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W. M. SMITH. W. S. FORBES.
WINTER TRADE FOR 1874.
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.
WITHIN the next ninety days, we intend to sell a large stock of Men's, Women's, Boy's, Misses' and Children's BOOTS, SHOES and HATS, comprising all grades, a large proportion of which have been
Manufactured Expressly to Our Own Order.
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 our house.
R. D. WADE. SAM. S. PEGRAM.

1875. SPECIAL NOTICE.



WE Desire to return thanks to our friends and customers for their very liberal patronage during the past year, and we hope by fair dealing to merit a continuance of the same. We will continue to pay strict attention to the

RETAIL TRADE.

ur Goods purchased at Cash prices, and specially adapted to the wants of the Retail c. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fine Goods a specialty.

CALL AND SEE US.

WADE & PEGRAM,
SIGN OF THE BRASS BOOT.

Jan 13th Opposite Central Hotel, Charlotte, N. C.

MRS. P. QUERY,

Has the Largest and Finest stock of
MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS
in the State. Call and see her.

CHARLOTTE, COLUMBIA & AUGUSTA R. R.

Charlotte Agency, Oct. 20th, 1874.

The Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad
INVITES the attention of all Merchants and Cotton Shippers in Charlotte, and upon the roads connecting there, to the extraordinary advantages of connections with all Northern Points and South Atlantic Sea Ports enjoyed over its lines.

- 1st. The Great Atlantic Coast Line via Columbia, Wilmington and Portsmouth to Baltimore, Daily, Insurance 1 per cent. Philadelphia, Daily, Insured.
 - NEW YORK, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY INSURANCE 1 PER CENT. BOSTON, TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS, INSURANCE 1 PER CENT. PROVIDENCE, WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.
 - 2d. By way Wilmington and Direct Steam Line to Baltimore, Wednesdays and Saturdays, Insurance 1 per cent.
 - PHILADELPHIA, EVERY WEDNESDAY, INSURANCE 1 PER CENT. NEW YORK WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS, INSURANCE EQUALIZED TO THAT OF NORFOLK.
 - 3d. By the Charleston Line to Baltimore, Weekly.
- EVERY FRIDAY, TO NEW YORK, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS, TO BOSTON, EVERY SATURDAY.

THE unrivalled Steam Line facilities of the three Ports of Portsmouth, Wilmington and Charleston, and the combined equipments of the C. C. & 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.
Gen'l Manager, Hon. R. R. BRIDGES, President.
Col. JOHN B. PALMER, General Superintendent.
JAS. ANDERSON, General Freight Agent.
A. POPE, W. W. PEGRAM, Agen

N. C. HARRY & CO.,

House, Sign and Frescoe Painters.

PARTICULAR attention paid to Freezing Churches and Town Halls, throughout the Country. Office under Central Hotel.

THIS space belongs to ALEXANDER, SEIGLE & CO., who desire the public to know that they have moved into their new Store, where they will be pleased to see their friends and customers.

JACOB M. MENDEL,
MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN
Cigars, Tobacco, Pipes, Snuff, &c.
TRADE STREET, CHARLOTTE, N. C.
Stock always on hand to suit Country Merchants especially.
Burr's Shoes For Ladies.
SUPERIOR Flavored Extracts.
Sherry Wine for cooking purposes.
W. W. R. BURWELL & CO.,
Druggists

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Charles R. Jones, Proprietor.
Office, Observer Building, Corner Trade and College Streets.

LOCAL NOTES.
The streets show signs of drying off. Lots of people in town yesterday. Glorious moonlight night! "So nice!" They have a party in Mechanicville, we are told, mighty near every night; now.

"Centennial Cocktails" are superceding "Becher Smashes" at Charlotte bars. Reserved seats for to-morrow evening's performance, are being rapidly taken.

Quite chilly last night, and even with the inspiring influence of the moon's rays, there was no solid comfort on front steps or at front gates, without a stove.

Beautifully the front of Mr. S. P. Smith's new store, is going on. It will be by all odds the handsomest and most elaborately worked front in the city.

All the posts for the telegraph between Charlotte and Wilmington are now up, and the wires will be stretched and in working order by the last of this week or the first of next.

Advertisement of Wooten's Express will be seen in another column. Goods will be promptly shipped over this line, and are so protected that the security against their loss is absolute.

The ham which was advertised in yesterday's paper to be given to any needy widow in the city, with a family, upon a certificate being presented from the Mayor, was taken before 12 o'clock.

