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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1904.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD STUFF AND THINGS.

The pure-food bill, which has been before Congress for several years, has been under discussion in the Senate intermittently for several days past. It is in charge of Mr. McCumber, of North Dakota, and it is noted that in the course of remarks which he submitted on it last Monday he said that "it has been estimated, and properly estimated, that the value of adulterated and misbranded goods in the United States sold each year is about $2,000,000." The bill relates to drugs as well as articles of food, and Mr. McCumber said that the adulteration of both "is simply appalling." In further remarks Tuesday he read from the report of the pure-food commissioner of his own State, telling of the discovery in articles of food—principally canned goods—offered for sale in North Dakota, of borax, boracic acid, sodium sulphite, copper salts, alumnium salts salicylic acid and coal tar dye.

There is no doubt about the fact that the adulteration of food has reached an alarming length, and Mr. McCumber made the excellent point that the States cannot protect the people in this matter but that this must be done if done at all by the national government. Many of these adulterations are, in a high degree, injurious to health, and the consumers, innocent purchasers, who do not know what deadly things they are buying, are entitled to all the protection the law can throw around them. It is not the retailers, nor yet the wholesale dealers, who are at fault, but the manufacturers, the canners, the packers, etc.

But why is there not in this bill some provision of protection for the consumers of liquor? It is not to be believed that any article that is put upon the market in this country is so generally or so dangerously adulterated as whiskey. It is deadly when at its best. It is the greatest scourge of the human race. Talk about morphine, cocaine, choral, paraldehyde, what not! —where one person has any one of these addictions, one hundred are liquor habitues; and while the results from the use of these drugs are said by some physicians to be worse than from that of whiskey, there are thousands of liquor-drinkers who do not believe it. The quality of liquor under consideration at this moment is the pure, if there is any. If this much can be said in truth of that which is pure, and it can, what remains to be said of the vile stuff which is adulterated with concentrated lye, to make it "take hold;" with other things, equally as healthful, to give it a bead, and with yet others to impart to it the color of age? A North Carolina storekeeper and gauger, a man of truth, told, a few years ago, of the proprietor of a distillery at which he worked, having, as was his custom, put a tablespoonful of some horrible agent into a barrel of new, white corn whiskey and having thus converted its color into a beautiful amber. On this occasion he cleaned the residue off the spoon with his forefinger and it ate the flesh off the finger to the bone. Yet men took this stuff into their stomachs.

If there is to be any legislation on food and drug adulterations, sowpaw should be included in the bill—that is, if the Morally Stunted have any rights that deserve to be safeguarded or if it is thought worth while to prolong their convivial lives.

The Chattanooga Times says that Governor Frazier, of Tennessee, pardons juveniles under 14 years of age who are convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary, and that his predecessor, Governor Taylor, pardoned those under this age, right and left, and turned them loose as fast as they were sentenced. In the absence of a better place for them, that is entirely right. It will not do for the little devils to get the idea that they have carte blanch until they are 14 years old, but almost anything is better than putting children in the penitentiary. The reformatory is probably the thing. We are somewhat doubtful, in the absence of any reliable affirmative evidence, about any of these institutions having ever reformed anybody; but still the little ruffians are entitled to a chance; and, anyway, the reformatory is a good place to keep them until they are old enough to be turned out, having in the meantime had instruction as to the difference between right and wrong. If they are still criminals it is time enough then to talk about the penitentiary.

It looks as if the New York Republican opponents of Senator Depew have him beaten. At a conference of prominent leaders at the Republican Club in New York city Thursday night, 34 of them present declared for ex-Governor Frank S. Black and six for Mr. Depew, Governor-Chairman Odell is for Black and Odell is boss.

THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD STOP GUESSING.

There is good reason for the resolution which Representative Livingston, of Georgia, has introduced in the House, calling upon the Department of Agriculture for the data upon which it based its recent estimate of the size of the current cotton crop. There are many who do not believe that the estimate is founded upon responsible authority. If not, if the returns were doctored before or after they reached the Department, an irreparable wrong has been done the cotton farmers and every business interest of the South. There are also many who believe that the figures leaked before they were officially given out, and were used by the gamblers who were in possession of them in advance, to fleece others who were not. All of which suggests the inquiry, Why should the government assume it to be its business, any how, to gather statistics of the cotton crop while it is being marketed and give out its findings? We have never heard that the farmers demanded this of it, and do not conceive that it redounds to their benefit. What class other than the gamblers can this advantage? Is it any proper function of a department of government to promulgate a guess at the amount of any crop before its harvesting and preparation for market have been completed?

