow, 35  
Wool—Washed, 35  
Unwashed, 25

"Free from that venality which corrupts the conscience or that pity which corrupts justice."

**CITY BULLETIN.**  
Christmas ain't quite two months off. And to-day we see the last of festive October. "Bring in another horse."

**A Correction.**  
There is a rumor the other day that one Flynn Bradshaw had been arrested in Rowan county, charged with being accessory to the murder of a man named McFee, whose dead body was found in a creek in the county named about three weeks since. Bradshaw is on trial for counterfeiting, and McFee had turned State's evidence. The report that Bradshaw has been arrested for this murder is an error. Our information was from gentlemen in whose statements we can ordinarily place full confidence; but they were mistaken in this instance. It may be that they were confused by a report which we hear, to the effect that Bradshaw's wife and daughter were taken to Salisbury to give evidence before the grand jury concerning the death of McFee, who was last seen alive at or near their house.

**Rose and Harry Watkins.**  
We had a call yesterday from Mr. W. Andrew Boyd, the manager of the Rose and Harry Watkins theatrical company, which will play in Charlotte every night next week, beginning on Monday. Their first representation will be "Trodden Down; or, Under Two Flags." They play this splendidly, as indeed they do everything else in which they appear. That charming little syren, Amy Lee, figures extensively in this, and by her sweetness of face, deportment and voice, will delight all her audience.

"Trodden Down" is one of the favorite plays of this troupe, and they have played it with marked acceptability on the boards in many of the principal cities of America. Next week will be a great time in Charlotte for the lovers of the legitimate drama. We hope the Opera House will be filled every night. Tickets for sale at Tiddy's bookstore.

**Resignation and Appointment.**  
Captain W. J. Sprinkle, the urbane and efficient conductor of one of the passenger trains of the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, has tendered his resignation to take effect November 1st, for the purpose of assuming a similar position on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, running from Charlotte, N. C., to the old home, to Augusta, Ga. Mr. John M. Walker, our fellow-townsmen, and who for some time past has been connected with the Pullman Palace Car Company, has been appointed to succeed him. While we congratulate the railroad company in being able to secure the services of Mr. Walker in his stead—Wilmington Journal.

**One on Woodson.**  
Mrs. Mass' Burlesque Opera Troupe played on Thursday night to a large and delighted audience at Salisbury. Woodson, of the Raleigh News, was at the Fair there, with his striped tent, and was at the opera. A dialogue occurred on the stage between two of the actors, when one asked the other this question: "What is the difference between the moon and Woodson?" Well, he didn't know—that? "Why," said the first, "the moon is full once a month, and Woodson is full all the time." Exit Woodson.

**A Dress Hop.**  
We acknowledge an invitation to attend a dress hop to be given at the Central Hotel, in Charlotte, on Thursday evening, November 5th, with Thomas J. Moore as chairman of the whole arrangements, and Messrs. John E. Orr, W. W. Overman and Charles N. Vance as the Committee of Invitation. Our Woodson will be on hand, that is, if he can have his spiketail command, in time, if not, he will trespass upon Caldwell's assistance.—Raleigh News.

**Hickory Fair.**  
We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend the Fair of the People's Agricultural and Mechanical Association, which begins at Hickory on the 11th of November, and continues through the 18th. Our Hickory friends calculate on having an excellent Fair and a large crowd. We hope they will not be disappointed.

**The Story of a Baby.**  
Yesterday a young woman of this city appeared before Justice A. H. Martin, and told the following story: About six months ago she went to one of the depots to meet her sister, who she expected on the night train. While standing on the platform a gentleman who she could only describe as having a long black beard, came up to her and placed a young baby in her arms, telling her to care for it and when it needed anything to call upon a certain citizen, whose name the magistrate refused to communicate to us, and he would give her money or whatever she wanted. The man placed some money in her hand and quickly disappeared.

She had occasion not long since to need something for the child, and went to the citizen upon whom she had been instructed to call, and he promptly supplied the demand by giving her \$20. The woman said the man who committed the child to her care said he was from \_\_\_\_\_ county in this State.

We do not understand exactly what the woman's object is in telling this story to a magistrate. She says she draws on the citizen above referred to, for whatever the child needs, and for her pay for keeping it; that the child is thriving, and that she is much attached to it, and expects to continue her guardianship over it.

The whole story may or may not be a myth. There is something a little mysterious about it all, however, and, this being the case, it is rather interesting.

**Swindlers.**  
There are all over this city, dense into which the swindlers are daily entangled. Negroes and white men, coming here from the country are laid in wait for by every turn, and so soon as it is found that they are "green" (and if they are these swindlers tell it in a minute) and have money, the swindlers go for him and soon beguile him into their hands, when he is fleeced by force he is let off, cases of this kind are of daily occurrence. Many of them, no doubt, are never heard of, because those who are swindled would rather maintain the loss than have their scandal discovered.