The police, a little after 12 o'clock last night, broke up a crowd of negroes who, having an organ grinder in tow, were making night hideous and rendering the lives of sleepless citizens a burden.

Mr H. C. STROUS, of whom we spoke yesterday as the happy individual who married Miss Ida Wilson, becomes indignant because we did not join him to Miss Ida Walker, with whom the officiating minister joined him.

Yesterday was a lively day around the cotton platform. Sellers and buyers were thick there, and there was something decidedly bustling and business-like in the rushing gaits of them all, the hurried work of the weighers and inspectors, and the haste with which trucks and tractors moved about.

Personal.
Maj. A. C. Avery, of Morganton, arrived in the city yesterday morning, and took the North train last evening, for Raleigh.

Capt. W. H. Green, Master of Transportation of the North Carolina Railroad, arrived at the Central Hotel last night.

Old Papers.
Merchants and others having need of old newspapers, can buy any number at the Observer's office. Bustles having gone out of fashion, we find them rather unsalable, and will sell our stock at prices greatly reduced from what they were when the above named charming article of female wear was at the zenith of its glory and popularity.

The Wilmington Train.
There has been no train through from Wilmington for two days. A construction train ran off the track 11 miles from this city on Monday afternoon, and the engine's tender is lying now across the road. When the first train will get through is not known here, owing to there being no through telegraphic communications, but it will probably be in some time this morning.

The Little Italian Fiddler.
The dark eyed son of Italy who, for several days past has been going about through the streets of the city, with fiddle resting on knee, is still on hand, and the soothing strains of his time-honored instrument, are instantly heard when he can get a favorable response to his oft-repeated query: "Av some music?" He's a bright little chap, and he rasps that fiddle as if for dear life.

The Chester Trip.
Next Monday evening is when the anniversary of the Stonewall Fire Company of Chester, takes place. The officers of the fire companies of Charlotte, and their invited guests, will leave here at 12 M., on that day, by special train, and, after the celebration in the evening and night, return to Charlotte, leaving Chester at 8 A. M. A glorious time is anticipated by those who will go from this city.

New Paper in Shelby.
We have received a prospectus of the Shelby Aurora, a new paper, the initial number of which will be issued the 23d inst. by J. P. Babington, Esq., a gentleman whose experience in newspaper offices is not a limited one. The prospectus announces that the Aurora will be published every Saturday, and will contain the freshest news of a local, State and National character, the latest market reports, editorials on leading topics, &c. In politics, the paper will be Conservative. Terms \$2 per annum. We wish Mr. Babington success in his venture.

The City Gas Company.
We have no doubt that there will henceforth be an improvement in the supply of gas in this city. The ill health of Dr. Fox, for several months past, has prevented him giving the works the attention which should have been paid them, and in consequence, the supply has not only been short at times, but frequently the quality has been inferior. It pleases us to know that L. W. Sanders, Esq., has leased the works from Dr. Fox, until the 1st November next. Jas. H. Carson, Esq., is the President of the Company. The managers will repair and re-organize the whole working material of the works, until they are put in first-class condition, after which all complaint of them, it is thought, will be stopped.

In addition to the old company, the Board of Aldermen, at its Monday night meeting, granted license to a new company, having Capt. F. S. DeWolfe for its manager, to run its pipes through the streets, and to exercise all the functions of the other company. With two companies in the city, Charlotte will have cheaper, better and more reliable gas, and what has hitherto been a great defect here—a lack of light—will be cured.

Robbing a Smoke House.
We learn that on Saturday night last, the smoke house of Mr. Brown Wallace, who lives about six miles from Charlotte, on the Monroe road, was entered by thieves and robbed of about two hundred pounds of meat. The thieves first tried to break the lock and falling in this, dug under the building. There has been, recently, a good deal of villainy of this kind in that neighborhood.

Katie Putnam.
Wherever in the United States the drama is known, Katie Putnam's fame has extended. She is well known in all the large cities, and has played long and successful engagements in nearly all of them. Her popularity is unbounded, and Charlotte should feel herself honored in being visited by so talented an actress. We understand from our exchanges in the Southern cities that Miss Putnam's support this season is unexceptionably good, and everything conspires to induce the belief that, to-morrow, Friday and Saturday evenings, we will have the opportunity of seeing some of the finest acting ever known in a city South of Baltimore.

