IT IS A MISTAKE

To wait till the scramble, and crowding and hurrah of the eve of the Holidays to make your winter purchases. The judicious buyer wants to investigate values calmly. By this time the merchant has marked his goods at the bottom not b, knowing what he has to unload. Nine times out of ten you will pay more and get less satisfaction in quality by procrastinating. These are facts, and for those who prefer to trade to the best possible advantagewithout confusion,

THE BIG BALTIMORE

Opens the Ball Early by Making the Last Three Days in November,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday CHALLENGE SPECIAL SALE DAYS.

At this formal inauguration of the holiday bargain season, we offer snaps that will not be duplicated in Asheville later, you can rest assured. The knite has been applied rathlessly, and we court investigation. Our special drives on these thre days are as follows:

Dress Goods.

Crepon, 36-inch wide, worth \$1. For this sale 80c. The \$1.50 quality 98c. 24-inch, all, wool plaid flannel, 24c. Fine dress plaid, worth 60 to 75c, 45c. 44-inch covert suiting, well worth \$1, for this sale 73c. 54-inch broad cloth, the \$1.50 qual-

Towels and Porlies.

A pure linen huck towel, 10c. Fine Damask linen towel, 23x48, worth 30c. For this date 21c. Extra size towels, 24x50, cheap at 40c,

for this sale 28c. Doylies and napkins at a reduction of 25 per cent.

Blankets and Comtorts

Cotton blankets from 50c per pair

Extra size, all wool (warp and filling), blanket worth \$4, for this saie

Fortydozen ladies' union suits at 25c a piece; 75c ladies' union suits at 48c. Ladies' all wool vests and pants, the \$1 quality, 73c. 50 dozen misses' hose, the 15c quality,

Special Drives-Ladies Kid Gloves A good \$1 glove at 75c per pair.

A fine \$1.50 glove (every pair warranted) \$1 per pair.

Fur Boas and Collarettes.

We will sell you a fine collarette for \$2.50, as good as any \$5 collarette in Asheville. Call to see our line.

Clothing.

In this line we offer special inducements from the cheap working suits to the finest dress suit. An all wool suit cheap at \$8; for this sale \$4.98. A fine worsted suit, as good as any

merchant tailor-made \$18 suit. For this sale \$9.98. 565 pairs of trousers at a saving of

Fine dress shirts from 25c up.

Hosiery and underwear for men and

Ladies Capes and Jackets.

In this line we can save you from 25 to 40 per cent in every garment. Our \$5 jackets are as good as any \$7 jacket in the market.

Shoes.

Our shoe trade is increasing and will continue to do so when we are offering such bargains as follows: Mens

Up to date, stylish shoes, worth from \$3.50 to \$4; during this sale

Genuine box calf, tan or black win-

ter shoes, worth \$3: \$2.23. Strong line men's winter weight hoes in black or tans, lace and congress, worth \$2; only \$1.33.

50 pairs sample shoes, were bought different styles, can't be bought elsewhere for less than \$1.25, reduced to

Ladies.

Vici kid, latest toes, button or lace, worth \$2.50, during this sale \$1.75. Well known welt sole winter shoes. amy styles, worth \$2, cut price only

Limited quantity, all solid shoes, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50, now 98c.

Boys.

Shoes worth \$2 regardless of cost, reduced to \$1.33. Another lot, choice styles, all leath-

er, worth from \$1.25 to \$1.50, now 98c. Misses.

Genuine welt, Dongola shoes, worth

Solid leather, dressy school shoes, worth \$1.25, 98c.

We also offer special cuts in children's shoes; space too small to quote prices, but come and be convinced that during this sale we sell shoes cheaper than ever before offered in this place.

Having a resident buyer in New York who is constantly on the alert, keeps a lookout for all kinds of sheriff sales and other forced sales, puts us in a position to have a line of extraordinary bargains, and we are always glad to give our customers the benefit of it.

THE BIG BALTIMORE.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM CURES OTHERS, WHY NOT YOU? My wife has been using Chamberain's Pain Balm, with good results, for constantly for nine years. We have tried all k'ads of medicines and doctors with at receiving any benefit from them. One day we say a advertisement of this medicine and thought of trying it which we did with the best of satisfaction. She has used only one bottle and her shoulder is almost well .-Adolph L. Millett, Manchester, N. H. For sale by C. A. Raysor.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP The partnership heretofore existing between James C. McPherson and Thomas G. Clark, under the firm name of McPherson & Clark, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, Thomas G. Clark having sold out his interest therein to J. Walter Moore. All debts due to said firm should be paid to the new firm of McPherson & ets on sale December 4-7 inclusive, fina Moore, who own the same and all lia- limit December 16. Round trip rat bilities of said firm of McPherson & from Asheville \$16.85. Clark should be presented for payment to said new firm of McPherson & Moore, who will pay the same. This stle December 11-14 inclusive, final limi November 27, 1899.

