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To offer you goods at a certain figure, at which the same article can be had for at any time, but to call it "at half price" for special occasions, is that giving you a bargain?—

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Our furniture is being carried away every day. We have a few nice arm chairs on hand now.

Call and examine our $3.00 Oak Rockers. They are going very fast.

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Ages of Marriage.

Better than a fortune teller's predictions is the table recently prepared by a statistician by which one can foretell the probable age of one's future helpmeet—that is to say, he has tabulated the age at which men at various stages in their life prefer their wives to be. Young men of 18 and 19 years, it seems, generally select wives of their own age, but with increasing years comes wisdom, and at 20 a man prefers a woman of from 21 to 24 years. This indeed seems to be a very desirable age for an unmarried woman, for it remains the favorite for the man in search of a wife until he has passed his twenty-ninth year. At 30 he likes best the women who are anywhere from five years to one year younger than himself, and he is constant in this preference up to his fortieth year. Then he is willing that she shall be as much as ten years younger than himself, but will not have her if she be his equal in years, an opinion which he holds for half a decade. At from 45 to 50 he looks for less disparity, preferring women from 40 to 45, and in the next five years he has the same choice. Thereafter he prefers a woman ten years younger than himself.—San Francisco Argonaut.

AT TWO DOLLARS EACH.

To close out a lot of the finest silverware, we offer a lot of pieces worth from $4 to $10 cash, at $2.00 cash.—J. H. Law, 35 Paton avenue. 259-2

Stable for rent near Hotel Berkeley. Also one set of hand-made double harness at $10.00.—S. H. Chedester.

NEWS NOTES FROM RALEIGH

Little Doubt That Judge Dick Will Resign.

And That Superior Court Judge Douglass Will be His Successor.

Unlicensed Insurance Agents Soliciting Business.

What the Report of the Adjutant General Will Show.

State Auditor Thinks Taxes in the State Will Exceed the Amount Estimated for the Year—Work of the Supreme Court.

Special to the Gazette.

Raleigh, Dec. 8.—Judge Purnell has before him one of the largest dockets ever seen here. There are 100 criminal cases, beside the smaller ones, and he will be pushed to handle them all, so as to close court next Monday morning. From here he goes to Charlote to hold court for Judge Dick who is unable to go. Judge Simonton has appointed Judge Purnell to hold Judge Dick's courts for the present. There seems to be but litle doubt that Judge Dick will soon send in his resignation and that Judge Douglas of the supreme court bench, will be appointed his successor.

Wake county jail is now full, as so many prisoners are here awaiting trial before the court. Most of them are up for some connection with illicit distilling.

Secretary of State Thompson has been very much annoyed recently by insuranc companies, that have not taken out state license, soliciting business in differen places. He telegraphed to Weldon a few days ago for local authorities to look after an agent of the Miller National insurance company of Chicago, who was trying to get business at Weldon.

This week the supreme court is hearing appeals from the eleventh district.

Keeper Burns of the capital, is such a pusher that he does not allow things in the capital square to move along naturally. He is having the square put in thorough order (?), and as he does not want the leaves to fall on the grass after he has had the lawn raked, he has put men up in the big trees to help nature do her work, by thrashing of those leaves that are still clinging to the branches. This wonderful man, if he cannot do one thing he wil do another and thus keep himself constantly before the public.

Mr. Henry Dookery of Rockingham, was here yesterday on his way to Washington He has no doubt that he will succeed Marshal O. J. Carroll as United States marshal for this district, although many have said that Senator Grant of Wayne, would get the place. Mr. Dockery says he does not wish to see Marshal Carroll removed until his full term expires.

Mrs. William Hicks died very suddenly here yesterday while on a visit to her husband's father. She was a Miss Page daughter of Rev. Jesse Page of Albermarle.

Yesterday State Treasurer Worth spent in Greensboro with his mother who celebrated her 90th birthday.

It is said the republicans will soon begin the publication of a weekly or a semi-weekly paper here that will advocate fusion with populists as against the democrats.

The state superintendent of public instruction is urging all county supervisors of education to attend the convention to be held here December 30, and he is assigning topics for discussion to different ones.

There is universal approval on all sides of the prompt trial and conviction of the man Ryan, who so brutally murdered his wife last week. The entire proceedings did not take over thirty minutes.

