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The Bargain Centre of Asheville.

If interested in your own welfare investigate the following Bargains which we offer for three days. See the goods and you will then realize the Remarkable Lowness of Our Prices.

Dress Goods.

250 pieces all wool, new style spring dress goods; worth from 50c. to \$1.00...

25c

Our line of Crepons is the most complete in the south. See our prices. We have as a special a beautiful line of new...yes, bargains at \$1.50; for three days...

98c

Embroideries and Laces.

Big reduction in Embroideries and Laces. The following prices will move them rapidly. The 2c. kind now 19c. The 20c. kind now 14c. The 15c. kind now 12c. The 12 1/2c. kind now 1c. The 8c. kind now 5c.

Underwear.

Avail yourself of the chance. 2500 Ladies' Ribbed Undershirts, in all colors—worth anywhere else 15c. to 20c. During this sale only...

12 1/2 c

Skirts.

For three days (no longer) we have 15 dozen stylish, well made, handsomely trimmed skirts, in plaids, checks and figures; all colors; good values at \$1.50. Our special price...

98c

Waists.

Our special sale of waists has caused us to get another big lot, which cannot be equaled anywhere for less than 75c. to \$1.00. We will put on our bargain tables at...

48c

Wash Goods.

Largest assortment to select from in the state. Beautiful P. K.'s, worth 12 1/2c., only...

10c

19c

Lawns in all colors, worth 25c., only...

12 1/2 c

1000 yards Crossbar Muslin, which will cost you 7 1/2c. and 10c. anywhere else, for three days only...

5c

A CHANCE FOR YOU.

Men's Shoes

We have just opened a lot of 100 pairs of Men's Sample Shoes—worth from \$2.50 to \$3.00. For three days only...

\$1.98

250 pairs Men's Well Made, Serviceable Shoes; sell anywhere else from \$1.25 to \$1.75. Our special price...

98c

Ladies' Shoes

Our line of Ladies' Oxfords in all shades and styles. The best value in the city, for from \$1.75 to \$2.00...

\$1.48

Also a nice line same styles, good values, at from \$1.25 and \$1.50. Our price for three days...

98c

CAROLINA NEWS.

The state has chartered the Brevard Water company, capital \$10,000.

A letter received from Captain W. B. Moore, of Company L, first South Carolina Infantry at Yorkville, states that he and his command will be in Charlotte at the Mecklenburg celebration the 20th of May week.

It is thought a compromise will be effected in the case of Tom Carr for killing Policeman Kerns at Concord, whereby Carr will be sentenced to a term in state prison. Carr's partner, Will Edwards, will hang—Salsbury Sun.

Rev. John E. White, now secretary of the Baptist state mission board, is urged to take charge of what is to be known as the mountain mission work of this church in several states, among them Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. It is regarded as practically certain that he will accept the presidency of the Baptist Female Academy.

The committee on the Vance statue will probably meet here about May 20. By that date it will be certainly known whether the statue will be delivered June 20. The committee will, if all things are satisfactory, then arrange the program for ceremonies July 4. There is a great deal to be done. Subcommittees will have to be appointed and other aid called. An orator will have to be selected. One of the questions is, shall he be a contemporary of Senator Vance or not?—Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer.

Clerk Henry Clay Brown, of the corporation commission has received the first copies of the new railroad map of the state for 1900 to the preparation of which he has given much time, care and ability. It is the second map issued. The first was in 1897. The map reflects special credit upon him. It shows the following new roads and extensions: Carolina and Northern; East Carolina; Lawndale (Cleveland county); Raleigh and Cape Fear; Cape Fear and Northern; Carthage extension; Durham and Charlotte extension; Mount Airy and Eastern; Winston to Mooresville; Virginia to Wooddale (Person county); Aberdeen and Ashboro extension; Aberdeen and Rockfish extension; Roanoke Junction, branch of Raleigh and Gaston; Elrod to Hub (Atlantic Coast Line); Ridge-way to Petersburg; Hamlet to Columbia. The map shows 3,627 miles, of which the Southern has 1,223. Seaboard Air Line 619, Atlantic Coast Line 940, miscellaneous 843. The longest road is the Carolina Central, 271 miles; the next the North Carolina, 223 miles. The map also shows the new county of Scotland.