JAMES C. McPHERSON. THOMAS G. CLARK.

Transylvania Railroad Company

(Formerly Hendersonville & Brevard Railway.) In Effert Cctober 22, 1899. STATIONS. P.M.

12.01 Lv. Brevard..... Ar. 5.30 *12.16 Davidson River *5.20 12.27 Penrose 5.07 *12.37 Blantyre *4.58 12.46 Etowah 4.50 *12.55 Cannon *4.43 on Sunday.

Connects with the Southern railway at Hendersonvile for all points north

1.00 Horse Shoe 4.33 *1.10 Yale *4.29 1.30 Ar. .. Hendersonville.. Lv. 4.10 *Flag Stations. **Passengers only

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SPECIAL RATES.

On account of the annual meeting of the southern educational association, a lame shoulder that has pained her Memphis, Tenn., tickets will be on sale December 24-25, final limit January 8, \$2 membership fee, for the ruind trip, Rate from Ashevile, \$18.65.

> On account reception First Tennessee regiment, Nashville, Tenn,, rate of one first class fare for the round trip for civilians and rate of 2 cents per mile one way for the round trip for military and brass bands in uniform twenty or more on one ticket will be authorized. These rates apply from Asheville and points west. Dates of wale and limit of tickets will be announced later.

Special excursion rates offered by the Southern Railway for the following oc

Account N C. Conference, Methodis Church, South, Washington, N. C. Tick

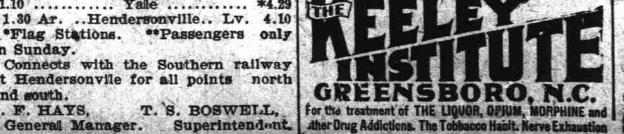
Account Annual Session, Grand Lodg of Masons, Goldsboro, N. C. Tickets of December 20. Round trip rate fror Asheville \$12.80.

Account Bantist State Convention and

Young People's Societies of N. C. Tick ets on sale December 4-5-6, final limi December 15. Account Poultry show, Shelby, N. C. tickets on sale November 20-Decembe

5 inclusive, final limit December Round trip rate from Asheville \$3.90. For full information call on ticke agenit or address, F. R. Darby, C. P. T. A., Asheville, N. C., or R. L. Vernon T. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.



The term "caddies," or "cadies," or "cawdies," is akin to "cad" and "cadet" and means messengers or unattached male servants. Caddies, in fact, were originally a class of men, found in every Scottish town of any size, who were at 1900, at rate of one first class fare, plus the beck and call of everybody who wanted an odd job done. Hence they were at the beck and call of everybody who was starting for a game of golf, and now, thanks to the organization of labor, they are employed solely by the golfer .-London Gem.

Joy in life is like the oil in the lamp. When the oil commences to fail, the wick burns with a glimmering red flame, filling the air about it with a black smoke. Life, also, without a little joy, burns unprofitably, filling the air with depression and sadness.

His View of It.

The mills of the gods grind slowly, remarked the philosopher. "Geared too low, perhaps," replied the

"Both my wife and myself have been using CASCARETS and they are the best medicing we have ever had in the house. Last week my wife was frantic with headache for two days, she tried some of your CASCARETS. and they refreed the pain in her head almost immediately. We both recommend Cascarets. CHAS. STEDEFORD. Pittsburg Safe & Deposit Co., Pittsburg, Pa

CANDY CATHARTIC TRADE MARK REGISTERED EGULATE THE LIVER

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The superintendent of public health of Guilford county has issued a proclamation of warning to the inhabitants of that county, urging vaccination on account of the epidemic of small pox at the terra cotta works.

A young man has been arresed in Kluttz's drug store yesterday evening and taken to Yadkin College, Davidson county, where, it was said, a young woman was very anxious to marry him. The fellow said he didn't mind going, for he loved the girl and was willing to marry her.—Salisbury

Vice-President Frank S. Gannon of the Southern railway company, announces that it has recently received 1,000 box cars and 500 coal cars for use in its territory, while 1,000 more freight cars will be delivered to it next month. Mr. Gannon also states that the Southern will give am order for 2,500 additional cars December 15. The ne wrolling stock is absolutely needed in order to carry the freight business offering. The traffic, according to his statement is unprecedented in the history of transportation.

