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THE OBSERVER JOB DEPARTMENT: Has been thoroughly supplied with every needed want, and with the latest styles of Type, and every manner of Job Printing can now be done with neatness, dispatch and cheapness.

Buy Goods.

SEE HERE! We are bringing the most elegant stock of goods this season ever offered by us.

Our Dress Department: Is replete with a tremendous stock for Ladies, Misses and children. In our DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

FLANNEL DEPARTMENT: We have a large stock, containing everything wanted in that line, including Canton Flannels of all grades.

BROCADED SILKS & DRESS: Is perfectly lovely.

Our Stock of Buttons: Well, that department shows for itself. Don't think of going anywhere else for Ladies', Gents' and Children's Buttons.

PANTS PATTERNS: Ever exhibited in this market. Everybody can be suited here in a FINE HAT.

Furniture: We have the largest, handsomest and best stocked Carpet Department in North Carolina.

BURGESS NICHOLS, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE.

FURNITURE: BEDDING, & C. A FULL LINE OF CHEAP BEDSTEADES AND LOUNGES.

PARLOR & CHAMBER SUITS. COFFINS of all kinds on hand.

Miscellaneous: J. T. ANTHONY, DEALER IN Northern Ice, Coal & Lumber.

Having just received my supply of Coal for the ensuing season, I am prepared to fill all orders at shortest notice.

I shall also continue the Double Business and keep full stock on hand, together with Lathes, Planes, &c.

1000 VERY SIMPLE DEEDS. MOST APPROVED FORM.

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE. By virtue of a deed of trust executed by J. M. Kendrick, on the 15th day of April, 1878, and registered in Book 14, page 207, Register's office of Mecklenburg county, I will sell at public auction, on the Court House door in Charlotte, on the 20th day of October, 1879, a lot fronting eight-five feet, with the buildings and extending back about 275 feet, with the buildings and improvements thereon, on the one side on J. W. Northern on the other.

5 AND 10 C. COUNTERS. TO THE TRADE: The live business men of the day are starting these counters. We are the original and best makers. We have the only two Exclusive-Sole and Life-Assigning Houses in the U. S. See our Catalogue and particulars.

FRESH NORTHERN LIME: 100 Barrels just received and on hand.

TO THE LADIES.

We ask your special attention to our handsome stock of plain, brocaded and striped SILKS, IN BLACKS AND ALL THE NEW COLORS.

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT: Our stock of plain, striped and fancy Satinets and Velvets for trimmings is the largest and handsomest we have ever offered in this market.

HOSIERY: A careful inspection, as we defy competition in this line in style, qualities and prices.

GLOAKS AND DALMONTS: and have everything that is new. Shetland Shawls in endless variety. A handsome stock of CLOAKING.

LADIES' HATS: and trimming for same.

HEADQUARTERS FOR Bottled Lager Beer, ALE AND PORTER.

LAGER BEER: HAPPY JOE FISCHESER, SOLE AGENT FOR THE ATLANTA BREWERY.

COYSTERS: On the half-shell or by the quart or gallon. Lovers of the luscious bivalves can be supplied by JOSEPH FISCHESER.

Hotels: STOP AT THE BOYDEN HOUSE, Salisbury, N. C.

HOUSE HOUSE: SAVANNAH, GA. Reduced rate—\$2.00 and \$2.50, according to location of Room.

Miscellaneous: RYE, GRAHAM AND WHEAT BREAD AT PRATHER'S.

CAKES! CAKES! Pound Sponge, Fruit, Jelly, and all kinds of Fancy Cakes at PRATHER'S.

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After the Banquet.

The revels are over—the orgy is past; All my lively companions have left me at last; And the half-dozen strokes of my ornate clock Are echoed by the strains of the shrill-crowning cove.

There were dainties of every conceivable shape; There was Bass—there was Alop—and the blood of the grape; There were spirits arranged by some cunning device; But the thoughts of the feast bring a gloom to my brow.

As I gaze on the wrecks that remain of it now; And a few bitter moments enter my breast; While I swiftly and sadly prepare me for bed.

Yet why should I mourn? That sunny champagne Was productive of Jones's most rollicking vein; And I never believed that young Simmons could pun.

Oh, Youth is the gaudiest, and Age is the gray— Will the follies of night bear the beams of the day? It is hard for butterfly poets to preach; But of forty the learned must enter my reach.

Observations: No one has thus far, in this age of innovations, made a bid for the apple of the eye.