Representative Livingston is hitting in the right direction, and if the inquiry which he has set on foot shall result in the entire uprooting of the system of crop-guessing, so much the better for the South and for all legitimate interests everywhere.

"We point with pride," to borrow the language of the party platforms—to the array of fine advertisements in this morning's paper. It is not unprecedented. On a number of occasions heretofore this record has been surpassed, but it is a creditable showing that is made to-day. The Observer goes into the hands of the best people of Charlotte and the State, people who are able to buy things. This is the reason that advertisers use its columns so freely and are willing to pay living prices for the privilege.

The ladies are holding the boards at the present time. The war in the East has been retired from the footlights and all interest is centered upon Mrs. Cassie Chadwick, of Cleveland, and Miss Nannie Patterson, of New York. There is always somebody or something of uppermost and continuing interest—who or what will it be when these esteemed ladies shall have strutted their brief hour?

And so Mr. Crumpacker has paid a visit to the President, has confessed his abandonment of hope of a reduction of Southern representation by this Congress, and hied him off to Indiana. The indications are that we shall hear less and less of this scheme as time goes on.

BRIEFS.

Minor Happenings in and About the City—Events of a Day.

—New furnaces have been installed in St. Peter's Episcopal church, and the congregation may expect to worship to-day in comfort.

—A marriage license was granted yesterday to Mr. I. J. Alexander and Miss Daisie Miller, of Huntersville township.

—Rabits and birds from the Clear Creek spots were in evidence about the streets yesterday. The quantity of game on sale about the town is a matter of daily comment.

—A memorial service will be held Tuesday night in St. Micheal's Episcopal church at 7:30 o'clock in honor of the late John S. Leary, the colored lawyer. The public is invited to attend.

—Mr. C. A. Moseley is much worried over the loss of his fine bird dog. He now offers a reward of $25. A picture of the dog has been placed on view at Jordan's drug store.

—The Hogan estate, containing 182 acres of farming land in Pineville township, was sold at public auction yesterday by Mr. S. C. Bradley, commissioner. Mr. J. D. McCall purchased the land at an average of $8 per acre.

—A heavy carriage ran into the buggy of a colored man in front of Jordan's drug store yesterday afternoon and demolished a wheel. The expression of the colored man as he surveyed the wreck was most melancholy.

—A row occurred at a store at the Atherton Mill last night in which Rush Smith received a cut over the eye which he says was made by a pair of brass knuckles in the hands of S. O. Bonds, the proprietor of the store. Bonds is summoned to appear before the recorder Monday.

—The Young Woman's Christian Association will hold vesper services in the association rooms this afternoon at 4:45 o'clock for Charlotte women and the members. The subject of the meeting will be "The Compassion of Christ." Mrs. W. S. Stewart, chairman of the religious work department will lead.

—Gastonia Gazette:—"Mr. G. F. Cross, formerly with The Chronicle and The Observer, of Charlotte, is now with The Gazette, giving the mechanical department his services. He went to work yesterday morning and has a temporary home with his brother-in-law, Mr. Frank Norris."

—Mr. Ike Hirschberg, the Charlotte cigar manufacturer, is in receipt of a letter from Mr. A. H. Howe, secretary to Senator Depew, of New York, ordering to be sent to him at Washington 200 "El Sidelo Resagos," a brand of cigars manufactured in Charlotte. A check for $8 is enclosed. Mr. Howe saw the advertisement in The Observer.

—Robert Crawford, a colored man, living on East Stonewall street was found by Officer Christenbury last night with a gash three inches long over his left temple. The negro said he was cutting wood when the axe turned in his hand and the end of the handle struck him in the head. The wound was sewed up by a physician. The police suspect that there is more behind the matter than Robert told.

Application for a Charter Mailed.

The papers containing the application for a charter for the new Highlands Hotel were drawn up yesterday afternoon and mailed to the Secretary of State at Raleigh. As soon as the charter is granted, the company will proceed to the election of directors and the formation of a definite organization. Plans will then be inspected and the work of construction of the hotel will begin as soon as possible.

PERSONALS.

The Movements of a Number of People, Visitors and Others.

Mr. R. H. McIntyre, of Troy, is in the city.

Mr. H. S. Duval left last night for Washington.

Mr. I. S. Call, of Wilkesboro, is at the Buford.

