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The following described pieces of property are now offered for sale by the Charlotte Real Estate Agency, R. E. Cochrane, manager, office Trade Street from Central Hotel, Charlotte, N. C.

(CITY.) One dwelling house on B street, 7 rooms, closets in each room, well of good water, lot 92x120 feet, well of water in yard; lot 92x120 feet. Price \$2,000.

One dwelling on 8th street, adjoining residence of M. Howell, 4 rooms, well of good water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on South Tryon street, adjoining residence of Dr. Branton, 8 rooms, closets and bath, well of water, well located for a boarding house. Price \$3,000.

One dwelling on corner of Graham and 10th streets, 2 rooms, kitchen, bath room and closets, well of water, 2 1/2 lots, 1 fronting 150 feet, well of good water and stable on the latter. Price \$2,250.

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One dwelling on 9th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 10th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 11th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 12th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 13th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 14th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 15th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 16th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 17th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 18th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 19th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 20th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 21st street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 22nd street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 23rd street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 24th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 25th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 26th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 27th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 28th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 29th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 30th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 31st street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 32nd street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 33rd street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 34th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 35th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 36th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

One dwelling on 37th street, 2 rooms, kitchen, well of water, lot 50x125 feet, convenient to business. Price \$1,750.

RUBBERS FOR EVERYBODY.

Big stock Ladies', Misses', and Children's Rubber Overshoes,

Arctic and Self-Adjustable Wool-Lined Ladies' and Gents' Rubbers.

Ladies' and Misses' Gossamers.

REMNANTS OF LACE CURTAINS from 2 to 8 yards on our bargain counter and at bargain prices.

Gents' and Boys' Rubber Coats,

FLANNES, ETC.

Ladies', Gents' and Children's Underwear, very cheap.

HARGRAVES & ALEXANDER.

SMITH BUILDING.

HOSEERY SALE!

I HAVE PLACED ON MY THIS FALL Consisting of the Latest Styles

Silk, Stiff and Soft Hats, Children's Ribbed Hoseery,

WHITE GOODS, Embroideries, Yokings, Tuckings, Etc., Etc.

Table Linens.

The most popular brands of Bleached Domestic at bottom prices.

New Bargains!!!

We are now offering some attractive bargains in Bleached and Unbleached TABLE LINENS. Don't fail to come and examine them. We can also give you a very handsome line

PLAID NAINSOOKS,

As a stock and dairy farm it offers fine opportunities to those who wish to engage in such business. It has over three to four hundred acres of level or only slightly rolling land, which produces wheat, grain and all kinds of raising products, and it is well supplied with water by unfailing springs and brooks.

JERSEY JACKET

Two that you will like. Don't forget that this is Headquarters for Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hoseery, Rubbers, and all other articles. It is a reason for coming to Atlanta, except Mt. Airy, in Georgia, and they have reason to believe this mountain is full of iron also. In addition to iron ore the property has manganese, limestone clay for making fire-proof brick, gold and other minerals. Very rare and excellent barite has just been found in large quantities.

ALEXANDER & HARRIS

REGARDLESS OF COST

We Are Selling Clothing TO-DAY.

W. KAUFMAN & CO

Now offer their entire stock of WINTER CLOTHING AT SUCH LOW PRICES

That it will astonish everybody. We mean to sell out our stock and don't intend to carry any over and to do this will make prices to suit everybody. Men of limited means can buy at our house a good suit for \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$10.00. These suits we sold at least 33 1/3 per cent higher before the Holidays, but we mean to sell, and therefore put the knife into prices. Finer grades of Suits which we sold at \$15, \$18, \$20 and \$25, we now sell at \$12, \$12.50, \$15 and \$18. A large line of

Youths', Boys' and Children's Suits

Which we will close out for less than cost of production. Men's Underwear at greatly reduced prices. We will only maintain these prices for a short time, as we are bound to make room for our Spring Stock, which will shortly arrive. Nobody should miss this opportunity. Call at once.

W. KAUFMAN & CO, LEADING CLOTHIERS.

CENTRAL HOTEL CORNER.

The Charlotte Observer.

FARMING INTERESTS.

It is a conceded fact that the farming interests of North Carolina are in a depressed condition and the question has been asked cannot the legislature do something to advance these interests. Various suggestions have been made, among the latest one favoring bounties or premiums by the State to farmers raising the greatest quantity of a designated product upon a given tract of ground. While this might stimulate a few farmers of means to greater efforts to increase the crop on the given number of acres the number engaging in the competition would be so small that the object aimed at would be a failure.

The passage of a stringent dog law, in the encouragement it would give to sheep husbandry, one of the most profitable occupations the farmer can engage in if intelligently and systematically pursued, would do much for the North Carolina farmer.