An Outsider's Opinion of Charlotte.
Mr. John Duckett, one of the editors of the Rockingham Courier, was in Charlotte last week. He is a young man, but he carries a level head and knows a business place when he sees it. Here is what he says about our place: "The merchants of that city are mostly young men, and their vigor is apparent in their business. They are exceedingly sociable, enterprising and liberal. Many goods may be bought cheaper there than in Wilmington. Our friends in the city by the sea must be on the lookout, for Charlotte is in some respects even now ahead, and though she has no sea transportation, yet she has a brilliant future on account of the central situation and great railroad facilities."

The Accident on the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad.
The item which we published yesterday morning about an accident on the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad, we picked up about mid-night, on the streets, and it contained errors. The accident occurred on Monday night, instead of on Saturday night last, and information of it came to this city over the wires. Capt. King was the conductor, instead of the engineer, as we stated, and was injured in the manner in which we recorded it. He is not dangerously hurt. A train hand was considerably mangled up, and several passengers were bruised, more or less. A broken rail threw the train, or a part of it, into a cattle guard. Two cars were much damaged. The track was cleared yesterday.

In Dead Earnest.
We had a call from Col. J. H. Miller, Superintendent of Agencies for the Southern Life Insurance Company, accompanied by W. H. Parkins, Esq., architect from Atlanta, Ga., who comes to Charlotte, for the purpose of drawing the plans and specifications for the new building which is shortly to be erected by this enterprising company, on the East side of Tryon street, just South of the Central Hotel.

At a meeting of the board of directors yesterday evening the following resolution was unanimously adopted:
Resolved, That it is the sense of this board, that the plan of the building in Columbia (recently erected by the company) so far as is applicable to the lot here, be adopted, and that the architect, Mr. Parkins, shall make plans at once, and that the contracts be given out as soon as practicable.
This resolution has the ring of men in dead earnest, and we may say bespeaks the early completion of the work, because for these men to will, is to do.

Cotton Stealing.
On Monday night an attempt was made at stealing cotton from the cotton platform, but, fortunately, it was frustrated by the prompt action of Mr. James Moran, the watchman of the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad Depot, and Mr. Oehler Todd. As they were passing along the platform they detected some parties surrounding a cotton bale, and industriously at work. Making a quick movement upon them, Mr. Moran seized and held one of them, a negro named Albert Lord, and had him put in the lock-up. Around the bale, (which belonged to Messrs. Sanders & Blackwood, and which the would-be thieves had out open) there were found seven sacks, eleven of them filled with cotton and ready to be carried off. It was evidently the intention of the parties to take the whole bale.

Lord was arraigned before the Mayor yesterday morning. On the evidence of Mr. Moran he was committed to jail, to await trial at the next term of Court. The other parties have not been arrested as yet.
We do not remember a previous instance where an attempt was made to steal cotton from the platform, and it is well that this one was nipped in the bud.

Chambers Court Yesterday.
Judge Schenck resumed his Court again yesterday morning, and in the course of the day closed up quite an amount of business. Several cases were argued, the first of which was Burroughs & Springs vs. the Bank of Charlotte. This argument was a discussion of what was the meaning of a decision of the Supreme Court in this case. Judge Schenck has not yet rendered his decision. Jones & Johnston appeared for the plaintiffs, and Wilson & Son for the defendant. The case of Davis vs. Bowen was argued by Wilson & Son for the plaintiff and Vance and Dowd for the defendant. This was on a motion to set aside judgment. On the 14th inst.

The next case was Schenck vs. Hart. Motion to dismiss appeal from a Justice's Court and for a writ of restitution. The motion was allowed, but the Court announced that it would hear further argument and authorities from the defendant's counsel, if desired. Barringer and Jones & Johnston appeared for plaintiff, and J. E. Brown for defendant.
McMurray, Davis & Co. vs. Brainerd. Exception of defendant argued and the Court overruled the exception. Jones & Johnston appeared for the plaintiff and J. E. Brown for defendant.
Another case was taken up but was not concluded.
The Judge rendered a decision in the case of Parks vs. Alexander, of which we spoke a few days ago. This decision renders the defendant liable for the personal property of the estate which fell into his hands, except the slaves.
Court meets again this morning at 10 o'clock.