The Capital club of this city, has put on the bulletin board in the club rooms to be considered at the annual meeting in January, the suggestion that the initiation fee be raised from $25 to $100, and to raise the initiation fee of non-residents from $12.50 to $50.

An insurance company here has had application for half a million dollars insurance. The annual premium will be $36,-025.

The report of the adjutant general will be issued about the first of the year and it will show thirty-four companies (all that is allowed), all fully equipped. Not a single company has disbanded this year

Governor Russell was planning to give the Methodist conference a reception Monday night, thinking that it would not adjourn until on Tuesday.

It was thought that the collector for this district would be appointed yesterday. E. C. Duncan of Carteret, is pretty sure of the place, but George Cobb of Elizabeth City, still hopes for it.

State Auditor Ayer thinks the taxes will exceed the amount estimated for the year. In many counties the insolvent list is being greatly reduced. In Rowan county the sheriff has collected $36,000 against $10,000 this time last year. Many persons who have not paid taxes for years are coming forward and are settling presumably for fear of imprisonment for failure to pay taxes.

Try our peanut brittle, made fresh every day.—The Alcazar, 82 Patton avenue.

CHAPEL DEDICATED

Erected by Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Cadwallader on Vance Street.

The neat and attractive Gospel Chapel on Vance street, erected by Rev. Dr. and Mrs Cadwallader, was dedicated yesterday morning at 11 o'clock to the service of God. The house was filled with representatives from all the protestant denominations of the city.

Dr. Cadwallader, in a brief address, stated the purpose which was had in mind in building the chapel was to provide a place where week-day services might be held, without interfering with the regular service in the churches, and to bring together members of the different denominations for the worship of God.

After the singing of a hymn, led by Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Van Horn, and the reading of an appropriate passage of scripture by Dr. Felix, Dr. Byrd read in an impressive manner the solemn dedicatory service of the Methodist church.

Dr. Campbell delivered a forcible and admirable sermon, from the story of the Samaritan woman, showing that God's holiest temple is not here, nor there, in any place of worship, save only in the heart of the true believer.

Dr. Lawrence gave a most beautiful illustration of the power of the Christian church, in the case of one who had entered weary and burdened with care, into a house of worship; and who, with thoughts uplifted, courage renewed, and strength restored, had gone forth once more to fight the battle of life.

Mr. R. U. Garret gave an instructive lesson, with reference to the need of greater nearness to God; and with prayer by Dr. Lawrence, the singing of a hymn by the congregation, and the pronouncing of the benediction, the dedicatory exercises were closed.

It was announced before closing that a regular service will be held in the chapel every Tuesday at 11 o'clock, and that all are cordially invited.

COURT MATTERS

IMPORTANT CASES TO COME BEFORE CIRCUIT JUDGE.

Brigman-Roberts Suit Decided—Cases From Buncombe to be Argued in Supreme Court.

The approaching term of the circuit court will be a very interesting one, as many cases of more than ordinary importance are on the docket. The solicitor was asked last night what cases would most likely be tried, and informed the reporter that the following is the list:

State vs. J. G. Lindsey, charged with embezzling the funds of the Asheville Temperance society, amounting to over $1,-000; State vs. Cowan, charged with embezzling the funds arising from the sale of goods belonging to Mrs. T. C. Starnes; State vs. Marquet, charged with embezzling a large sum of money, the property of one Webster. Next in importance will be the whitecapping cases from Big Ivy and Sandy Mush.

The solicitor is of the opinion that the investigation of the Indian doctor case now in progress, will result in several prosecutions of a serious character.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

There was but little done in the superior court yesterday. About noon the jury in the Brigman-Roberts case returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff. In the afternoon an action of debt was taken up in which J. B. Bostic and Dr. W. P. Whittington, as security, were defendants, but was not concludede when court took a recess until this morning.

Several of the leading members of the bar will leave this week to attend the supreme court.

SUPREME COURT.

Among the important cases from this county, which will be argued in the supreme court at Raleigh next week, is the case of the Mad River National bank of Springfield, Ohio, et al, vs. the Asheville Furniture and Lumber company.

This case was decided by the supreme court last April, but a petition to rehear was filed by the Western Carolina bank. The National Bank of Asheville and the Battery Park bank, who intervened in the main action for the purpose of setting up their title to the property attached at the instance of the plaintiffs. This petition was allowed by Associate Justice Douglas and the case will now be argued.

