

COL. WINCHESTER AND GEO. W.

The Charlotte Police Officer Was 74 Yesterday and Washington Would Have Been 174.

"Whither art thou going, young fellow?" asked an Observer man of Col. J. N. Winchester, as he overtook him on North Tryon street yesterday.

"Up on Church street, to fumigate a house where there has been chicken pox," was the reply.

"This is a fine day," said the Observer man.

"Yes, it is my birthday," declared Col. Winchester.

"Why, you are not George Washington, are you?"

"No, nobody but Long-nosed Bob Winchester, but I am 74 years old and if Washington had lived until to-day he would have been 174. I differ some what from Washington. I cut a cherry tree and lied about it to my father but Washington cut one and never lied."

"You are real chipper to be 74 years old, colonel?"

"Yes, I'm just as young as I ever was."

All the while this conversation was going on the newspaper man was craning his neck to see the cigar that Col. Winchester smoked. The cigar was not burning and had never burned, but it was muzzled with a small band of rubber and Washington cut one and never lied.

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From the results of these two examinations we have no hesitation in recommending this water as a safe, wholesome supply for all household and domestic purposes.

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CITY WATER GOOD.

Analytical and Consulting Chemists Pronounce Charlotte's Water Supply Safe and Wholesome for All Household and Domestic Purposes—An Absence of Intestinal Bacteria.

A week or two ago a sample of water from the new water works plant was sent to Penniman & Browne, analytical and consulting chemists, of Baltimore, for a chemical and biological examination. Acting Superintendent F. H. Williams received the report Thursday, which shows the water to be excellent and safe and wholesome for all household and domestic purposes.

The following letter was enclosed with the report:

Attached please find report of chemical and biological examinations of samples of water sent here.

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COTTON OFF A LITTLE.

Farmers Are Urged to Stand by Jordan to the Last.

Cotton fell 11 cents a pound on the local market yesterday to 10 1/2. The price the corresponding day last year was 8 cents and the number of bales 428 against 93 this year.

Some of the Mecklenburg farmers are getting weak in the knees, but they are urged to hold fast now or see their organization go to pieces. It is not a question now of a few more dollars a bale but a question of defeat or victory. The Cotton Growers' Association is being put to the crucial test. Many farmers in this section of the country were opposed to Harvie Jordan's scheme of jumping from 11 cents, the price fixed, and going to 15 cents, and they urged against it. They foresaw that the mill men would join hands with the speculators and fight the organization. But the deed has been done and the farmers must stand behind Jordan or fall with him. Those who are in the front ranks of the Cotton Growers' Association are crying hold on to your cotton and it will rise again. Up to this time the farmers have held and it looks as if they would continue to hold, but some are scared.

Mill men and growers believe that the price will go higher but it may be close to planting time before it will do so.

Echo Answers.

Charity and Children.
"Alice, where art thou?"

Many men give lavishly of gold. To build bridges and castles and towers of old; If you want everlasting fame, a benefactor be. Give the poor and needy Rocky Mountain Tea. R. H. Jordan & Co.

PAUL WHITLOCK'S DOG.

Eclipse, the Fine Bird Hunter, Does Not Take to City Ways—He is a Friend of Everybody and is Always Ready to Say "Good Morning"—He Longs for Rockingham.

When Mr. Paul C. Whitlock moved to Charlotte from Rockingham he brought with him Eclipse, his black and white setter. Eclipse is lost in this city, not literally but he does not know how to take on city ways. Like the country boy who comes to town Eclipse speaks to everybody he meets. No one is a stranger to him; every man, woman and child is his friend. People who live on North Church street, near the Whitlock home, have become attached to Eclipse for his sweet simplicity. All yards look alike to Eclipse, and when he tires of his master's front porch he crosses over to the next door neighbor's house and drops himself there. If the owner sallies forth to make war or friends with Eclipse his tail wags, and his eyes shine with kindness. No humane person could have the heart to strike him. He is friendly, kind and gentle-natured. He is a country dog come to the city. This is no reflection on the beautiful and charming town of Rockingham, the former home of Eclipse, but it is a compliment to Charlotte.

As the writer sends his way home early in the morning he is met two blocks away by Eclipse, who has become lonesome and longs for the peaceful night scenes of Rockingham, where he can hear the chirping of the frogs and the call of the whippoorwill. One night last week, far towards day, Eclipse went out into the middle of the street, sat down and gazed up at his pent up feelings in a long and lonesome and mournful howl. He was thinking of the cool place by the spring, where he was wont to sleep on warm, moonlit nights and the pool room, where he used to loaf. The cry was pathetic, for Eclipse was in earnest. It will require some weeks for the dog to get used to things here. But he has made friends who will be patient with and kind to him.

A GOSPEL AUTOMOBILE.

Rev. W. N. Flanders Sells His Gospel Wagon and Will Buy an Automobile—A Change for the Better.

Rev. W. N. Flanders, the well known Baptist minister, spent yesterday in the city and left last night for Winston.

The Observer has referred quite often to the missionary trips which Rev. Mr. Flanders has made throughout the South. Some months ago, an article appeared containing a full description of his famous gospel wagon. This peculiar vehicle resembles a little house on wheels, with windows on the side, a dog box in the rear, and all kinds of things beneath. It cost \$250 and was made in Winston under Mr. Flanders' direction.

Rev. Mr. Flanders stated to an Observer reporter yesterday that he had sold his gospel wagon and had decided to purchase an automobile for his trips in the future. He stated that he would likely visit New York soon and there make his purchase. He estimates that the machine which he desires, a peculiar design of touring car, will cost from \$1,200 to \$1,500. He stated that this kind he believes will be cheaper and far more convenient than a covered wagon drawn by horses.

The many Charlotte friends of Rev. Mr. Flanders have expressed their wish to arrive in the city before long driving a handsome touring car. On the one side will be "What think ye of Christ," on the other "I would give thee Jesus, God in Love," will grace the rear and just beneath will be "Figs." Rev. Mr. Flanders' new bull dog.

BOSTON SHOE STORE SOLD.

Stock of Goods Bought by Belk Bros.

Mr. Buchanan to Go to Washington.

Messrs W. F. and R. L. Buchanan have disposed of their interest in the Boston Shoe Store, at No. 219 West Trade street to Mr. W. H. and Dr. J. M. Belk, proprietors of the well-known Belk Bros. Department Stores. The stock of shoes is estimated to be worth something in the neighborhood of \$2,000. As soon as an inventory may be made, they will be transported to the shoe department of Belk Bros. at No. 17 East Trade street, and from there will be sold to the general public.

Messrs W. F. and R. L. Buchanan will shortly leave for Washington, D. C., where they are interested in the Washington Coca-Cola Bottling Works. Mr. W. F. Buchanan will take his family with him and in the future they will make their home in Washington.

Some Fine Corn.

Mr. H. A. Gilliland, a prosperous farmer of the Lowville section, sent to Squire S. H. Hilton, yesterday, some fine seed corn. There were several varieties of it, among others the prolific, which grows several ears to the stalk. Squire Hilton will try some of it in his garden.

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JOY FOR THE MOTHERS

There is really joy in store for the mothers in our recent shipment of Boys' and Children's Clothing.

We have been in business for a good many seasons, but the showing of spring style clothing this season far surpasses anything we have ever handled.

Every Mother's ambition is to have her boy appear well, it will be an easy matter if you dress him in one of our suits.

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