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Fifteen handsome Newmarkets and Russian Circulats at less than cost to close, five Seal Plush Sacques at a sacrifice, two Combination Newmarkets at less than New York cost.

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### The Charlotte Observer.

"TRUTH, LIKE THE SUN, SOMETIMES SUBMITS TO BE OBSCURED, BUT, LIKE THE SUN, ONLY FOR A TIME."

### CHICAGO'S ELECTRIC BLAZE.

The Highest and Most Powerful Group of Lights in the World.

A Chicago special says: The highest and most powerful group of electric lights in the world is tonight blazing around the tower of the Board of Trade building, at the foot of La Salle street, a little over 300 feet above the ground. While the building was in process of construction the idea of crowning its highest point with a ring of lights was suggested by Elmer A. Sperry, a Cornell University man, twenty-five years old, who came here from Cortlandt, N. Y., three years ago, and formed an electric-light motor and car-brake company. Various circumstances prevented the execution of this scheme until the present time. Mr. Sperry's company puts up the lights, the Board of Trade furnishes the power, and the other expenses are paid by subscriptions from owners of surrounding property, including the Federal Government and several railroad companies. There are 20 of the lights, and they are fastened to a string of four-inch gas pipe 29 feet in diameter. The ring hangs on steel wires three-quarters of an inch in diameter, running over sheaves placed at the extremities of four arms projecting from the tower near the top. By the ropes, which are attached to drums in the clock-room, the lights are lowered, when necessary, to a balcony surrounding the tower at the dial, 68 feet below. The lights are of 2,000-candle power each, and are connected with a 20-light dynamo of 29 amperes in the basement. The carbons will burn fifteen hours if necessary. The lights are to burn every night in the year. To-night the glowing crown is visible from every part of the city and for miles away. It is reported that it can be seen at Michigan City, sixty miles distant across the lake. It is thought that the light can be seen from a point in the lake off Milwaukee. The railroad yards of the city are greatly benefited by the light.

### Senators and Alcohol.

Cleveland Leader.  
The Senate adopted a rule yesterday that no intoxicating liquor shall be hereafter sold on the Senate side of the Capitol, and a lively discussion took place when the subject was up before the Senate. Several of the jippers of the body insinuated their abhorrence of liquor in pecksniffian speeches. One or two avowed themselves teetotalers, and one who is known to always keep a supply of old Bourbon in his committee room, announced himself the supporter of Riddleberger's amendment that no liquor should be permitted in committee rooms. The discussion however, announces to the people how discreditable and disgraceful has become the use of whiskey and wine about the halls of Congress.

Many a man is ruined by coming to Congress, and the instance of Belford, of Colorado, is the most notable of today. When Belford was elected he had the brightest prospects before him of any man in public life. He had a memory which could retain Webster's dictionary, a wit which could keep Congress in roars of laughter, a command of generalized knowledge which left him never at a loss from ignorance of any subject that came before the House, and an intellect quick to understand and take advantage of the moment. He came here a sober man and had just begun his bright career when, in addition to tackling liquor in Congress, he commenced a fight with liquor. Liquor beat him in the end, and during the last session his amusing antics under its influence on the floor of the House became almost painful. He has now reformed through the influence of his wife, I understand, and Colorado men tell me that he is building up a big practice in the courts of that State.

Returning to the Senate it is interesting to look at the various beverages. Frye, Blair, Teller and Joe Brown are among the teetotalers, and Brown is one of the first temperance men in Georgia. Hoar drinks milk. Vest, true Missourian that he is, can stand anything, and Edmunds likes good whiskey and old brandy. Ex-Senator Pendleton was very fond of champagne, and his committee room often contained a choice article of alcoholic stimulant. Beck and Blackburn like old Bourbon, but they never get too much of it, and of the numerous Senators who take just a little for their stomach's sake, I have seen few of them affected by their drinking.

### Mr. Jordan Takes Charge.

New York, Jan. 2.—Turner Jordan, of the United States Treasury at Washington, took charge of the Sub-treasury in this city today. Mr. Acton, whose term of office expired December 31, was on hand this morning also. It is his intention to remain at his office until the accountants have declared everything about the Sub-treasury all right. There was considerable delay in opening the vaults, and for this reason business was at a standstill for an hour or two.

The popular idea has been that the world contains seven wonders, but the eighth made his appearance at the Capitol. It was a poor benighted man limping with rheumatism who had never heard of Salvation Oil. It is sold by all druggists at twenty-five cents a bottle.

### STATE NEWS.

Statesville Landmark: We referred last week to the recent robbery of J. F. Dotson, Esq., of this county. It occurred Tuesday night of last week. He had been to a debate in the neighborhood, and returning had locked both doors of his bed-room, put a large purse containing the money and papers under the head of the bed, along with his revolver, and retired. When he awoke in the morning the purse and all of its contents were gone. There were in the purse \$600 of his own money, \$1,600 of the money of the estate of Portland Gay, deceased, of which he was administrator, and all of the vouchers and all other papers pertaining to the estate. One of the doors had been entered by means of a false key during the night. There is no clue which is likely to lead to the arrest of the burglar or the recovery of the money.

Wilmington Review: We regret to learn of a severe and painful injury sustained a few days since by Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, the pastor of the First Presbyterian church in this city. He was engaged in splitting some kindling wood with a hatchet, when a small piece of the wood rebounded and struck him in the right eye, inflicting a very painful wound, and one which may result in the loss of the sight of that eye. The sight is not yet entirely gone, but some serious fears as to the result are entertained. Mr. Hoge has gone to Baltimore to consult a noted specialist and for treatment at his hands.