The condition of those sick at the Normal is about the same as on yesterday. The two ladies are still very ill and their death would not be surprising, though others equally as low are now improving. Those who showed improvement a few days ago are doing very nicely and will perhaps recover. Mrs. Turner, a niece of Hon. Josiah Turner, of Orange, is very sick. She is matron and has been through all the sickness. Now that she is down herself, her system of course being greatly impaired, she is having a serious time of it.-Greensborn Record.

Ten thousand acres of magnetic ore land in Ashe county, N. C., has been leased by the Pennsylvania Steel company, and the Cambria Steel company, of this city. Experts state the finest deposit of magnetic ore in the Southern states exists in that county. It is understood the companies will build a railroad at once. The N. & W., from Chestnut Yards, Va., may be extended, though it is intimated that by agreement both the Southern and the N. & W. may figure in it and the Southern road be extended from Wilkesbarre to Bristol.

Mr. Henry Stewart, of High ands. Macon county, N. C., writing to Mr. M. V. Richards, land and industrial agent of the Southern railway concerning sheep raising in western North Carolina, says: "This mountain region is the most favorable locality for various reasons, as the cheapness of lands, the larger tracts that might be procured, and the excellent growth of abundant supply of the purest water. Near here is an enormous quantity of unleached land, held in large tracts, that may be procured for very low prices, varying from \$1 to \$10 an acre. on which the timber standing is worth all the money."

It is learned that the fever patients at the Greensboro Normal college are with few exceptions, improving. For the past week, says the Greensboro Record nurses have been in demand at the Normal, and scores of the best women in Greensboro-young girs and mature matrons—have donated their services and take nights about helping in the work. The thought of contracting the disease does not enter into their calculations. They see that they are needed and wade in. Put to the test a man might hire a substitute, but he would desert home before he would take a hand.

"Messrs. Stokes Penland and J. R. Hyams, who have recently moved to Linville Falls, Burke county, are making extensive improvements there. They intend to make the place a summer resort. It has an elevation of 3,700 feet, and is within a half mile of Linville Falls and Linville cave. By the way this cave has recently been explored for more than a mile, and its extent is a matter of guess work. It is hollowed out of the lime stone cliffs under 'Humpback' mountains in Mc-Dowell county, and there are many stalactites and stalagmites. A beautiful stream of clear water flows through it, and there is a pool of unknown depth. -Burke County News.

The November bulletin of the agricultural department contains an article by State Chemist Kilgo which is of special value to farmers. Speaking of tick fever and the protection of cattle, State Veterinarian Cooper Curtice says: reports of splenic, or tick fever, have been less frequent, and scarcely more than single, sporadic, mild cases may be epected until the black frost shall close the season. All cattlemen should make their preparation for the closed season during the coming open season. There is every prospect that the line will be everywhere more stringently enforced next year, and that no bands of cattle can be moved in its neighborhood without being subjected to the scrutiny of all dwellers along the road. The cattle men of the quarantined counties have so far failed to make thorough organization, and attempts to keep out and eradicate the ticks so for as to secure release from quarantine. On the other hand many individuals have been disinfecting their farms, and some report a great diminution in numbers of the ticks, and hope to succeed entirely by spring. Their partial failure seems to have been necessitated by conditions under which they have kept the cattle, and possibly lack of thoroughness, but their success indicates to them that the principle is right, and that their perseverance will be rewarded. Considering that this work is but beginning, the success of the year has been more than could have been expected."

A NIGHT OF TERROR. "Awful anxiety was felt for the widow

of the brave General Burnham of Ma chias, Me., when the doctors said sh could not live till morning" writes Mrs S. H. Lincoln. who attended her tha fearful night. "All thought she mus soon die from pneumonia, but sh begged for Dr. King's New, Discovery saying it had more than once saved he life, and had cured her of Consumption After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completel cured ber." This marvelous medicing is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