The action was commenced several years ago and has already been tried twice in the superior court here and argued three times in the supreme court. It was tried last before Judge Robinson at the August 1895, term of the superior court and an appeal was taken by the intervening banks.

The matter in controversy is a lot of furniture and lumber which the Asheville Furniture and Lumber company attempted to sell the three intervening banks and which, after the sale to the intervening banks, was attached by the plaintiff banks The judgment appealed from now amounts to some thing over $15,000.

SUMNER-EVE.

Yesterday at Calvary church, in Henderson county, Miss Eva Eve, the charming and highly cultured daughter of Major and Mrs. C. W. Eve, of Evewood Villa was married to Mr. I. Leonidas Sumner the junior member of the firm of Sumner & Sumner at Arden. The beautiful and impressive ceremony of the church which united these two faithful young hearts, was performed by the rector, Rev. Mr. Phelps in the presence of a few relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Sumner will for the present live at Arden.

HEADQUARTERS FOR

Novelties in sterling silver. Almost an entire new stock of all new designs. Pure silver, full weight and prices that mean business.—J. H. Law, 35 Patton avenue. 259-2

PROF. BOWMAN'S LECTURE

A Further Assault on Theology by the Free Thinker.

Preceding Prof. Bowman's lecture last eveing at the court house, Mr. E. D. Carter said that there was a movement among Mr. Bowman's friends to make up a private purse for him, and that on next Friday evening, the date of Mr. Bowman's last appearance in Asheville, those who attended the lecture would be asked to contribute. Mr. Bowman is not lecturing for money said Mr. Carter. While many of us may no doubt, may not agree with him in every thing he says, yet we should give him that consideration which he deserves being actuated to stand up for his convictions and to hear great subjects discussed by a great man.

Mr. Bowman's topic was: "Theology heals no wound which itself has not made.'

The speaker said he was "fighting in a good natured way so-called orthodox Christianity."

"My object will be," he said, "to consider the whole theory of theology as a system of fictitious diseases and remedies. The human race is suffering from great evils and theology is to be considered as a system of remedies. You know that bread bills have given frequent relief for imaginary diseases."

A few of the opening sentences of his address are as follows:

"The system of orthodox theology begins with the fall of man and ends with fire and brimstone. It is an orderly logical system. Why is it logical? Because a system of premises and ideas may be perfectly logical, yet entirely false. Logic is the connection between premises and conclusions. Truth has reference entirely to the character of the premises. Begin with the fall of man, etc., this logical system would be true if the premises were true.

As man grows in intelligence he is seeking deeper and deeper to investigate the foundation of these structures.

"Every condition of society, from the most degraded to the most exalted, has risen by the law of evolutionary development. Our present circumstances are the logical conditions of the past and our future will be necessarily the result of the present. Systems of error have grown just as systems of truth have grown. Religious error has simply been the result of poor attempts to solve religious mysteries, just as scientific errors, producing a false planetary system, etc. Error is the grand law of human progress."

BISHOP DUDLEY TO SPEAK

His Great Lecture. "The Historic Christ" to be Given in Asheville.

Among many great addresses at the Parliament of Religions, held at Chicago during the World's Fair one which attracted universal attention was "The Historic Christ" by the bishop of Kentucky. Since then Bishop Dudley has deliver this address several times in behalf of worthy church work. Everywhere it has been received with the greatest enthusiasm and it is a matter of congratulation that the bishop has consented to give this lecture on next Monday night for the benefit of the debt of Trinity parish.

The lecture will be under the charge of the Woman's Guild of Trinity church and more particulars will be given later.

ANOTHER MURDER IN YANCEY

William Lewis Killed by Jackson Higgins and His Son.

L. H. Smith of Yancey county, is in the city, and gives the news of another tragedy in his county. The scene this time is located in what is known as Egypt, a township lying contiguous to the Tennessee line. On Sunday night a crowd of rowdies assemble dat a house and imbibed freely of new apple brandy. Jackson Higgins and his son, who were of the party shot and cut to death William Lewis and made their escape through the rugged mountains that lie about the scene of the tragedy, which is but a short distance from the state line. At last accounts officers were in pursuit of the fugutives, but had not succeeded in arresting them.