Mr. H. B. Adams, of Monroe, is a visitor in the city.

Mr. M. S. Herndon, of Statesville, is at the Buford.

Mr. A. E. Watkins, of Greensboro, is in town.

Capt. George F. Bason returned to Gastonia last night.

Mr. James I. Dunlap, of Wadesboro, is a visitor in the city.

Mr. John Ward, of Glen Springs, arived in the city last night.

Mr. W. F. Langley of Lincolnton, is in the city.

Miss Helen Buck, of Bessemer City, spent last night in the city, a guest at the Central.

Mr. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, arrived in the city last night, returning from a business trip to Raleigh.

Mr. L. W. Jenkins and Miss Emma Jenkins, of Stanley, arrived in the city last night and are at the Buford.

Miss Araminta Robinson, of Ansonville, arrived in the city last night and is a guest at the Buford.

Mr. W. R. Robertson left last night for Tallahassee, Fla., where he will spend ten days with his sister, Mrs. E. M. Brevard.

Mr. A. L. Henley, of Greensboro, traveling salesman for the Radical Remedy Company, of Hickory, is in the city.

Mr. W. S. Hemby, of Memphis, Tenn., a former publisher of The Charlotte Chronicle, was in the city yesterday, staying at the Buford.

Accident to Traveling Man.

Mr. William Holland, a well-known and popular travelling man, of Hartwell, Ga., slipped on the ice-crusted pavement in front of Jordan's drug store yesterday afternoon and sprained his ankle severely. It was at first thought that Mr. Holland had hurt himself badly, but the injury proved trifling, and Mr. Holland was resting easy last night.

Burned in House, Probably by Robbers.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 17.—W. M. Stevenson and his wife, and Mrs. Willie Barrett, a visitor, have been burned to death in the Stevenson home, twelve miles east of Monticello. It is believed the house was attacked for the purpose of robbery and set on fire to cover the crime.

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SCARF-PINS in over 200 designs, 50c up. Garibaldi & Bruns.

FOR RENT CHEAP—10-room house and cottage on North Myers St. Jas. L. DeLaney, Piedmont Building.

WANTED—To correspond with party in the cash grocery business in Charlotte, N. C., that desires a partner. Address Lock Box No. 118, Gaffney, S. C.

FOR YOUR WIFE OR DAUGHTER—Come here and get them a fine dresser, individual desk, book case or cheval mirror. Parker-Gardner Co.

DIAMONDS—We have the largest selection to be found in the State. Garibaldi & Bruns.

WANTED—Position by practical bookkeeper of long experience. Expert accountant, fine penman, accurate on typewriter. Best references. Bond furnished. Address Box 41, Stony Point, N. C.

WANTED—A sober, reliable printer wants position as ad. man and make-up on daily paper, or to lease a good weekly with privilege of buying. Am all-round man and can be counted on to give satisfaction. Want to start work February 1st. References furnished; also samples of work. Address "Opportunity," care Observer.

WANTED—Ten men in each State to travel, tack signs and distribute samples and circulars of our goods. Salary, $75 per month; $3 per day for expenses. Kuhlman Co., Dept. D, 20 Atlas Block, Chicago.

HAND BAGS in all the latest patterns—seal, alligator, pig and monkey skins. Garibaldi & Bruns.

WANTED—Reliable person in each locality for business position. Salary $30.00 weekly and expenses. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Previous experience unnecessary. Business established. Address Mr. Cooper, Como Block, Chicago.

WANTED—Live, hustling salesman to introduce a new line for old-established house. An absolute trade-winner and quick seller. High-priced men investigate.

$20.00 AND EXPENSES paid weekly to a reliable man to travel and collect in North Carolina. Experience not necessary. Self-addressed envelope for reply. Address Dept. L, 52 Dearborn St., Chicago.

COSTUMERS. Hat Racks, Brass Lamps, Taborettes and Pictures. Just the thing for a gift. Prices low. Parker-Gardner Co.

FOR SALE—Two mules, wagon and harness, one good family horse, two cows; also farming implements. 'Phone 294-3.

IF THE PARTY who took the long brown color, red plaid effect, Scotch tweed ulsterette from the Southern Railway train about 7 p. m. Friday will send same to the office of Observer he will receive the thanks of the owner and a suitable reward if so desired, and no questions asked.

WANTED—Position by experienced stenographer first of year. Address Miss M, care Observer.