There are causes, some well known and others perhaps not so well known why our agricultural interests are depressed. Low prices consequent upon insufficiency of demand for the products of the farm is one, unremunerative compensation in consequence of working too much land with bad methods is another. For the first of these the farmer is not responsible as he cannot help it, for the second he is, because he can. The remedy for the first is in the increase of manufactures which increase the number of consumers to be fed by the farms.

Generally in the neighborhood of cities and manufacturing points the farmer gets a pretty fair price for such articles as he has to sell while remote from these he has to take what he can get. Every factory established in the State adds that much to those who do not produce from the farm, but who must be fed from it and whose wages go in great part to buy from the farmer.

Herein lies the close connection between the farm and the manufactory, and their mutual dependence, and the mutual aid they give each other. If there were ten times the number of manufactories in North Carolina, that there are, employing ten times the number of operatives the farmers of the State would be immensely the gainers by it, so that one of the ways at least to help the farmer is to encourage the industries which will make a home demand for the products of the farm. Everything the legislature do to encourage the establishment and growth of manufacturing industries it should do and everything that any city or town or county, where there are no cities or towns of importance, can do for the same purpose they should do. While the State is mainly devoted to agriculture, while the producers so largely outnumber the consumers, high, or even fair prices cannot as a rule prevail, and the farmer must suffer. To give him prosperity he must have a home demand, and a home market upon which he can depend.

The Augusta Chronicle thinks it would be well for Georgia and other States to prohibit selling cigarettes to children, as is proposed by the bill before the North Carolina Legislature.

Mr. Cleveland denies the published report that he has tendered the Secretaryship of State to Mr. Bayard, and adds that thus far he has made no tender of a cabinet position to any one.

In addition to the Mahdi's forces the English in the Sudan will have an enemy to cope with even more formidable, the climate which, as the warm season approaches, is a bad one for the European.

John Bright says England has spent in Queen Victoria's reign in war \$750,000,000 and had 68,000 killed, and the question may be asked, what has she gained by it?

The City of Mexico comes forward with a woman who gave birth to seven children all in one day. The children died but the mother survived.

A young lady in New York took to eating arsenic to whiten her complexion. She succeeded in doing so and at the end of twelve months made a very fair corpse.

According to a New York Judge, playing base ball in that State on Sunday is not a violation of law if conducted without too much racket.

Boys in England are now having lots of fun putting ugly looking boxes filled with sawdust, with fuses attached, in the way of policemen.

About 2,000 anarchists, mostly natives of other countries, reside in Switzerland.

It may seem strange but nevertheless it is true that a man's enemy is sometimes his best friend.

Becky Jones Reicants. Miss Becky Jones, the obdurate witness in the Hamersley will case, has become tired of jail life, and a few days ago sent word to the Surrogate of New York that she was ready to answer questions. The order was given for her appearance in court on Wednesday, but when the deputy sheriff got to the jail Becky had changed her mind because the weather was too cold. She observed that the frost on the window pane was very thick and she said she had to clothing except what she had when she went to jail in May last. She therefore concluded to postpone her visit to the court. The case was adjourned to March 4. Becky has registered the weeks of her imprisonment by pasting a cotton spool label on the window frame for each week.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings in the Senate and House. Raleigh News and Observer. RALEIGH, Feb. 14.—Among the bills introduced in the Senate were the following: To incorporate the town of Mill Spring, Polk county.

To amend the code relative to coroners and registers of deeds. To incorporate the Wilson Mutual Benefit Loan Association.

To amend an act incorporating the town of Saluda. To change the government of the public schools.

To amend the law concerning the sale of mortgaged property. To repeal section 2814, of the Code.

To amend chapter 382, laws of 1883. To establish the county of Ransom. To correct the charter of Laurinburg.

A resolution concerning counties delinquent in the payment of taxes, was adopted by the Senate.

Bill transferring Clemmonsville township from Davidson to Forsyth county was made special order for noon Thursday.

The following bills passed second reading: To give Richmond county the stock law.

To give Halifax and Warren counties the stock law. To recharter the town of Kinston.

To authorize the commissioners of Martin county to borrow money, issue bonds and levy a special tax, for the purpose of building a court house and jail.

To amend the Code relative to special tax collectors. To allow Chowan county to levy a special tax for 1887-88.

The following bills passed third reading: To authorize Sampson county to levy a special tax.

To ratify the will of John Strother, deceased. To incorporate the Oxford & Henderson Railroad.

To require juries to allow juries to take with them when they retire written instructions. To amend chapter 308, laws of 1883.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Chabourn, Leak, Boykin, Hill, Thomas and Kennedy. Resolution giving the Governor the \$300 in lieu of rent for "old mansion" until the new mansions shall have been completed, passed its final reading.