Rockingham Spirit: We learn that on Christmas eve, in Laurel Hill township, in this county, a white man by the name of Wall Wright, struck a negro man, whose name we failed to learn, on the head with the blade of an axe, laying open the skull and exposing the brain. The negro was yet alive last Sunday, but there was no hope of his recovery.

Newton Enterprise: Burke county will vote the second Tuesday in January on the question of subscribing \$50,000 to the Carolina Central Railroad, to be used in building a branch road from Shelby via Morganton to Cranberry.

Wilmington Star: There are three vessels in port with cargoes of railroad iron for the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company, to be used on the line under construction from Wilson to Fayetteville, known as the "Short Cut." The track for this road has been graded from Condemna Creek to Smithfield, in Johnston county, and the work of laying the iron will soon begin at the former place. There will be an iron bridge across the Cape Fear and an iron bridge across Neuse river. At the Fayetteville end of the road iron has already been laid to the Cape Fear river, about two miles above the town, and the bridge is under construction.

Raleigh News and Observer: The receipts for the week ending yesterday were 126 bales, against 124 for the same week last season. The total receipts from September 1st to date are 20,910 bales, against 27,093 to the same date last season. The stock on the platform is 1,018 bales, and in store 1,350. The shipments the past week were 933 bales. Yesterday the market became firmer and closed at an advance.

### Percentage.

New York Journal of Commerce.  
The reckoning of percentages, like the minus sign in algebra, is a constant stumbling block to the novice. Even experienced newspaper writers often become muddled when they attempt to speak of it. The ascending scale is easy enough. Five added to 20 is a gain of 25 per cent; given any sum of figures, the doubling of it is an addition of 100 per cent. But the moment the change is a decreasing calculation the inexperienced mathematician betrays himself, and even the expert is apt to stumble or go astray. An advance from 20 to 25 is an increase of 25 per cent; but the reverse of this, that is, a decline from 25 to 20, is a decrease of only 20 per cent. There are many persons, otherwise intelligent, who cannot see why the reduction of 100 to 50 is not a decrease of 100 per cent, if an advance from 50 to 100 is an increase of 100 per cent. The other day an article of merchandise which had been purchased at 10 cents a pound was resold at 30 cents a pound, a profit of 200 per cent, whereupon a writer in chronicling the depression, several invoices of the same class of goods which had cost over 30 cents per pound had been finally sold at 10 per pound, a loss of over 200 per cent, because this wipes out the whole investment. An advance of from 10 to 30 is a gain of 200 per cent; but a decline from 30 to 10 is a loss of only 66 2/3 per cent.

### A Good Sign for the Negroes.

From the Albany, Ga., News.  
A good many negroes are buying lands in this country this winter. We have heard of several places being sold to negroes recently, the purchasers agreeing to pay a certain number of bales of cotton, delivered in Albany, within a given number of years.

### Daughters, Wives and Mothers.

We emphatically guarantee Dr. March's Cathartic, a Female Remedy, to cure female diseases, such as ovarian troubles, inflammation and ulceration, falling and displacing of the uterus, feeling, irregularities, barrenness, change of life, leucorrhoea, besides many weaknesses springing from the above, like headache, dizziness, spinal weakness, sleeplessness, nervous debility, palpitation of the heart, &c. For sale by druggists. Price 50c and \$1.50 per bottle. Send to Dr. J. B. March, 419th St., N. Y., for samples, free.  
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BLACK GR. GR. SILKS AT	42c. per yd.	FORMERLY	75c. per yard.
" " " " " "	58c. " " "	" " "	85c. " "
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ALL WOOL BLACK CASHMERES

36 in. Wide at 36 cents per yard.

ALL WOOL COLORED CASHMERES

36 in. wide at 45c. per yard in 9 Shades.

ALL WOOL BLACK SHOODAH CLOTH

38 in. wide at 45c. per yard.

SILK WARP HENRIETTA CLOTH

38 in. wide at 70c. per yard.

BLACK PARAMETTA CLOTH.

42 in. inches wide at 63c. per yard.

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15c. per yard.

DRESS GOODS

Worth 25c. and 30c. pr per yard.

Biggest drive in Misses Solid Colored Hose.

5	5 1/2	6	6 1/2	7	7 1/2	8	8 1/2
15c.	18c.	18c.	18c.	20c.	20c.	25c.	25c.

Best value yet in Ladies Solid colored Hose, 95 cents a box containing 6 pairs Regular solid colored Hose. Regular made solid colored \$1.50 a box containing 6 pairs.

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A Linen Crasher, at 8c, 9c., 10c, and 12 1/2c, per yard.

BLEACHED TABLE DAMASKS AT 40 CENTS FORMERLY 60 CENTS.

" " " " " " 65 " " " 90 " "

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COLORED TABLE " " 50 " " " 75 " "

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Stock of CANDY ever shown in this city. We intend to devote these two days especially to supplying the wants of our

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ALSO, the finest cakes, fruits, nuts, cocoanuts, &c., &c.

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Several very desirable rooms in the New Carson building, also the handsome store room occupied now by Talbot & Sons on Fourth street. Possession given January 1st. CARSON BROS. Dec. 20.

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