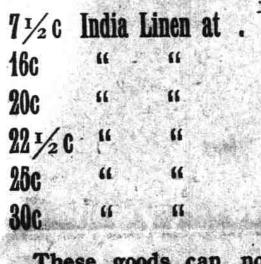


terns; every piece at a bargain price.-



These goods can not be "a word to the wise" etc.-

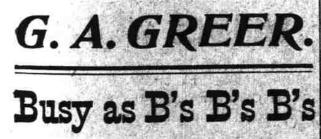
There are no Satisfactory

Substitutes



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. Canned Goods. It is well to remember this.



Fifteen Ballots Taken Last Night Tay sions to be brutal in their treatment of east last week have arrived and being very Main street was ordered repaired. mation and utility of minerals have from lor Receiving 23 Votes - Galleries Reference was made to the sidewalk at clerks. If the commissioner desired the anxious to have the larger part of them **Fo Arrouse Public Sentiment and for** the entrance to the Farmers' warehouse, to place of Mrs. Roberts for a hanger-on why Thronged With Spectatorsin shape for to-day's (Saturday) trade, am time to time shown their appreciation el the lack of sidewalk paving on West Colthe Encouragement and Regulation did he aim a personal dart at her. He must compelled to make this my first advertiselege street and Merrimon avenue where these Gems by using them in sil kinds of curbing had been placed, but no definite ment in my new home and new store a be a poltroon and a coward, indeed, who of Pure Ballot Legislation. Nashville, Jan. 21 .- The deadlock in the action was taken. short one. The head line at the top gives will make a covert charge against a woadornment. A petition that a sewerage line be placed and refuse then to state charges." peratic caucus for nomination of canon West Chestnut street, between Montthe reason. We are never too busy, now didate for United States senator remains Atlen referred to the position taken by New York, Jan. 21.-The second day's ford and Cumbriand avenues, was referred We have decided to close out some ef ever, to show our goods and quote prices, unbroken. The caucus, after taking fif-Gallinger very sharply and was sharply session of the Primary Election league was to the water and sewer committee, as was in fact take pleasure in doing so. I am challenged by Gallinger. Allen contended characterized today by the perfection of a a petition from citizens to make improvethese gems and offer them at prices that teen ballots tonight, adjourned until tovery anxious to meet the trade of Asheville there was a hint of something vitally permanent national organization to be ments on Grove street. morrow. When the caucus assembled all and vicinity, and extend a hearty welcome should make them all sell in a very few A building permit was granted to Frank wrong in the moral character of Mrs. Rob- known as the Primary National Election members were present, and hundreds of to one and all if not to buy, come in and Weaver to erect a seven room house on erts. He reviewed the case and discussed League, and by reading papers and deliv- Cherry street, and H. A. Miller to erect people were in the galleries. The first baldays. bother us-we like to be bothered, in fact its application to the present agitation of ering addresses more to the point of prac- an eleven room house on Montford avelot of the evening, the twenty-third, gave we enjoy it, make a living by it. tical reforms than is relished by theorists nue, provided each party would make sew-WE OFFER: McMillin 39, Turley 30, Taylor, 19. The the civil service question. A special for Saturday, January 22, and erage connections. thirty-fifth ballot stood: McMillin 42, Turwho are leading factors in the league's dis-Senator Pritchard of North Carolina, One lot of 41 gems at 50 cents each. Monday, January 24, only-A . California Half a dozen tax exemptions were ley 28, Taylor 18. On the next ballot, howchairman of the committee on civil service cussions. Lemon Cling Peach, good syrup and really granted. One lot of 40 gems at 60 cents each. The Rev. Mr. McDuffy asked for crossever, McMillin received 39, Turley 26, Tayand retrenchment, said that the committee The committee on regular organization worth 20c per can, for these two days, reported this morning in favor of a nation- ings at the intersection of Sycamore with would carefully investigate the case should lor 23, the vote for Taylor being the high-One lot of 169 gemma at 75 cents each. al organization, having for its purpose the Market street and Valley with Beaumont 15c per can. est yet received. A motion to adjourn was it be referred to his committee, and this encouragement of legislation in several streets for the benefit of his congregation. One lot of 40 gems at \$1.00 each. then carried. states, which shall properly regulate the His request was granted. He also called resolution was so referred. P. L. Byard's One lot of 32 gems at \$1.25 each. conduct of enrollments, registrations, pri- the attention of the board to the lack of IN THE HOUSE. MCKENNA CONFIRMED maries, caucuses, conventions, nomina- water in his end of town to use in case of One lot of 5 gems at \$1.50 each. tions and elections, and assuring and in- fire. This matter was referred to the water Washington, Jan. 21 .- On consideration PURE FOOD STORE suring voters their rights as such. The executive committee of fifteen was and sewer committee. of the senate amendments to the urgent One lot of 3 geme at \$2.00 each. Washington, Jan. 21.-The senate this : A petition for a crossing on Morgan avedeficiency will in the house to-day the reternoon confirmed the nomination of Jo-One lot of 5 gems at \$2.50 each. authorized to prepare by-laws, organize nue, near Bailey street, was referred to 1 1 Phone 49 19 Merrimon Ave seph McKenna for the United States supublican leaders were defeated in their efauxiliary branches in the different states, the street committee. arouse public sentiment and arrange annu- The following bills w The following bills were ordered paid: Dr. Whittington, \$3.00; Buncombe Brick One lot of 3 gems at \$4.00 each preme court bench. forts to insert the provision requiring the One gem for \$6.00. depositors of gold builton hereafter to pay E. Coffin will sell a lot of China Lamps Oscar Straus of New York, was made and Tile Co., \$60; B. F. Creasman, \$27.50; POSTMASTERS CONFIRMED. and House Goods at 12:30 to-day on S. E. It, the cost of transporting it from the assay ARTHUR M. FIRLD, ident. Mayor Quincy of Boston, first Carolina Coal Co., \$66.50; Fei offices to the minus. The government has vice-president: Charles Emory Smith of Kelly, \$14.18; H. Muller, Manufacturing paid this since 1879, and the house in-Philadelphia, second vice-president; Mayor Co., \$6; Asheville Printing Co., \$6.50; J. Washington, Jan. 21 .- The senate to-day Court Square. LEADING JEWELER. confirmed the following postminetions: Wm. H. Chadbou and this since 1879, and the nouse in- Flaver, New Orleans, third vice-president; Mayor eried the provision referred to when the Ralph Easely of Chicago, secretary, and dil was discussed several days ago. The Darwin James, New York, treasures. N. Morgan and Co., \$1.70; Dr. D. E. Se- nominations: Wm. H. Chadbourn, vier, \$5; Southern Railway Co., \$11.60; J. mington; and Tyre Glenn, Green G. Duckett, \$10.00; R. E. Clevenger, \$10.00; N. C. Church Street and Patton avenue, Ashe ON PARTON AVENUE, NO. EIGHTED seried the provision referred to when the CORNER STORE FOR RENT. APPLY TO H. C. OHEDESTER, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING. ville, N. C.