A PIANOLA is just the thing for the whole family. You will be delighted with your purchase. Parker-Gardner Co.

TELEGRAPHED for fresh supply of goods to fill all vacancies. They will arrive Monday. Garibaldi & Bruns.

LARGE STOCK of carpets and rugs. These make handsome and useful gifts. Parker-Gardner Co.

HAVE YOU seen our line of umbrellas? Ask the price. Garibaldi & Bruns.

SIGNET HAT PINS and Rings, $1.50 up. Garibaldi & Bruns.

$100.00 GIVEN AWAY to the three customers holding the lucky number of our cash coupons. Garibaldi & Bruns.

CHINA that is hand-painted is the kind we sell. Garibaldi & Bruns.

BRANNON'S DELICIOUS ICE CREAM—Better, richer, purer, prettier, more perfect than ever—for Christmas.

BRANNON'S delicious ice cream in fancy shapes for Christmas.

BRANNON'S FAMOUS Ice Cream in fancy forms—fruits, flowers, figures—perfect designs, perfect coloring, perfect flavors. Order now for Christmas.

GET A CASH COUPON for every purchase of $1.00 made with us for cash. You may win the prize. Garibaldi & Bruns.

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WANTED—One man in each county to make small investments and work for three months, and clear one to three thousand dollars. Also want six general agents for the Carolinas to handle the most attractive, best-paying proposition in the industrial world. For particulars address Herbert Adams, Bennettsville, S. C.

LAURA MOSES Water Colors—Dainty heads and figures in colors and in sepia. Stone & Barringer Co.

AT COST—From Tuesday morning, Dec. 27, at 9 o'clock, to Saturday evening, Dec. 31, at 5 o'clock, we will sell all blank books and office supplies at cost, plus 10 per cent. to cover freight. Goods must be selected. No goods exchanged. Any articles desired will be charged to regular customers—account to be paid Jan. 1 to 10. We have large stock to select from and you will be surprised at how low the prices are. This is intended as a compliment to our regular customers and to give them the benefit of very low prices for any new supplies needed Jan. 1st. Do not overlook the dates. This is worth your while. Queen City Printing Co.

FOR FRESH MACKEREL, Pork Ribs and backbones at 10c per pound 'phone 396. F. M. Hoover.

WE PRINT ENGRAVED CARDS—Work done in 10 hours in our own plant. Queen City Paper Co.

ANDERSON'S WATER COLORS in landscape and marines, $3.00 to $8.00. Stone & Barringer Co.

RENEW NOW—Let us renew your subscriptions for you. Any publication at reduced rates. Queen City Printing Co.

WHEN IN DOUBT—Give a book. Stone & Barringer Co.

WIVES—We have a great many useful and desirable articles for presents to your husbands or any other husband. Queen City Paper Co.

WANTED—A bright young man to do general office and stenographic work. Must not be afraid of work. Apply with references, industrious, care Observer.

WE HAVE TAKEN ORDERS for over two hundred dollars' worth of subscriptions to magazines. Let us have your order. We save you money. Queen City Printing Co.

SETS of standard authors in library bindings are appropriate. Ask to see the "Virginian," Poe—or the New Century Dickens or Scott. Stone & Barringer Co.

BRIC-a-BRAC and at the right price. Houston, Dixon & Co.

DESK BLOTTER PADS, Pocket Books, Portfolios, Daily Desk Files, Ink Stands and Baskets make nice Christmas presents. Queen City Printing Co.

WATERMAN'S IDEAL—Sterling and Queen Charlotte Fountain Pen—$1.00 buys a good one. Stone & Barringer Co.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—My English setter, answering to name of Rod. White, black and tan in color, with collar bearing tag and name. Ten ($10) dollars reward for return of dog and fifteen ($15) dollars reward for evidence enough to convict party who stole same. C. A. Mosely, 513 N. College St.

PICTURES—Framed and unframed—something beautiful. Houston, Dixon & Co.

WANTED—To buy five- or six-room house. Fourth ward preferred. Address L. M. McK., care Observer.

ARTISTIC BRIC BRAC—Beautiful Satsuma ware, shaving mirrors and smoking sets. Stone & Barringer Co.

FINE STATIONERY in Christmas styles. Houston, Dixon & Co.

VERY HANDSOME Plush Velvet Romeo slippers; fur trimmed and fleece lined. Christmas price, 75c. Gilreath & Co.

COME EARLY and avoid the rush. Houston, Dixon & Co.

