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BOOT AND SHOE BUSINESS. HAT AT COST TO CLOSE OUT. WADE & PEGRAM, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Burgess Nichols & Co., Wholesale & Retail. Furniture, Bedding, &c. No. 5, West Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.

GO TO PUREFOY'S FOR YOUR PRESENTS. SLATE ROOFING. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS OF ALL KINDS IN HIS LINE ARE NOW TO BE SEEN.

Watch-Night. Was observed last night at Tryon Street. The following railroad magistrates were in the city yesterday and last night: Col. J. H. Fisher, A. S. Buford, A. Pope, J. B. Peck, and Gen. H. H. Hays.

The Weather. According to an old song preserved in the Hessian manuscript in the British Museum: 'If Christmas on the Monday falls, That wintertide to be dreaded alle; Hyt shall be so full of gress tempestie That hyt shall be bothe man and bestie.'

Marrriages in December. The matrimonial market looked up very much last month. Fifty-nine couples joined hearts and hands, and the following are their names: Pink L. Powell, Virginia Roark. Thos. McConnell, Margaret S. J. Ray.

Newsletters. This weather casts a damper upon the spirits of the persevering scribe. He would not mind wading through the mud if anything could be picked up even then; but nothing is transpiring and news is absolutely non-existent.

The Opera House Last Night. As was to have been expected, the Opera House was filled last evening with the refinement of Charlotte; a more cultivated audience has never assembled there, and the success which Miss Katie Putnam and her company achieved, was such as must have been very gratifying to them.

The New Year. Now is ushered in the year of grace, 1876. The great wheel of Time has made another grand revolution, and we find ourselves at the threshold of another year.

An Ingenious Piece of Work. We saw yesterday, at the store of Withkowsky & Rintels, a beautiful and ingeniously contrived lady's work box, which was made by Mr. C. Benson, of this city.

Fashion Notes. A bodice, fastened at the throat with flowers, a jabot of lace, or show of lace, that pins on to the chest to which a jewel, or an elegant chemise or vest underneath, is a recent revival in Paris of an old style for dining wear.

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The Courts. Mayor's Court.—His Honor the Mayor had no cases on his docket, yesterday morning. Before Justice Davidson.—A white man named J. M. Rudge, charged with passing a \$10 counterfeit bill upon Ludwig & Fischesser, on Thursday evening.

Dividend Notice. FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28, 1875. The Board of Directors of this Bank have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five Per Cent, payable to Stockholders on or after the 1st of January, proximo.

Valuable Tobacco Farm FOR SALE! BY VIRTUE of the provisions of a deed in trust executed to me by the Bank of Mecklenburg Registered Book No. 6, pages 898, 899, in Register's Office of Gaston county, I shall expose to public sale, for cash, at the Court House in Dallas, on Thursday the 30th day of December 1875, the following valuable land to wit:

Public Sale. ON account of ill health, I have determined to close out my business in Charlotte, and if not sold privately before that time, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder, on Tuesday the 4th of January, 1876, all my household and kitchen furniture, consisting of seven beds, a good cooking stove and a large lot of table ware, suitable for an eating house—all new—as well as my bar furniture and a fine stock of Wines and Liquors.

COMMERCIAL DINING ROOMS WILL BE OPEN MONDAY. A FINE BAR AND BILLIARD PARLOR is connected with the establishment. All that with something nice to eat or drink, visit THE COMMERCIAL.

TO BUY BOOKS Offered at such low prices. This Stock is selling off rapidly.

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Dividend Notice. MERCHANTS' & FARMERS' NAT. BANK, Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 31, 1875. BY order of the Board of Directors of this Bank, a Dividend of Five Per Cent will be paid to Stockholders on or after the 1st day of January, proximo.

Dividend Notice. A semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent on the Capital Stock of this Bank, last day being declared payable to Stockholders on order, on and after January 3rd, 1876.

SPECIAL NOTICES. The rumor seems well founded that a number of prominent citizens of Baltimore have resolved to erect a monument to the memory of the late Dr. J. W. Bull, discoverer of that wonderful remedy, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

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DR. S. B. NYE, Oculist, Optician, NEW YORK. RESPECTFULLY announces to the citizens of Charlotte and vicinity, that he has taken rooms at the Central Hotel, where he may be consulted upon DISEASES OF THE EYE, and where he especially represents his AUSTRALIAN CRYSTAL SPECTACLES.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Charlotte, at the close of business Friday, the 17th day of December, 1875.

Table with columns: Assets, Liabilities. Total Assets: \$1,341,341.40. Total Liabilities: \$1,341,341.40.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Co. of Mecklenburg. I, M. P. PEGRAM, Cashier of the First National Bank of Charlotte, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Valuable House and Lot For Sale. I will sell at public auction, on Saturday January 1st, 1876, at 12 o'clock, at the Court House door, a valuable House and Lot on Church Street, now occupied by B. Koopmann.

REMOVAL. HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES. JUST give me a call on the East side of Trade.

Notice. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 29th, 1875. ON the 21st instant, a thief was taken in the act of robbing our Post Office Box, and confessed to having stolen a large number of letters, during the last few months.

Dividend Notice. FARMERS' SAVING BANK, Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28th, 1875. A semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent on the Capital Stock of this Bank, last day being declared payable to Stockholders on order, on and after January 3rd, 1876.