The Beggars.
There are of beggars not a few in this city just now, and they are of that fastidious class which is calculated to exasperate the most patient man. They want money, and if you offer them provisions, they instantly become impatient (if they happen to be full at the time). One of our citizens offered, a day or two ago, to buy one of these fellows his dinner, but, with the remark that he "wanted to buy his own dinner," he got snubbed because he couldn't get money, and went off. A beggar was seen yesterday to throw into the streets a handful of provisions which had just been given him, and to walk off from it with a look of injured dignity which would have done credit to a prince.

Charity is a good quality, but people should not be too indiscriminate in its exercise. Some of these rascals are entirely unworthy.

New Advertisements.

CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.
We, the undersigned, would respectfully announce to the citizens of Charlotte and the public generally, that we have formed a partnership, under the name and style of **TROTTER & WILKINSON**, to take effect January 1st, 1875. We propose to carry on the Buggy and Carriage Business in all its branches at Trotter's old stand, opposite city clock, Tryon Street. Our work shall not be surpassed in Durability and Neatness.
Special attention given to repairing; all work warranted for 12 months.
J. TROTTER,
W. T. WILKINSON,As the Company enjoys unequalled facilities in their connections, it is manifestly to the interest of all Shippers to apply to the Agent of this Company before making shipments by rival companies.
Remember that all goods via this Line are covered by and upon policy in the best companies, thus insuring absolute protection to shippers.
OFFICE—Tryon Street, Opposite Central Hotel.
H. M. CLARK, Proprietor.
Jan 20-1f.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.
WOOTEN'S CAROLINA CENTRAL Railway Express Company.
is now prepared to give prompt despatch to all Freight, Money and other valuable packages consigned to its care for any and all points upon Eastern and Western Division Carolina Central Railway.
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FOR SALE.
A good work or saddle horse, (works well anywhere) and a good, one or two horse wagon with shafts and tongue, all at a bargain.
CHAS. R. JONES,
Jan 17 1/2 At this Office.

TO OUR PATRONS.
Mr. H. C. Capps is no longer authorized to represent the Observer as a contractor for the city subscription list, my contract with him for that purpose having been this day abrogated.
CHAS. R. JONES,
Editor and Proprietor.
Jan 18 1/2

FRESH ARRIVALS.
35 Bashele large Mountain Potatoes, sold low by the Box. 10 Bbls Prime November Mulletts, will sell at low figures to close the Consignment. bbl of Home-made Cider Vinegar, something scarce in this market. Also chickens, butter, eggs & many other nice things to eat, come to the low price cash store to get your Family Supplies.
B. N. SMITH.
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To Merchants.
The most important reduction of the season. Within the next sixty days, we will offer at greatly reduced rates, our entire stock of
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Staple and Domestic Dry Goods, Ribbons, Cloths, Cassimeres, Ready-Made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Carpets and House Furnishing Goods,
at the lowest possible rates. Call soon.
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NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS.
The unexpired term of the lease of the Gas Company, having been bought from Dr. Fox by another party, I am authorized to say that, as soon as the necessary repairs can be made, there need be no fear of a lack of GAS thereafter, and that it is in contemplation to reduce the price just as soon as the Works can be put in proper repair.
JAS. H. CARSON,
President.
Jan 20-11.

NOTICE.
The beginning of a new year is a period for settling business accounts. We notify our patrons that we are now engaged in this important matter.
We have but a few customers who are not prompt in making monthly payments, and it is to them specially that we address this notice. Gentlemen, we cannot permit the occasion to pass without a settlement.
Very respectfully,
J. A. YOUNG & SON.
Jan 20-1w.

BOARDS WANTED!
I am prepared to furnish good board to a few select regular or transient boarders, by the day, week or month, at moderate prices. Location convenient to the business part of the city. Apply to
JOHN A. BRADSHAW,
Corner Church and 3rd Street.
Jan 19 1/2

LAND SALE.
Pursuant to a Mortgage made to me by J. M. Davidson and wife, Mary M., of date May 18, 1872, duly recorded and registered (Book 7, page 879), I will sell at auction at the Court House in Charlotte, on Monday, the 25th of January 1875, a tract of Land near Charlotte on the Lawyer's road, adjoining B. H. Moore, Judge Bryum and others, containing about 23 acres, and regarded as very valuable.
RUFUS BARRINGER,
dec 24 d3t w4 Trustee.