DICK'S SLEEPING SLIPPERS prevent cold feet and make sound sleep possible. Price 25c. Gilreath & Co.

WALLETS, Pocket Books, Hand Bags, Card Case. Houston, Dixon & Co.

CHRISTY CALENDARS or Christy cartoons, Gibson calendar, Gibson pictures and the new Gibson book. Stone & Barringer Co.

WANTED—To buy four- or five-room cottage. Good location. Address W. P. R., care Observer.

BOOK'S! BOOKS! BOOKS! for young and old, men and women. Houston, Dixon & Co.

LOST—Ladies' fancy bar pin, in Garibaldi & Bruns' envelope. Reward if returned to 313 W. Seventh St.

LIFE CUPID and Gibson calendars. Houston, Dixon & Co.

CHRISTMAS—Take a kodak with you. Stone & Barringer Co.

OPEN—Our store will be open every night next week until 12 o'clock. Garibaldi & Bruns.

TELEPHONE Hunter & Shuman for table wines, the best to be had in Charlotte.

GOOD OLD Government Whiskies—Go to Norman's for any size case and get the best that there is.

WANTED—Position by experienced stenographer. Address "Stenographer," care Observer.

OFFICE DESKS, office chairs or office cabinets will make a nice Christmas gift for your husband. Parker-Gardner Co.

A POINTER—Attend the neckwear sale Monday morning, 9 o'clock. Tate-Brown Co's.

YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING 'ROUND—Come to the Tate-Brown Co's. for Christmas cravats.

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY—Up-to-date cravats, 25c, reduced from $1.50, $1.00 and 75c. Tate-Brown Co.

WE ARE PREPARED for the big rush, having ample force to wait on all customers. Garibaldi & Bruns.

SANTA SAYS: "See the Tate-Brown Co. Monday morning, 9 o'clock—cravat sale."

FOR THE CHILDREN—Buy them here a nice rocker, dressing table, chiffoner or brass and white enamel bed. Our stock is large. Parker-Gardner Co.

JUST REGISTERED—50 dozen elegant quality four-in-hands go to-day at 25c, three for $1.00. The Tate-Brown Co.

A WEALTHY and attractive maiden wants, without delay, kind husband to relieve her of business cares. No objections to honorable, capable poor man. Address Cook, 67 Flournoy, Chicago.

FOR RENT—Brick store, Seversville, at end of car line. Apply at G. R. Elliott's, Seversville, N. C.

ECZEMA CURED—Itching, scaling, ugly, obstinate skin diseases cured after everything fails, by prescription 1,978. No patent medicine; freshly prepared; 34th year. Satisfaction or money back; 50 cents by mail. Rowlinski, Pharmacist, Savannah, Ga.

WANTED—Board in private family, by Mr. and Mrs. Oppenheim, 332 E. Ave.

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TWO OR THREE ROOMS WANTED by couple for light housekeeping. Address quick, "O," 41 E. Trade St.

THE FINEST CIGARS for the holiday trade. Gem Restaurant.

CIGAR SALESMAN wanted; experience unnecessary; good pay. Emanuel Co., Station "J," New York.

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

W. B. KERR, manager Wadesboro Live Stock Company, will be at Wadsworth's Stables on Thursday, the 15th, with a magnificent lot of Kentucky horses.

FOR SALE—Horse and buggy. See Mr. Ross, Cochrane's tables.

BOOK-KEEPER, Expert Typewriter and correspondent wants position Jan. 1st. Lock Box 470, Henderson, N. C.

THE OBSERVER is offering a year's subscription for the best written carriers' address to be used Christmas day as a greeting from the carrier boys of the paper. Contestants must send in copy not later than the 20th instant. There are no restrictions as to number of verses.

WE DELIVER your Christmas packages. Charge reasonable. A. D. T. Telephone 45.

FOR SALE—Several fine lots on North Pine street, and on W. Twelfth street. Hugh W. Harris.

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

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

WANTED—A few boarders. Apply at 228 North Tryon.

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

FOR RENT—Fred Oliver residence, 408 S. Tryon street; furnished, furnace heat, all modern conveniences. Apply to J. R. Holland.

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.; 40 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C., or Cleveland Building, Spartanburg, S. C.

FOR RENT—Two rooms in Wilkinson Building. Apply Gem Restaurant.

WANTED—Salesman already traveling to carry linseed oil and paints as side line; no samples needed. Address United Paint and Linseed Oil Co., Richmond, Va.