daintiest designs and pat- was for the benefit of the country and the republican party.

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In regard to the joint action on the resolution, it was agreed that when the senate shall meet tomorrow that Stewart shall make his speech on the resolution immediately after the opening hour, the esolution shall be taken up on Tuesday, and a vote taken on all pending amend-12±C ments Thursday.

The postmaster general, in replying to inquiries, sent to the senate a statement 11C showing that the amount of the deficit in 20 the free delivery account for the current month to be \$150,000. This deficiency, he says; is due to the appointment of additional carriers, made necessary by a heavy duplicated at the price. So increase in the postal business during the past six months.

> Senator Hoar thereupon offered an amend ment to legislative bills appropriating \$163,000 to cover the deficiency, which is to become available immediately upon the passage of the bill.

> The amendment was referred to the committee on appropriation.

Senator McLaurin introduced a bill repealing the ten per cent. tax now imposed on circulating notes and state bonds, and authorizing national banking associations to lend money on real estate security.

There was a little stir caused by the discussion of the resolution of Senator Alden of Nebraska, asking the secretary of the interior for papers concerning the dismissal from the pension office of Mrs. M. E. Roberts. Senator Gallinger moved to refer the resolution to the committee on

civil service and retrenchment. Mr. Allen, said that he had learned that Mrs. Roberts was a friend of ex-Secretary Carlisle from Covington, Ky. She for years was a member of the family of James B. Beck, once senator from Kentucky, and her appointment was made through his influence. Mr. Allen declared that no self-respecting gentleman would treat a woman as this woman has been treated by the secretary of the interior and the commissioner of pensions.

"If this administration is willing," he said, "to injure itself in this way, I am willing. If it desires to hurry itself out of power, I am desirous of hastening its exit. But I hold, Mr. President, that it is

not the inherent right of the secretary of been completed on Clayton street. A NEW YORK. the interior or the commissioner of penpeople who are better educated in the for-My new goods purchased while in the broken place in the sidewalk on North

Changes in the Fortunes of Other Re

publicars That Would Follow the Choice of Either Man-

Interest in the question of the appointnent of Judge Dick's successor was increased yesterday by direct information that the contest had narrowed down to Judge H. G. Ewart and Col. V. S. Lusk, both of whom have strong backing in Asheville. A petition, we are informed, favoring the appointment of Judge Ewert, signed by a large number of Asheville lay yers has been forwarded to Washi It is thought by some that the appointit will be postponed for some time. It is

evident that political policy will govern the action of the president in making the appointment and that no step will be taken unt'l after mature deliberation.

In the meantime the friends of the candidates are anxiously awaiting results. -It was reported yesterday that Collector Harkins who has been in Washington for several days taking part in the fight had returned, but his arrival was not known at his office and the collector could not be found by a Gazette reporter who searched for him.

The appointment of either Lusk or Ewart would necessarily bring about several changes and this view of the matter is what interests republicans most. It is thought by some that in the event that Reports on Street ImprovementsBuild-Lusk should get the judgeship his commission as receiver of the First National bank would immediately be revoked and E. D. Carter appointed in his stead, while others think that H. Lamar Gudger would be his successor.