WANTED!
One or two pleasant rooms, furnished or unfurnished, with or without board, must be in a good locality not more than five minutes walk from Post Office. Address A. B. OBSERVER OFFICE.
Jan 19 1/2

CAPE FEAR BUILDING COMPANY.
General Contractors for buildings manufactured by Machinery, of select material. Private residences and public buildings, bridges, railroad cars, mouldings, brackets, balustrades, newel posts, hand railings, window frames, fencing, &c.
Orders solicited by Thos. H. Allen, at the office of Wooten's Express.
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OPERA HOUSE.
Three Nights Only.
COMMENCING
THURSDAY JAN. 21st.
"The Charming and Versatile Artist."
KATIE PUTNAM,
Supported by a Select and Versatile Company of first-class Metropolitan Artists.
THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 21st
Will be presented the Charming Play of
FANCHON, the CRACKER.
Miss PUTNAM as Fanchon, a character in which she stands pre-eminently out a rival. Incidental to the character, the famous Shadow-Dancer, May, the Dancer, and a beautiful ballet, "Good-Night, Good-Night," Change of bill each night.
ADMISSION—50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00.
A GRAND MATINEE.
Saturday Afternoon, January 24th.
Admission to Matinee, 50 and 25 cents. Seats can be secured without extra charge at Tiddy's Book Store.
CHAS. B. GRIST,
Jan 17 1/2

TO THE WHOLESALE TRADE.
JUDGING the future by the past, we state with confidence upon this new enterprise, of separating out Wholesale from our Retail Trade, by having a separate and distinct House for each; and in doing so, we flatter ourselves that it will not only meet the approval of our numerous customers, but that an "Exclusive Wholesale House" will bring us a large influx of new trade, and of a character not heretofore enjoyed.
It must be obvious to every buyer that a strictly "Wholesale House" arranged and adapted for that Trade only with a corps of experienced Wholesale Salesmen, with a Stock carefully selected for that Trade only, and moreover, the avoidance of coming in contact with retail buyers, which we and you all have heretofore found to be so irksome, as it frequently happens that the retail buyer is your very neighbor (perhaps your own customer). Such a house, we assert, must and will command itself to the trade.
Four years ago we advertised that we intended to make Charlotte a wholesale mart and ours "The Wholesale House." We now have the proud satisfaction of announcing an accomplished fact.
We now call your attention to the fact that we have converted our super-stores into an exclusive Wholesale House, where you can find all lines of goods necessary for a country store, to-wit: Dry goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Notions, Groceries, Hardware, Millinery, all in the hands of men and Sales-Ladies, all experienced, affable and obliging.
We will make the Millinery Branch a specialty.
Charlotte N. C. Aug. 11th, 1874.

HALES & FARRIOR,
WATCH MAKERS AND JEWELERS,
and dealers in
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silver and Plated Ware, Gold Pens, Spectacles, and such goods as are usually kept in a first-class Jewelry Store. All work in the line neatly done and warranted. Jan 2-1/2

ARCHITECT.
Offers his professional services to the citizens of Charlotte and vicinity, and pledges the experience and practice of fourteen years training as a graduate of the University of the City of New York.
Office Trade Street, Charlotte.
Jan 3 1/2

DAIRY FARM.
I will regularly open my Dairy Farm on the 1st of February; but for the present persons wanting MILK can get it by sending to my house next door to Boy's Lane, on Sixth Street.
W. M. MATTHEWS.
Jan 3-1/2

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We intend to do a first-class business and deal in first-class goods, and complete special inducements to the CASH PATRONS.
We will be glad to see our friends at all times, promising them, they shall be dealt with politely and honestly, and none shall go away disappointed.
We would solicit a generous share of the public patronage. Respectfully,
B. E. ALEXANDER,
J. S. NEELEY,
dec 24 1/2 T. B. CLARKSON, Jr.

CARPENTER AND BUILDER.
(Late of New York.)
Will furnish estimates for buildings of every kind. First class workmanship and good lumber, at ordinary prices. Black walnut doors at low figures. Alterations and repairs properly carried out.
Address
99 B. Street, Charlotte, N. C.
Jan 16 1/2

COCHRANE'S RESTAURANT.
European Plan.
I would inform the public that, on the 1st of November, I will open a RESTAURANT and BOARDING HOUSE, on Tryon street, in the second story of the Building adjoining the Bank of Mechanicsburg and hereafter will be prepared to entertain Boarders, regular and transient, in a style unsurpassed by any house in the city. The table will be supplied with all the delicacies of the season. Game, Fish, Oysters, &c.
Terms moderate. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. I respectfully solicit your patronage.
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