HEARTS THAT SHINE.

By Laura Jean Libbey. No matter if the face be plain almost to homeliness, if a fond, true heart accompanies it, it has a beauty in its kindly tenderness of expression that a bright eye, a pink cheek and a dimpling smile can never equal.

The wise man had rather choose for a life companion the plain little woman with a fond heart, than the beautiful girl, the very acme of perfection, who owes all her exquisite to some famous modiste.

The lustre of a fond heart does not dim with time, nor will it beat less fondly, no matter how great the sorrows that agitate it. Like the most precious of gems it is usually found in the very plainest settings.

A light, fickle heart more often than not accompanies beautiful features. God adjusts matters in His own wise way when He gives to the plain little woman the fond heart, knowing that it will be worth more to her as the years advance. For the fond heart draws love toward it with a magnetism which cannot be resisted. And what man would resist it if he could?

A sweet disposition always accompanies the fond heart. We look for it there and are never disappointed.

No man's honor was ever tarnished by the plain little wife, whose great charm lay in the fondness of her affection for her husband, whose fond heart beat only for the mate God had given her.

If men prized this attribute and looked for it in the wives they choose, in preference to beauty, vivacity or any other fascination, there would be fewer broken hearts and wrecked homes.

Let the plain, fond-hearted little woman never despair. She is a thousand times more apt to win a noble lover and an adoring husband than is her pretty flirt of a cousin.

We need more of these good fond-hearted, true women for the coming generations, to mother them, as only such large-hearted women can.

The plain little woman who has only her fond heart is not rusted over with false pride. She is modest and shy; she is not looking for or expecting the admiration of the world of men. And if one does seek her out and pay her homage and wed her, she showers upon him such a dower of love from that fond, faithful, little heart that he is her devoted slave forevermore.

He realizes that he has won a treasure. The prince in the fable who was sent out to find Peace, began his search for it by first endeavoring to find a plain maiden for a wife, feeling reasonably sure she would have a fond heart.

And when he had found a bride he wrote back to the king that he had found Peace.

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LITTLE GIRL'S HOUSE DRESS.

Tiny Maids Revel in Pretty Frocks of Expensive Wash Materials. Comfort is the keynote of children's fashions this year. All of their clothes are made upon lines which allow the utmost freedom of body and limb, and at the same time embrace the newest features of fashion.

There is a tendency to drift toward the expensive wash materials for children's dresses that are employed in gowns for their elders. For instance, one sees a little maid of six or seven summers gowned in a silk gingham frock checked in the tiniest of plaids.



A CHILD'S PIAZZA DRESS.

The dress is designed especially for house wear. Its color scheme is carried out in white and pale blue with a very tiny hairline of green. The skirt is gored and caught in gathers at the back.

The waist has a little bolero of white pique with double sets of lapels in pique and gingham. The pique lapels are bordered with a tiny wash finishing braid. From the front of the bolero there falls a wide box plait of the gingham which is tacked to the skirt to hold it in place, but this can be easily removed when the dress is sent to the laundry.

The sleeves and collar are also of pique, but for the sake of economy they can just as effectively be developed in the gingham. The costly silk material may be substituted for the pretty Scotch ginghams which come in so many pretty colors this year.

HELEN GREY-PAGE.

EPIDEMIC OF WHOOPING COUGH.

Last winter during an epidemic of whooping cough my children contracted the disease, having severe coughing spells. We had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy very successfully for croup and naturally turned to it in that time and found it relieved the cough and effected a complete cure.—John B. Clifford, Froppier, Norwood House, Norwood, N. Y. The remedy is for sale by C. A. RAY, druggist.

It takes time just ten years to become a decade.



