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1500 Cases Boots and Shoes
TO BE SOLD AT THE BOOT AND SHOE HOUSE
SMITH & FORBES,
Tryon Street, CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nearly opposite Central Hotel.
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Merchants in Charlotte as well as those in the surrounding country, will find it to their advantage to call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere.
We mean to sell Goods as low as any house in New York, Boston, or Baltimore, with freight added. They can always save the expense of a trip North by buying from us at home.
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THE ELLIOT CASE.
Writter Court-Friday's Proceedings-The Taking of Testimony, &c., &c.
WILKESBORO, N. C., Friday Night, Nov. 19.
This was the second day of the trial of Joseph D. Elliott. About 10 o'clock, Court was called to order. The prisoner appeared at the bar, neatly and cleanly dressed, accompanied by his father and mother, and his grandfather, ex-Sheriff Duckworth, of Burke county, all of whom sat by him during the day. Elliott is looking remarkably well, considering his long confinement, and his spirits are surprisingly good. I had a conversation with him this morning; he expresses himself as feeling perfectly well and confident of a favorable issue of the trial. He appears entirely self-possessed, and greets his acquaintances with a hearty grasp of the hand, or with a smile and nod. He was always an unusually handsome boy, and I thought as I looked at him this morning, with his bright blue eyes, long black hair and finely cut features, that I had never seen him look handsomer; albeit, his imprisonment has taken from his cheeks much of the ruddy glow that they were wont to wear, before the bloody drama in which he played the principal part.
After the jury roll was called this morning, and all the jurymen were found to be present, the State's counsel called and sworn in the witnesses for the prosecution, and announced that it was ready for the trial of the case. Col. W. H. Cowles, the District Attorney, rose to make a statement of the case, and presented a summary of the testimony which the State proposed to bring out through its witnesses. The indictment being for murder, the prosecution need do no more than establish the fact of the homicide. Col. Cowles here attempted to read a long hearing upon the case, which was objected to by Col. Armfield, who contended that this was something unknown to American practice, and after a discussion, participated in by Col. Cowles on the one side, and Col. Armfield and John Augustus Houston, was out, and is frequently, Col. Armfield was trying to get half for Jo. Our conversation lasted for a half or three-quarters of an hour. The defense asked witness if he knew whether or not deceased had been in the habit of carrying loaded weapons, whereupon the State interposed objection, contending that the question was irrelevant. A lengthy discussion sprang up. The question was argued elaborately and ably by Mr. McCorkle, of the State, and Col. Armfield and Folk, of the defense, and various authorities were cited by counsel on both sides in support of their positions. The court ruled the question out, and this made out the case for the State, for the present.
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