MIDNIGHT ARRESTS.

Not less than half a dozen arrests were made for violations of the city ordinaces late last night, such as drunks and disorderly conduct, carrying concealed pistols, etc. At midnight there was considerable excitement about police headquarters, occasioned by the arrest of several persons, charged with different offences. Henry Miller, charged with the larceny of ladies' cloaks and capes, was arrested by Officers Lyerly and Bradley and will have a hearing before Justice Van Gilder this morning. The warrant charged Kate Talley, Julia Foster and Catherine Burns with the theft, but proved that they bought the goods from Miller who admitted that he had sold them to the women. Mrs. Baser who lost the goods, while walking on the streets, identified one of the missing cloaks on the person of a woman. Upon Miller's admission that he had sold her the cloak the women were discharged.

MILLER-HALE.

A noted event of the season was the marriage yesterday of Miss Margaret Hale and Joseph P. Miller, son of F. M. Miller of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. W. Byrd at the home of the bride on Woodfin street in the presence of a few friends. The bridal party, after lunch with the groom's father, left for their home in Birmingham, Ala. The bride was a popular member of Asheville society and her hosts of friends wish her a happy future.

TOBACCO MARKET

About 70,000 Pounds Sold Yesterday in This City.

There were lively times on the tobacco market yesterday and checks were issued by the hundreds. The sales were attended by an unusually large crowd and it was with difficulty that one could wend his way along the floors during the hours of the sale Prices remained firm and satisfactory to sellers.

At the two warehouses about 70,000 pounds were sold, consisting of every variety of grades.

Mr. J. F. Jones of Green county, Tenn. accompanied by several other planters reached the city. The party brought with them nineteen hogsheads of tobacco, some of which will be offered today. Mr. Jones informed a Gazette reporter that the Asheville market was gaining a wide reputation in his state and offered advantages over their own market.

Mr. Jones further stated that if the Tennessee tobacco now on the Asheville market brought satisfactory prices, as he thought it would, the entire unsold crop of East Tennessee, in his opinion, would be marketed here.

The breaks will be heavy again today.

AREND-SMITH

Pretty Wedding at the First Baptist Church.

Shortly after the noon hour yesterday in the First Baptist church, Miss Roberta Smith of Asheville, and Mr. Ernest Augustus Arend of Trenton, N. J., were married, Dr. Felix performing the ceremony, using the Episcopal form.

The church was prettily decorated with palms, ferns, rubber plants, wild smilax and laurel wreaths.

"Friends had assembled together" to witness the ceremony and awaiting the coming party they were treated to "The British Patrol," "The Sweedish Wedding March" by Mr. J. P. Howatt, the organist.

The family came in, taking their seats near the front.

Through the door at the side of the rostrum, came the groom, escorted by Mr. Scott Scammell, his best man. At the sound of Lohengrin's wedding march up the left aisle came the maid of honor, Miss Genie Smith, attired in a traveling dress of green broadcloth, trimmed in tan, a bleach and green hat, with tips, and bearing a boquet of yellow Perle roses. Following and leaning on the arm of her uncle, Mr. H. C. Hudgins of Trenton, N. J., was the bride handsomely dressed in a traveling costume of brown, trimmed in white broadcloth and wearing a hat of black and green with tips. In her hand she bore a large bunch of bride roses. During the ceremony the organist played softly Schumame's Traumeree. At the conclusion the party marched forth to Mendellsshon's wedding march.

They were driven to the home of the bride's mother, on Merrimon avenue where a luncheon was served to the party.

At 2:25 Mr. and Mrs. Arend left for Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

They will make Trenton, N. J., their home this winter, but later will occupy Mr. Arend's house at Asbury Park.

Mrs. Arend, thought a native of this state, is a descendant of one of South Carolina's aristocratic, old families. She is a daughter of Mrs. Owen Smith. Mr. Arend is an architect by profession.

The presents of the ushers and friends of the bride, consisting chiefly of silverware were numerous and made a most beautiful display. That of the groom was a watch of rare beauty set with diamonds.

RANDALL'S CONFESSION.

The case against James Randall and Dr. Walter Hill, for conspiracy, was called up in Justice Jones' court, T. I. Van Gilder presiding, at three o'clock yesterday afternoon. Sherman Hensley was the first witness called to the stand, and his testimony corroborated that published in Tuesday's issue of the Gazette. Mrs. J. A. Keith whom Hensly attacked, was next called, and her testimony was substantially the same as Hensley's.