WALKING MATCHES: Pulpit Comment on Their Brutalizing Effects.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Eggleston, pastor of the Church of Christian Endeavor, Brooklyn, New York, preached Sunday evening to a large audience in his church upon the "Use and Abuse of Athletic Exercises," a topic suggested by the recent walking match in New York, which attracted such widespread interest.

Their sports show the character of a people. In their Olympic games we see the superiority of the Greeks over the Romans. The latter, in their gladiatorial contests, showed the infernal depth of barbarism in which they were sunk.

The Greeks had no tremendous test of endurance for six days; but the money of money value after the first few contests, but gave the victor in a foot race a simple reward of myrtle. How different from the knightly tournaments of the middle ages or the bull-baiting and cock-fighting of our forefathers!

But brutality is not absent from our sports. We are not content, as the Greeks, to have contests in running or wrestling only, but must see men prove their endurance by walking. I have had that universal human interest in walking matches to know how the score stands. I see the race in place and tremendous endurance; and cannot help admiring it. The everlasting hold on which keeps men up to their work is to be admired wherever seen.

But when their calling out of all the forces of human nature, all their strength, all their energy and all their cunning, are put to the test, and they are seen to be so weak, so feeble, so puny, so easily overcome, it is such a scene as that in front of the New York Herald office of 400 or 500 persons watching the bulletin, and when it stated that "the race is being groggy and complaining severely of his knees, putting their hands deep in their pockets because it affects their there, is not a noble one. It is not a sport worthy of the gentlemen of England or the gentlemen of America. It is not noble to measure men by their legs. Tenacity of purpose belongs to brains as well as men; bull-dogs have their haughtiness, which does not give up. When one rejoices in Rowell's kick, or cast bricks at another contestant, it shows how degrading such a contest can become. I will say nothing about the waste of money and time by the spectators. If New York wishes to pay \$7500 in a week for the spectacle, I suppose it will. I would not suppress it by law. But it is worth while to notice how the police force, which is carried on in their presence, for aught I know they take part in it, if the truth were known. This tremendous excitement affects each one of us. It is a savagery coming to the surface. I am no Partisan, but I desire to stand against anything which dehumanizes and degrades, and the lessons of the past week may, I hope, be correctives to us all.

Thurman Says Ohio is Safe: Washington Dispatch to the New York Herald.

Senator Thurman, in a letter to a personal friend in Washington, says there is not the slightest doubt in his mind but what Gen. Ewing will be elected Governor of Ohio by a handsome majority and that the Legislature will be Democratic on joint ballot. He says his confidence is not based upon casual observation, but a precise knowledge of the work being done and the sentiments expressed in localities which were for a time justly regarded as doubtful to the Democracy.

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LETTER FROM COLUMBIA.

Light on the Penitentiary Scandal—The Mortality in the Penitentiary and on the Railroad—Gov. Hampton—An Obituary Notice.

To the Editor of the Observer: COLUMBIA, S. C., October 1st, 1879.—Carolians now point with pardonable pride to their penitentiary. Col. T. J. Lipscomb, of Newberry, took charge of the institution in the first of January last, with Dr. Geo. S. Trevaunt of this city, as surgeon, and Dr. Pope of Newberry, as resident physician, and to-day it ranks A1 as a sanitarium. In as many months there have been but nine deaths from all causes combined—three of that number being in articulo mortis when they were received—out of an average of three hundred and seventy-five inmates. If providentially the death rate should continue without larger increase to the close of the year, which there is every reason to hope, it will then just reach twelve, or less than one-tenth that during the last year of Chamberlain's appointment, immediately preceding. Mark the treatment and difference in the rate of mortality during a Republican and during a Democratic administration. Convicts are leased out and are at work building railroads in different parts of the State, and city and county reports having been kindly and cared for, with the exception only of the Greenwood and Augusta. The entire number leased in the last two years to this road was 285, of whom up to this date 130, or 45 per cent, have died. Of the 130 returned to the penitentiary a year ago, an account of bad health, 16 died within ten days after they reached the institution. Twenty-six have recently been ordered back, and of these only five are starting off, one on the road, and one since he reached the institution. Fifty-one are still at work on the road.

The appalling mortality of the convicts, both white and colored—of eight whites and eight colored, and one being in a precarious condition—is mainly attributable to ignorance of the laws of hygiene on the part of those in authority on the Greenwood and Augusta. Each man is allowed but 61 cubic feet of breathing atmosphere in the filthy sleeping barracks; some men lying on the ground, some on bare boards with a scanty covering and clothing, and salt pork and corn bread as their only food. Cahill is the name of the superintendent employed by the directors of the Greenwood and Augusta to oversee the convict labor. He is a native Irishman. The retention of such men in the penitentiary, in such a condition, was made conditional on the discharge of Cahill. He has not yet been discharged. The convicts sent up from Charleston are almost always received in a pitiable plight, and have to be kept in the hospital for a month before they are again in a working condition. The poor fellows are "powerful happy" to get where they may obtain medical treatment. Plenty of hard work, but also plenty of good substantial food, including milk, beef and vegetables, light and air, is the convict diet at the South Carolina Penitentiary.

