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PUBLISHERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1904.

THE PRESIDENT AND RAILROAD RATES.

The reference to railroad rates in the President's message to Congress has attracted more serious attention than anything else contained therein. "We must strive," he said, "to keep the highways of commerce open to all on equal terms, and to do this it is necessary to put a complete stop to all rebates."

PESSIMISM HAS NO PLACE HERE.

The Norfolk Landmark, approving the recent Charleston speech of Col. George Harvey, editor of Harper's Weekly, in which he advised the South to take charge of the national Democratic party, says:

Good Farming.

Some time ago we mentioned the fact that some of our Catawba county land owners had realized as much as 10 per cent. interest on land rented to cotton farmers this year, if the land were valued at \$100 an acre.

GREAT DEVELOPMENT IN STORE.

In a recent issue of The Manufacturers Record Mr. F. L. Stephenson, of Pittsburgh, Pa., who has a large investment in this State, expresses the conviction that a period of great industrial activity is ahead of the South, saying, among other things:

PERSONALS.

The Movements of a Number of People, Visitors and Others. Mr. George D. Boyd, Southern representative of the American Supply Company, of Providence, R. I., is in the city.

FOUND HIS COWS.

"Speakin' of winds," said a romancer at Canadian, in the Panhandle, "I had a remarkable experience the year I took a claim in Beaver county, Oklahoma. The first summer it was powerful windy and dry. I had two cows that I took down there with me, and harried 'em out on the prairie near in dugout so that they would be handy at milkin' time. Well, one day in July there come up a wind and when I went out to look for my cows, blamed if they were anywhere in sight. Then I happened to look up and them two cows was foun' 'round in the air. The wind had blowed 'em out and up to the ends of the 200 foot picket ropes and there they was like anchored kites. The wind kept on blowin' till evenin' and held the two cows steady in the air about eighty feet from the ground for six hours."

A CHANCE FOR A SAFE INVESTMENT.

A limited number of shares for sale in Molee Knitting Mill. Mill to begin operation January 1. Situated on one of the finest water powers in Richmond County.

NOTICE.

Meeting of the Stockholders of the First National Bank, Charlotte, N. C. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Charlotte will be held on the second Tuesday in January, 1905, (January 10th), in its banking hours, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors and also for the purpose of amending the articles of association.

WALL PAPERS AND DECORATIVE WORK—ARTISTIC FRESCOING.

All kinds of Painting and Finishing. "Period" decoration a specialty. Wall Paper from 5 cents to \$50.00 per roll. Estimates and designs furnished out-of-town customers on application.

FOR SALE.

Ten-room Furnished House, with cellar, situated on car line, Boulevard and Lindhurst avenue, Dilworth. Comfortably planned, handsomely finished. Water, gas and electric light. Heated by hot water.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

The Observer will send A. E. C. Messenger, without charge, to your place of business or residence for advertisements for this column.

WANTED—Board by young man.

WANTED—Responsible man to manage an office and distributing depot for large manufacturing concern. Salary \$1,500 per annum and commissions. Applicant must have good references and fluency in English. Address, Supt. 323 West Twelfth St., Chicago.

FOR SALE CHEAP—One Pope Tribune automobile.

FOR SALE—The entire plant and office fixtures formerly owned by the Junior Clothing Mfg. Co., adapted for the manufacture of pants, clothing, shirts, etc. G. G. Scott, Receiver, Charlotte, N. C.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED—A competent stenographer wanted at once, for temporary employment with prospect of steady work. No adapted for the manufacture of pants, clothing, shirts, etc. G. G. Scott, Receiver, Charlotte, N. C.

SPECIAL SALE Ladies' Cloaks at Ivey's.

NEWEST, best style ladies' cloaks at Ivey's at best reduction regular price.

DR. WAKEFIELD will return from Washington Monday night, Dec. 12th.

OUR BOYS are going night and day. Always ready. American District.

WE DELIVER your Christmas packages.

WANTED—Five h. p. gasoline or kerosene engine. Must be in good repair. Wood, Mendham Hill, Greensboro, N. C.

GOOD COTTON MACHINERY at a bargain.

IF YOU are in Dilworth, Piedmont Park or anywhere and want a messenger the American District is prepared to serve you. Telephone 45.

ALL HOUSEKEEPERS who haven't time to bake their Christmas cakes are reminded of the sale of every imaginable kind at Stiefel's, Friday, the 23rd.

LARGE ASSORTMENT OF COUCHES at lowest prices.

THE AMERICAN DISTRICT Messengers are at your service. Rates reasonable. Phone 45.

WANTED—A few boarders.

A PORTION of a warehouse for rent cheap. Apply Observer office.

FOR RENT—Fred Oliver residence, 408 S. Tryon street.

WANTED—For U. S. Army, able-bodied, unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35, citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply to Recruiting Officer, 15 West Trade St., Charlotte, N. C.; Southern Loan and Trust Building, Greensboro, N. C.; Postoffice Building, Winston-Salem, N. C.; or Cleveland Building, Asheville, N. C., or Cleveland Building, Spartanburg, S. C.

FOR RENT—Two rooms in Wilkinson Building.

FOR RENT—Furnished first floor flat. Reception hall, five rooms and bath. Possession at once. Apply Mrs. Jas. A. Dorritte, Dilworth.

FOR RENT—The lower floor of the Miller Building.

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"SOUTHERN STATES" PORTLAND CEMENT.

B. F. WITHERS, State Agents, Charlotte, North Carolina.

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CHRISTMAS

Now in Sight and the Greatest Holiday Shopping Ever Known Here in

The Christmas shopping time has now been reduced from weeks to days—only 11 more shopping days and these will be the shortest days to the many having to provide gifts for all ages. So be up and doing, keep on the alert. Don't wait until next week to buy Christmas goods. Make your selections to-day and certainly not later than the last of the week. Stocks will dwindle down towards the last to an uninteresting point should buying continue as briskly as it has the last few days.

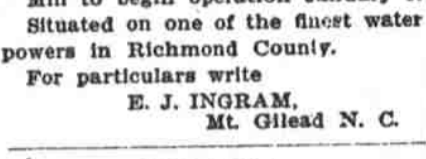
Varieties of Xmas Goods Incomparable.

Varieties of givables were never so profuse in the city before as they are here this holiday time, so say all who have seen this mammoth gathering of Santa's supplies

The Jewelry Department

Is thronged from morning till night with eager, anxious buyers wishing to provide jewelry gifts at a saving in price. Certainly there are very few disappointed shoppers for there is nearly everything here that is usually carried in the best regulated Jewelry Stores. It is a stock far better chosen than it has been our pleasure to show here at any former holiday season.

The prettiest Dolls on Earth



LADIES' FURNISHINGS.

Just received new Pin Cushions, in Red, Yellow, Pink and Blue at 25 and 39c.

SILKS.

22-inch Chiffon Lansdowne pastelle colors; waist patterns only. Price, the yard, \$1.50.

CHINA DEPARTMENT.

Fancy Parlor Lamps, from 50c. to \$6.00.

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THE SOUTHERN COTTON OIL COMPANY

Belmont Hotel

Several Elegantly Furnished Rooms to rent with or without Baths. Apply to

Mrs. H. C. Eccles.

Tivoli's Hofbrau Beer

THIS MONTH It will keep off the blues when only water is plentiful.

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