The bill to make the seduction of women under promise of marriage criminal was amended so that marriage shall be a bar to prosecution. Messrs. Bayard, Connor, Cooper, Gudgeon, Means, Robbins and Tate discussed the bill, favoring its passage. Mr. Tate said that as a member of the judiciary committee he knew that the bill had been very carefully considered, and that it had in all its features been properly guarded. He therefore hoped the bill would pass without amendment, and if it would protect the virtuous females of North Carolina and punish those who by means of deception and imposition venture to thus ruin female-virtue in our midst.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Feb. 14.—HOUSE.—Among the bills introduced were the following: To incorporate the town of McFarland, Anson county.

To change the county seat of Brunswick county. To allow Hertford county to levy a special tax to build a jail.

The following bills passed their second reading: To require live stock from running at large in the county of Vance (after strong opposition by Mr. Ward of Vance).

To authorize Bertie county to fund its debt. The committee made an unfavorable report on the bill relating to the sale of the States stock in the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad.

The following bills passed their final reading: To incorporate the town of Kittrell, Vance county. To allow the town of Hickory to levy a special tax.

To incorporate the town of Mt. Airy. To prepare for the payment of the debt of Stokes county. To amend chapter 362, acts 1883.

To amend section 2821, of the code. To incorporate the town of Lewisville, Johnston county.

To amend section 695, of the Code. To amend sections 1797 and 1798, of the Code, so as to foster the improvement of lands in Wake county, for relief of certain citizens of Sampson county.

In relation to killing live stock in Tyrrell and Craven counties. To amend chapter 98, laws 1879, extending time for funding State bonds.

To allow passage of fish up New river Ashe county. A resolution instructing our members of Congress in regard to the surplus in the United States treasury, a king its appropriation for educational purposes, passed its final reading.

The bill to prevent live stock from running at large in Edgecombe county came up on its second reading. An amendment postponing the date when the bill takes effect until November, which was adopted on the second reading, was stricken out and the bill passed its final reading.

The bill to allow the Raleigh & Augusta Air Line Railroad to extend its line came up. Mr. Womack explained the bill, and on suggestions moved to postpone its consideration until Wednesday and make it a special order.

Mr. Tate moved that the bill be committed to the judiciary committee for the purpose of investigating the question of taxation, if any, that may be involved. The bill was so referred, with a request that the committee make report before Wednesday.

Bill to amend section 3235 of the Code, in relation to the justice of the peace.

THE INSURANCE QUESTION.

Views on the Bill Now Pending Before the Legislature.

Correspondence of the Observer. There is now pending before the Legislature a question of great importance to the people of the State, especially to the mercantile and commercial interests; that is, whether shall the present law known as the insurance law be repealed, which law, while it pretends to protect the people, really fosters the greatest monopoly known, and turns the people bond hand and foot over to the tender mercies of a soulless monopoly.

When a repeal of a law is proposed, the first thing to examine is the origin of the law which it is proposed to repeal, the circumstances under which it was enacted, and the promoters or instigators of the law. All laws should be in the interest of and at the suggestion of the people, the Democratic doctrine being "the least governed the best governed." Now no one will pretend that the people sought, instigated or promoted the passage of the present insurance law.

There were no petitions sent up by the people to pass it. There were no complaints by the people of insolvent insurance companies doing business within the State. There was no request in any way by the people to the Legislature to appoint either the Secretary of State or the Treasurer as their guardians.

Who, then, were the instigators or promoters of this legislation which it is claimed is so much for the interest and protection of the dear people? The answer is the insurance companies themselves. They so generously came forward and had these restrictions and these burdens placed on themselves for their love and interest in the people. It is not charged that all insurance companies did this, for a good number of insurance companies had nothing to do with the legislation, and on its being enacted withdrew from the State. The people thus being deprived of competition, were left to the tender mercies of what is known as the South Eastern Tariff Association, the promoters of this legislation, and the parties who are active, through their agents and attorneys, to prevent the repeal.

These are the wolves in sheep's clothing who propose by legislation to protect the lambs. They, through their agents and attorneys, approach the legislator and urge him to protect the people. "Walk into my parlor, said the spider to the fly." This is much as the promoters of this legislation. Now, who asks that the legislator and asks no more of the wolves' protection? The people all over the State, the merchants, the commercial cities, business men, all who insure property. Bond, Bond, County, County, Gudgeon, Means, Robbins and Tate discussed the bill, favoring its passage. Mr. Tate said that as a member of the judiciary committee he knew that the bill had been very carefully considered, and that it had in all its features been properly guarded. He therefore hoped the bill would pass without amendment, and if it would protect the virtuous females of North Carolina and punish those who by means of deception and imposition venture to thus ruin female-virtue in our midst.

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