On the other hand it is currently reported that if Judge Ewart is appointed that Solicitor McCall will be promoted to the bench and E. D. Carter appointed to take his place as presiding officer.

In an interview with a Gazette reporter last evening Solicitor McCall sail that be was not a candidate for the Judgeship in any event and that he was content with the office he held and had no preference between the two most prominent candidates, but aid think that either Lusk or Ewart should receive the appointment. Owing to the importance of the office and the great interest manifested by the trickds of the applicants the decision of the presdent is awaited with much general in-



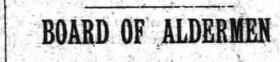
bitas to Esperanza, seventeen leagues from the Spanish capital of Puerto Principe. Two weeks ago Blanco ordered the Spanish commander of Puerto Principe, Gen. Jimenez Castelanos, to dislodge and capture the Cuban government.

No news was received from Castelanos until this morning when it was reported that after a battle, which lasted two whole days, he met defeat, and with a majority of his staff and over one hundred and fifty soldiers he reatreated to Puerto Principe. The Cubans pursued him up to the Spansh fortifications.

The Spanish battalions of Vergara and ment will be made at once, by others that Valladolid have started to reinforce Castelanos.

> The official statement about the battle says the Cuban government with 2,500

men was ousted by Castelanos.



THE PROCEEDINGS OF LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

ing Permits-The Question of Prison Reform

'All members were present last evening at the meeting of the board of aldermen. Mr. Jons, representing the committee on prison reform, reported that he had con-

ferred with the county authorities relative to boarding and working the prisoners, but no definite plans had been agreed upon. The report was carried over till the next meeting.

Mr. Scott stated that the pumps at the water works had been running regularly and there had been no need of coal to run the engine.

The Banner warehouse lot was discussed and Mr. Bostic was ordered to get material and close up the side next to | Penland street.

Mr. Mears reported that the crossings ordered at the last meeting to be put in had been placed, and that the grading had

To Secure Testimony of Representative Otis and Attorney General Campbell

Columbus, O., Jan. 21 .- No witnesses in the senatorial bribery investigation were examined to-day. After a short executive session the committee decided to go to Cincinnati and secure, the testimony of Representative Otis and Attorney Campbell. Managers of the telephone and the two telegraph companies refuse to answer any questions or produce telegrams and records demanded. The combine claims this action is through the advice given by Hanna's attorneys, which tends to prove that the Hanna people are afraid to let the truth be known. To emphasize this view Charles Kurtz and Allen O. Meyers who conducted the fight against Hanna; and who are pushing this investigation, have addressed letters to Senator Burke, chairman of the investigation committee, in which they authorize him and through

him telephone and telegraph companies to produce before the committee all telegrams received or sent by them pending the senatorial fight and records of all telephonic communications held by them during the canvass.

## SEEKS INVESTMENT HERE

Newport Man Who is Favorably Im<sup>4</sup> it was in 1897, when the tariff changes pressed With Asheville.

J. W. Fisher, superintendent of the Unaka tannery, Newport, Tenn., is stopping at the Swannanoa. Mr. Fisher is the gentleman who was knocked from the second story of his tannery by a leather truck striking him, as was reported in the Ga-

zette some weeks ago, and who was severely injured. He is here recuperating from the effects of his fall.

Mr. Fisher is also connected with other enterprises in Newport, and is one of its most prominent citizens. He is much in love with Asheville as a place to live, and thinks it a fine place for his business. He says it is difficult to get a location sitable and states that he knows of five very large firms who have been here within the past four pears but went away and located elsewhere. Here is a mailtier for the new board of trade to investigate.



IN THE SENATORIAL CAUCUS AT NASHVILLE.

quality of cereals shows the most aggressive strength, while those of some sales of pig iron betray more decided weakness. than a week ago. Mild weather is frequently mentioned as the influence to check retail distribution of seasonable goods, chiefly because of the effect on the country roads. Spring trade opens slowly as usual at this time of the year. but confidence is still unimpaired. The immense current production of pig iron, amounting to fully 1,000,000 tons this month, has begun to exert an influence upon the price of that staple, but decreases are reported still only fractional.

The outlook in the steel rail trade is reported as flattering. The large orders for railroad account already booked have been increased within the week, an example of this being furnished by sales of 15,000 tons reported from Chicago at full prices.

The higher prices for wool abroad, based mostly on short yield reports, are reflected in the firmness of domestic quotations, although the demand, while comparing well with most preceding years, is smaller than were anticipated.

The industrial situation, with a single exception-the cotton industry-shows exceptional strength. As yet the strikes in this branch of trade, however, are largely confined to Massachusetts.

## DEMOCRAT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The following call has been issued by President Henry B. Stevens of the Central Democratic club:

"All members of the executive committee of the Central Democratic club are urgently requested to meet in my offices. No. 14 and 15 Legal building, on Saturday, the 22d inst., at 5 o'clock p. m.

"Let every member be present as matters of great importance to the club will come before the committee."

## NORTH-CAROLINA GEMS.

The rare beauties of nature, so well represented in Western North Carolina. are becoming better known every day as