The prosecution claims that Dr. Hill and Randall planned to murder Roberts, an inmate of Keith's house, and to do all they could to wreck the Keith home.

The case was continued until today at 11 o'clock.

A QUEER GRAND JURY.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 8.—Frederick Allen, eleven years old, from Freetown was indicted by the grand jury today for frightening a school teacher with a mouse. He was held in a $200 bond, his parents being unable to furnish the amount, In contrast, this same jury neglected to indict Adam Forsyth who killed Fred Baker with a stone a month ago.

J. P. MORGAN ARRIVES.

New York, Dec. 8.—J. Pierepont Morgan and Walter S. Burns, son of his late partner, who recently died in London, arrived this afternoon on the Tutonic from Liverpool. Burns' body was also aboard. Eleven sacks of mail were removed from the Tutonic at quarantine for disinfection.

TO INCREASE GERMANY'S NAVY.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—All influential newspaper organs in Berlin tonight consider the passage of the naval bill by the reichstag as assured.

RACQUET VICTORY.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Latham Ashworth defeated Bridger, the local professional, today at the Racquet court. He won four out of six.

NEW IN LAMPS.

The line opened today are the best that can be had for the money. See them before you buy.—J. H. Law, 35 Patton avenue. 259-2

VANDERBILT'S BIG INSURANCE

$1,000,000 on the Life of the Owner of Biltmore.

Largest Policy Ever Issued by an Insurance Company.

Startling Rumor of the Loss of a British Troop Ship.

Senator Hanna Obliged to Take to His Bed.

A Negro Murderer Respited on the Day for His Execution—Geo-gia Legislature Fails to Pass Anti-Football Bill Over the Veto.

New York, Dec. 8.—Before sailing for Europe today and encountering the perils of a traveler on ocean and in foreign lands George W. Vanderbilt took out a million dollars insurance on his life in the Mutual life insurance company. This is the largest policy ever issued by any company in the world. The policy is a straight-life, twenty-year class with an annual premium of $35,000.

Mr. Vanderbilt was in excellent health when he sailed. He proposes to look for tigers when he passes through India.

Halifax, Dec. 8.—A startling rumor is afloat here, but is not confirmed, that the British troopship from Jamacia for Cape Town, had foundered. She had a thousand troops aboard. Before sailing she was docked and cleaned.

NEGRO SNATCHED FROM THE GALLOWS.

Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—Philip Hill, the negro murderer, did not hang today as was expected. A writ of error was taken out by his attorneys a few minutes before the time set for the hanging. The sheriff's attorneys decided that it stayed the execution till after October 1, 1898, when the writ is returnable.

FOOTBALL IN GEORGIA.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8.—The Georgia legislature today reconsidered the anti-football bill, which Governor Atkinson vetoed yesterday. The veto was sustained. The bill failed by ten votes of having the required two-thirds to pass over the veto.

HANNA HAS A RELAPSE.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Hanna was obliged to take to his bed today and his physician was called. He was prohibited from seeing any one.

SOMETHING TO KNOW.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tones. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1.00 per bottle at T. C. Smith's Drug Store, and Pelham's Pharmacy. 2

A Grand Illuminated Display of Jewelry and Silverware.

Thursday evening, Dec. 9th, from 8:00 to 11:00 o'clock.

In making the announcement for our opening at the beginning of this year's joyous season, when it is the beautiful custom of all to give substantial tokens of love and esteem, we wish to say that never before, in the history of the jewelry business, have prices been so low, and the beauty of design so simple, and yet so elegant, as at the present period.

Prices have never been so low as they are this year, and we believe that $1.00 will buy as much, on the average, as $3.00 would five years ago.

We have many beautiful things, ranging in price from twenty-five cents upwards, and if you will give us the honor of a call, we will be pleased to show you hundreds of things, exquisite in design, and at prices that will astonish you.

Our first illuminated display will occur on the evening of Thursday, December 9th, from 8:00 to 11.00, and we hope that you will favor us with your presence.

ARTHUR M. FIELD,

Leading Jeweler, Cor. Church St. and Patton avenue, Asheville, N. C.