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			COLUMN TWO				
No. 37-11	. No. 35.			Eastern Time.	No	. 12-38. N	o. 36
4.30pm	12.05am		Lv	New York	Ar.	12.43pm	6.85am
6.55pm	3.50am		Lv	Philadelphia	Ar.	10.15am	2.56am
9.20pm	6.22am		Lv	Baltimore	Ar.	8.00am	11.25pm
10.43pm	11.15am		Lv	Washington	Ar.	6.42am	9.05pm
6.10am	6.07pm		L	Danville	Ar.	11.25pm	1.30pm
12.10am	12.01pm	•	Lv	Richmond	Ar.	6.40am	6.25pm
8.35pm	9.10am		Lv	Nerfolk	Ar.	8.20am	5.55pm
1.10am	2.50pm		Lv	Selma.	Ar.	3,50am	12.35pm
2.09am	3.50pm		Lv	Raleigh	Ar.	2.45am	11.35am
5.15am	6.35pm		Ar	Greensboro	Lv.	11.45pm	8.50am
				Central Time			
9.05am	7.50pm		Lv	Salisbury	Ar.	6.sopm	9.30am
9.55am	8.30pm		Lv	Statesville	Ar.	5.44pm	8.43am
10.35am	7.07pm	4	Lv	Newton	Ar.	5.03pm	8.09am
10.52am	9.25pm		Lv	Hickory	Ar.	4.45pm	7.52am
12.12pm	10.34pm		Lv	Marion	Ar.	3.28pm	6.45am
2.15pm	12.03am	12	Lv	Biltmore	Ar.	1.30pm	5.21am
2.25pm	12.10am		Ar	Asheville	Lv.	1.20pm	5.15am
2.35pm	12.15am	9 4	Lv	Asheville	Ar.	1.10pm	5.10am
3.52pm	1.33am		Lv	Hot Springs	Ar.	11.40am	4.00am
2.55pm	3.00am	g.	Lv	Morristown	Ar.	9.50am	2.30am
7.40pm	4.25am		Lv	Knoxville	Lv.		1.15am
11.35pm	7.40am		Ar	Chattanooga	Lv.	4.20am	10.00pm
7.10pm	7.10pm	100	Ar	Memphis	Lv.		9.15am
6.40am	6.33pm		Ar.	Nashville	Lv.	10pm 1	.10am
7.50am	7.50pm		Ar.	Louisville	Lv.	7.45pm	7.40am
7.30am	7.30pm		Ar.	Cincinnati	Lv.	8.00ph	3.20am
			Ar.	New Orleans	Lv.		

A. AND S. BRANCH.

No. 14.	No. 18.	T			Central Time.	À	No. 13.	No. 9.
7.05am	2.05pm	ula		Lv		Ar.	6.00pm	1.40pm
8.13am	3.15pm	**	7	Lv		Ar.	6.52pm	2.30pm
10.18am	5.pm			Lv	Headersonville	Ar.	6.03pm	1.45pm
9.08am	3.57pm			Ĺν	Tryon	Ar.	5.00pm	12.42pm
11.22am	6.15pm			Ar	Spartanburg	Lv.	3.10pm	11.25am
3.20pm	9.35pm			Ar	Columbia	Lv.	11.40am	8.30am
8.17pm	11.00am			Ar	Charleston	Lv.	7.00am	7.20pm
	5.20am	1		Ar	Central Time Savannah	Lv.	*	12.24am
	9.15am	5		Ar	Jacksenville.	Lv.		8.00pm
	8.00am			Ar	Augusta	Lv.	9.00pm	9.30pm
9.55pm	5.10am			Ar	Atlanta	Lv.	7.50am	11.50pm
7.40am	8.10pm		ħ	Ar :	New Orleans	Lv.	7.45pm	7.55am
7.40am				Ar	Memphia	Lv.	9.00pm	
				Ar	. Macon	Lv.	7	

MURPHY BRANCH

No. 17. N	To. 19.*		Central Time.		No. 18.	No. 20.1
	2.45pm		Asheville	Ar.	7.15pm	12.05pm
10.38am	4.10pm	LV	Waynesville	Ar.	5.53pm	10.38am
10.58am	4.30pm			Ar.	5.30pm	10.10am
12.40pm			Bryson City	Lv.	\$.50pm	8.40am
	0.30pm	AF	Murphy	Lv.	0.00pin	5.30am

*Daily except Sundays.

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Trains 37 and 11, and 12 and 23 carry Pullman sleepers between New York Washington, Asheville, Het Brings, Chattanooga, and Nashville. Trains 11, and 10 and 12, between Jacksonville, Savannah, Columbia, Asheville, Springs, Knoxville, and Cincinnati. Trains 35 and 36 carry Pullman slee ers between Salisbury, Asheville, Hel

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