It seems that the police are powerless to break up this system of organized theft. The operators are wily as can be, and are cautious enough to evade the officers of the law, and so long as people are fool enough to be seduced into these negro dens, just so long will they find themselves defrauded without having any redress.

**The State Debt.**  
The Editor must not be understood as endorsing the views of our correspondent "O" on this question which we published yesterday. It was considered an important subject and as such it was given a prominent place in the paper. The question of the adjustment of the public debt of the State is one of no ordinary magnitude, and one which we expect to press home, between now and the time of the assembling of the Legislature; and as it is not a political subject we feel justified in giving the views of any correspondent who expresses himself intelligently on a question of such vital importance.

We make room this morning for an article on this subject from a gentleman of this city who is fully qualified to grapple with the question of the payment of the debt, and we ask for it a careful perusal.

**Fair Notes.**  
Rutledge's stable of five race horses arrived in this city yesterday morning for the races next week. The names of the horses are: Jo Nannie, Bob Kennedy, Grey Charlie, Dewdrop and Vandal Colt. The last named is perhaps the most noted of the five. They are all fine looking horses.

Bacon's horses will arrive this morning, and Crawford's to-night.

The Directors of the Fair were in consultation again yesterday, making final arrangements for the grand exhibition next week. With the exception of a few minor details, all the plans have been perfected, and nothing now stands in the way.

Letters and messages are being received daily, and entries continue to be made.

**Mayor's Cock.**  
That infamous, irrepressible, Hamlet Mowry, was logged up before the Mayor again yesterday morning, after just having emerged from a term of imprisonment in the calabos. The charge this time was for a fight with Ella Robinson. The Mayor fined her \$5. She didn't take the money, and went back to her old quarters in the lock-up.

John Cameron, colored, and Joe LeGrand, white, were up for an affray, which resulted from a game of cards. The former was fined \$5, and the latter \$4.

**The Concert Last Night.**  
The crowd which assembled at the Opera House last evening, was composed of the elite of the city—those of the most refined taste and highest culture, musical and otherwise, which Charlotte affords. The appearance of the crowd indicated this, but if any further evidence was needed, it was furnished in the strict attention given the performers, and the evident enjoyment which involuntarily burst forth at the conclusion of some pieces which were rather more remarkable in themselves than others, and in which the rendition was rather more faultless than in others.

It is folly for an unscientific writer to attempt to handle a scientific subject; he not only mars that which he would adorn, but he does himself injustice. It is perhaps for latter reason that the writer refrains from attempting an elaborate account of the concert last evening. We can say, though, that it was all that was hoped for it by the manager and performers, and perhaps even better than the audience expected. We know enough about music to know that some of the vocalizing was splendid, and enough about beauty to know that certain of the vocalists were as beautiful as ever sung under gaslight. As to the finest piece and the best rendered, we shall not commit ourselves. Those who were there know what it was, and those who stayed away don't deserve to know.

The Concert was a fine success. The performers acquitted themselves in the handsomest manner, and some showed themselves as containing, partly undeveloped, the talent of real artists. Too much cannot be said in praise of the leading spirits, Professor and Madame De Castro. Accomplished musicians as they are, they did themselves credit last evening, and those who have been under their training reflected credit upon them. We hope it will not be long before Charlotte shall have another opportunity of listening to one of their delightful Concerts.

We will not pursue this subject further. We saw there last evening a friend who is thoroughly competent to deal with a friend whose pen beautifies everything it touches—a friend, upon whom we have before now called for assistance, and who has always honored our drafts. Upon this friend we shall call for a report of the entertainment in detail, and if it is given at all, it will do full justice to it and all. With the hope that we shall be able to lay before our readers to-morrow a proper critique of the proceedings, we dismiss the Concert for the present, with this general notice.

**Editor's Home.**  
We can inform our brethren of the press from abroad, that special arrangements for their accommodation and comfort will be made on the Fair Grounds next week. A room will be set aside for them, and stocked with paper, pens and ink, chairs, tables and so forth—more especially the and so forth. Let every fellow come.

**F. H. Andrews & Co.**  
We call the attention of the public to the advertisement of F. H. Andrews & Co. who have begun business on Trade Street, opposite the Court House. They will, in a few days, establish a bakery in connection with their business. We bespeak for them the liberal patronage of the public.