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SPECIAL EXCURSION RATES.

Account annual reunion United Confederate Veterans, Louisville, Ky., May 30 to June 3, 1900, tickets on sale from stations in Kentucky and Tennessee, May 28, 29 and 30, and from stations in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, May 27, 28 and 29, to Louisville, final limit of all tickets June 6, at rate of one cent per mile, with minimum rate of 50 cents. Round trip rate from Asheville \$7.90. Account of Street Fair and Carnival, Richmond Va., May 14-19, 1900, tickets on sale May 12—Inclusive, final limit May 21, at rate one and one-third one way fare for the round trip. Rate from Asheville \$16.50. On May 14-19 inclusive tickets for return, 75c. from date sold tickets can be purchased at one way fare for the round trip. Rate from Asheville, \$12.10. Account of meeting North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners and State Medical Society, Tarboro, N. C. May 15-19, 1900, tickets on sale May 15, 21 and 22, final limit May 28. Round trip rate from Asheville \$14.40. Account Southern Students' conference of Y. M. C. A.'s, conference of City Y. M. C. A. Workers and conference of Young Women's Christian Association, Asheville, N. C., June 15-25, 1900. Tickets on sale to Asheville June 13 to 16 inclusive, final limit June 23, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Annual convention B. Y. P. U. of America, Cincinnati, O., July 12-15, 1900. Tickets on sale to Cincinnati July 10 to 12 inclusive, final limit July 13, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Round trip rate from Asheville, \$12.35. General conference A. M. E. church, Columbus, O., May 7 to June 5. Tickets on sale to Columbus May 3 to 5 inclusive, final limit May 8, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Round trip rate from Asheville, \$10.75. Account annual convention Young People's Christian Union, Universalist church, Atlanta, Ga., July 11-18. Tickets on sale to Atlanta July 10 and on trains arriving Atlanta prior to noon of the 11th, final limit July 20, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Round trip rate from Asheville, \$7.95. Account spring festival, Charleston, S. C., May 14-19. Tickets on sale to Charleston May 14 to 17 inclusive, final limit May 21, at rate of one fare for

THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY PREPARING FOR SUMMER RESORT TRAVEL.

The Passenger Department of the Southern Railway has sent out circulars to hotels and to persons who are willing to entertain summer boarders, residing on or near the Southern Railway, requesting full information as to location, number accommodated, terms of board, etc., for guidance in completing information for "Summer Homes Folder," season, 1900. Blanks can be had of station agent, or by addressing Mr. W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent, Southern Railway, Washington, D. C.

NEW THROUGH TRAINS TO PORTLAND, PUGET SOUND, THE BURLINGTON, NC. THROUGH LACIFIC EXPRESS, No. 1, from St. Louis, at 9:00 a. m. for Kansas City, St. Jo. pl. Northwestern Nebraska, Black Hills, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Tacoma, Seattle, Puget Sound and Portland, Oregon, via Billings, Montana—the shortest line and time saver to the Upper Northwest. TO THE PUGET SOUND IN 71 HOURS. Through coaches, chair cars (seats free), standard sleepers and dining cars with through tourist papers from Kansas City. This is the main traveled route St. Louis to the Northwest.

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TORTURED A WITNESS.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. J. Martin, of L'vie, Ky., before he gave this evidence: "I coughed every night until my throat was nearly raw; then tried Dr. King's New-Disco ery, which gave in tant relief. I have used it in my family for our years and recommend it as the greatest remedy for Coughs, Colds and all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. It will stop the worst cough, and not only prevents but absolutely cures consumption. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guarantee d. Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the general assembly at its next meeting to have the charter of the city of Asheville, N. C., amended so that the city may own, operate and control or acquire an interest in a lighting plant for the city.

EXCURSION TO NIAGARA.

One of the most enjoyable and popular excursions of the season will be via the C. H. & D. railway to Niagara Falls on August 9. Same rates as were in effect last year. Details can be had from any C. H. & D. agent.

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