Senator Hampton is expected home to-day. He has spent the summer at Dagsboro, N. C., and is expected to be in the city in a few days. He is expected to be in the city in a few days.

The open house last night was crowded, and the receipts of the concert, Miss Gray's singing, the benefit of the "benevolent society" for the relief of the sick poor, very handsome. The concert itself was a brilliant success, and Miss Elmore has the thanks of the community for devising this noble and ennobling entertainment. F.

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1879 FALL STYLES! 1879

AUTUMN FABRICS! DAILY ARRIVING!

And in a few days our stock will be complete in every department. We have made great preparations for the ensuing season, and we are determined to do the Clothing business for this community and the State at large.

Our Formal Opening: In our new premises will occur SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4th. With increased interest in the public's welfare for low prices.

GRAND OPENING DAY: OF FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING!

What! Never? No, Never: A larger stock, never a grander variety, never better styles, never finer workmanship displayed, and last but not least, never was Clothing offered at closer figures than we offer it this season, as this will be our banner season.

THE MAMMOTH CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOUTH: We call special attention to our OWN MANUFACTURED CLOTHING.

Every garment on our counter new in style and design of goods; every lining and button for each suit to match with the outside. Our MR. L. BERWANGER, a Practical Tailor by trade, has been in Northern markets for three weeks to select all our goods, and we are confident of satisfying the wants of the people in every regard.

HATS AND GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS: In full lines. Call and examine our stock.

L. BERWANGER & BRO.: N. B.—Goods sent per Express, to be examined before payment of bill.

Now that Our Grand Opening is Over: We tender our thanks to the public, and the Ladies especially, for their appreciation of our effort to present for inspection to the people of this city and surrounding country a Stock of Goods never before equaled in Charlotte, and to quote the expression of every one of our visitors to the Grand Opening.

WE have the Largest, most Superb and Cheapest Stock of Dry Goods, Fancy Goods, Notions, Hosiery and Gloves, MILLINERY, LACE GOODS AND TIES, Now in the City of Charlotte.

We are now ready to receive the trade, and promise our determination Not to be Excelled in Quantity, Quality and Price. Save your money and buy your goods from WITKOWSKY & BARUCH

CHARLOTTE, SEPTEMBER, 1879. WE DESIRE TO CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION TO OUR LARGE AND VARIED ASSORTMENT OF FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING

Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, &c., &c., Selected with great care. Our shelves and counters will be found replete with all the Novelties of the latest and most attractive designs.

AND ALL THE LATEST STYLES ARE FULLY REPRESENTED. In our Store will be found Goods that, notwithstanding the advance in the raw material, we are able to offer at the old prices, and in some instances lower than ever before.

W. KAUFMAN & CO. Corner of Trade and Tryon Streets. P. S.—We are selling off our entire stock of Boots and Shoes at and below cost.

P. SCHIFF, J. SCHIFF, THOS. GRIER. SCHIFF & GRIER, GROCERS.

FANCY AND HEAVY GROCERIES, among which may be found Pearl Tapioca, Sago, Tapioca, Gum Meal, Split Peas, Chickpeas, Flamingo Beans, Boston Beans, Green Beans, Chickpeas, Golden Butter, a Full line of Canned Goods, viz: Yagoules, Fruit, Apples, Salmon, Lobsters, Oysters, Condensed Milk, &c., all of which are fresh and choice. Foreign and Domestic Pickles, in jars and glass bottles. One line of Teas and Coffees cannot be exceeded in the city. We call special attention to our Patent Process Flour, a few barrels of which we will sell at very LOW PRICES IN ORDER TO INTRODUCE IT. To the Wholesale Trade we offer a large and well selected stock of goods in our line as low as can be bought in any market. City and country consumers will find it to their interest to call on us before purchasing elsewhere.

N. B.—We have a splendid Wagon Yard in the rear of our store for the use of our country friends. SCHIFF & GRIER, Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.

Having become interested in the firm of SCHIFF & GRIER, I respectfully and cordially invite my old friends and customers to call and see me when they want goods in my line. October 2d, 1879.