**All-Hallow Eve.**  
To-morrow, November 1, is All-Saints' Day. To-day, therefore, is All-Hallow Eve—a day venerated by the young folks. The legend is, that, at 12 o'clock, on All-Hallow Eve, the reflection of the face of one's sweetheart can be seen at the bottom of a well.

**New Advertisements.**  
**ROSE AND HARRY WATKINS**  
ARE COMING.  
But do not let them drive from your mind the fact that

**F. H. Andrews & Co.**  
have opened a  
**New Bakery and Confectionery**

at the White Front, opposite the Court House, where they will keep a full stock of Bread, Cakes, Pie, Canned Goods, Pickles, Cigars, Tobacco, etc., etc. Our many friends and everybody else are invited to call.

**LIME AND SHINGLES.**  
No. 1 Rockville Lime. Yellow Pine Shingles, all heart, and superior Cypress Shingles, kept constantly on hand, and for sale as low as the lowest.  
PEGRAM & WARD,  
Oct 31-1m C. C. & A. B. Depot.

**TAKE NOTICE.**  
That the best Hams, Shoulders, (covered and uncovered), Early Rose and Peerless Potatoes, Railroad Ham, Macaroni, Cheese, and all kinds of goods, usually kept in a first-class Grocery Establishment, can be found at  
J. S. M. DAVIDSON'S  
City Grocery,  
Trade Street.

**OPENED AGAIN.**  
THE BOARDING HOUSE will be reopened next Sunday morning for the accommodation of regular and transient boarders. It can accommodate sixteen regular boarders.  
Terms: Five Dollars per week.  
J. S. M. DAVIDSON.

**A FULL** line of all kinds of Patent Medicines on hand will be sold cheap for cash at  
JUNE 16 McADEN'S DRUG STORE.

**FOR THE FAIR.**  
**A Special Train**  
Chester, S. C., and Charlotte,  
DURING THE FAIR WEEK,  
commencing on  
**Monday, the 2d November,**  
for the accommodation of  
**PERSONS VISITING THE FAIR,**  
leaving Chester at 7 o'clock A. M. each day, and returning leave Charlotte at 4.45 P. M. each day.

Round Trip Tickets for one fare from all points between Chester and Charlotte.

Trains will depart from the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta depot and the Fair Grounds  
**Every Twenty Minutes,**  
from 8 o'clock A. M. to 8 P. M. each day during the Fair.

Price: TEN CENTS each way.  
**THOMAS ANDERSON,**  
Master of Transportation.

**NORTH CAROLINA**  
**State Life Insurance Co.**  
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**THOS. H. HAUGHTON,**  
District Agent,  
OFFICE: CHARLOTTE HOTEL, Oct 25-1f

**B. C. F. HARRISON, Auctioneer,**  
Opposite the Court House,  
**CHARLOTTE, N. C.,**

commencing this day, (FRIDAY) October 31, 1874, at 7 o'clock P. M., and to be continued on Saturday.

**Great Special Sale at Auction**  
of the largest and most valuable stock of  
**GENUINE DIAMONDS,**  
Set in 18-Karat Gold,  
Rings, Pins, Ear-Rings, Studs, Etc.,

**500 Gold and Silver Watches.**  
From the best-known makers in Europe and America, consisting of Chronograph, Split-seconds, Quarter-seconds, English, Swiss and American, pendant and key-winders of the latest styles; set with Diamonds, Enamelled and Frosted, for ladies and gentlemen, in solid 18 and 14 Karat Gold and Coin Silver Hunting Cases. Fine Gold Chains; Opera, Matinee, Nelson and Vest Chains of the latest style, warranted solid Gold. Solid Fine Gold Jewelry of the newest patterns and richest designs of sets, rings, lockets, pins, studs, sleeve buttons, etc., etc.

I will offer the above stock of strictly first-class goods, from a well-known establishment on Broadway, New York, whose goods can guarantee to be as represented, at auction, without reserve, commencing on FRIDAY, October 30, at Two and half and 7 o'clock P. M.

This valuable stock will be on exhibition before sale. Ladies especially are invited to call and examine the stock, who will be waited on at private sale at Auction. Prices.

**LARGE, FAT NORFOLK OYSTERS**  
THIS MORNING, AT  
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Sand and get some. 40 cents per quart.  
One door above Market House. Oct 28

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of every description, and a large and beautiful selection at  
O. P. HARRISON, Auctioneer,  
Oct 28, WOLFE, BARINGER & CO.

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WITKOWSKY & RINTEL'S.

**HAVING JUST RECEIVED A NEW** lot of Beautiful Carpets and Rugs, we are prepared to furnish our trade very low, and to offer the handsome patterns to be seen in the city. Call and see for yourself at the retail store of  
Oct 30 WITKOWSKY & RINTEL'S.