PATENTS—Protect your ideas. No patent, no fee. Consultation free; established 1864. Milo B. Stevens & Co., 763 Fourteenth St., Washington.

WANTED EVERYWHERE—Hustlers to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc.; no canvassing; good pay. Sun Advertising Bureau, Chicago.

FOR RENT—Store-room, 5 West Trade. A splendid stand for any business. Burwell & Dunn.

FRESH NUTS—See Usher Bros. for fresh nuts before you buy.

TURKEYS AND GEESE—Get them from John Lillycrop, the East Trade street hustler.

SUIT CASES for ladies and gentlemen; popular prices, largest stock, best goods. Gilreath & Co.

OLD CORN WHISKEY—The best on the market. Hunter & Shuman.

CHRISTMAS "SMILES"—Telephone 506 for some of Norman's best whiskies.

EXPERIENCE enables us to give the best service. Thad. Tate, Tonsorial Artist.

LAST CHANCE—Lay in supply from D. M. Abernathy's stock of old and pure liquors.

F. H. WHITE & CO. sell the New York State apples at wholesale. Try a barrel.

PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE—S. W. Turbyville is selling out three barrels of old corn, five years in stock; $1 per quart, or $4 per gallon.

MINCE MEAT—Try a can of Heinz's Gold Medal mince meat, at Usher Bros.' Use the telephone.

WEST POINT and North Carolina oysters, fresh and fine, at John Lillycrop's.

TOY TRUNKS make glad little hearts, 75c, 80c, 90c, $1.00, $1.10, $1.20, $2.00, $2.25, $2.50. Gilreath & Co.

ENGLISH Basket Trunks and French dresser drawer trunks are the nicest for ladies. Only at Gilreath & Co's.

HOLIDAY OYSTERS—York River and New River oysters, in any quantity, at J. H. Lillycrop's.

FOR HIGH-GRADE LIQUORS, old and mellow, and in any quantity, at Hunter & Shuman's.

JOHN LILLYCROP sells the game. Quail by the hundred.

AN UP-TO-DATE HAIR-CUT at Thad. Tate's.

"OLD NORMAN"—The best known old corn whiskey in town, at G. W. Norman's saloon.

SELLING OUT—At low rate—large stock old whiskies. D. M. Abernathy.

APPLES—The best apples on the market. Two car-loads, 400 barrels, at F. H. White & Co's.

'PHONE 815 for some of S. W. Turbyville's fine Sherry wine, suitable for table use.

BOARDERS WANTED in private family. For terms address Suburbanite, care Observer.

LOST—21 jewell, Veretos movement, No. 8575726, open-face, silver case watch. Reward if returned to 413 W. Trade St.

BARBER SHOP—For a nice hair-cut go to Thad. Tate's barber shop.

CHRISTMAS TODDIES—If you would have a good Christmas toddy buy some of D. M. Abernathy's old whiskies.

TOY TRUNKS made by trunk factories are different from those made in toy factories; more like trunks and at half the price. Only at Gilreath & Co's.

FLORIDA ORANGES—Attention, country merchants; get your Christmas oranges from F. H. White & Co.

OLD LIQUORS—Get some of S. W. Turbyville's 5-year-old rye whiskey.

RUSSETT FLORIDA ORANGES—Usher Bros. have the best in this line. All sizes.

PIANO AND VOCAL INSTRUCTIONS

Special instruction in piano and vocal lessons. Latest and best methods used. Pupils learn to read at sight.

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FOR

MEN and BOYS

We offer all our Smoking Jackets, Lounging and Bath Robes at 20 per cent off

Regular Price

Our Clothing Store offers many inducements to holiday Shoppers. If you would know what to choose for a man or boy come here and you'll get thorough satisfaction—and you will not pay too much. :: :: :: :: ::

WE CAN POSITIVELY SAVE YOU MONEY ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WHICH WILL MAKE MOST APPROPRIATE AND DESIRABLE GIFTS :: :: :: :: ::

COLLARS, SUSPENDERS, GLOVES, NECKWEAR SHIRTS, UNDERWEAR, HATS, HANDKERCHIEFS, MUFFLERS, SMOKING JACKETS, LOUNGING ROBES, MEN'S SUITS AND Overcoats, Gents' and Boys'

OVERCOATS

Ladies attending our big Holiday Sales this week are earnestly requested to inspect our Men's Furnishing Stock. You'll sure find something for your husband, boy or friend. :: :: :: :: :: ::

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