

THE ..BIG BALTIMORE..

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 styles, 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 1 c.
- 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

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10 and 12 Patton Avenue.

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 \$7.80.

Account of meeting North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners and State Medical Society, Tarboro, N. C., May 16-22, 1900, tickets on sale May 15, 16, 21 and 22, final limit May 26. 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 28, 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 June 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.

For full information call or ticket agents or address F. R. Darby, C. P. & T. A., Asheville, N. C., or R. L. Vernon, T. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

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, accommodation, terms of board, etc., for guidance in compiling 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, NO. 10, THROUGH PACIFIC 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 77 HOURS. Through coaches, chair cars (seats free), standard sleepers and dining cars with thorough tourist sleepers from Kansas City. This is the main traveled route St. Louis to the Northwest.

NUMBER 5, NEBRASKA-COLORADO EXPRESS, mid-day train from St. Louis for Nebr., a Colorado, Utah Pacific Coast; ONE NIGHT TO DENVER. Also for St. Paul, Minneapolis and beyond.

NO. 15, AT 8:45 P. M. St. Louis to Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Pacific Coast via Denver; also to the Northwest—Montana, Washington, Oregon via Lincoln and Billings.

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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 its water supply and its lighting plant for the city.

NASHVILLE, CHATTANOOGA AND ST. L. AND WESTERN AND ATLANTIC RAILWAYS.

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J. H. Lattimer, S. P. A., Cor. 9th and Mark street, Chattanooga, Tenn. W. T. Rogers, T. P. A., Knoxville, Tenn. H. F. Smith, Traffic Manager, Nashville, Tenn.

Try a Gazette want ad.

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.

News and Opinions

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CAROLINA NEWS.

Masonic lodges in the state now number 314.

A forest fire in No. 2 township, Cabarrus county, burned over ten acres of ground and destroyed 100 cords of wood.

Perry Willis, while chopping wood Tuesday afternoon, accidentally stuck the axe in the top of his head, receiving a deep gash.—Spruce Pine Cor. Bakersville Mirror.

At Arapahoe, Pamlico county, on the evening of the 3d, lightning struck and killed a three-year-old child of George Conner while the little was in its mother's arms. The mother was severely if not fatally injured.

H. L. Stevens, of Warsaw, tells the Raleigh Post that this season's strawberry crop in Duplin county will bring over a million dollars to the county alone. Duplin ships more berries than any other county in the state.

Mr. George W. Long tells us today that the apple crop in his neighborhood is almost entirely destroyed. Mr. Long says that somebody has killed nearly all the limbs and that there are but few blossoms on any of the trees.—Salisbury Truth-Index.

With monthly regularity L. A. Gettys, the monazite buyer continues to make shipments of the golden sand. He shipped a car load last week. The product in Cleveland seems inexhaustible and affords lucrative employment to a large number of people.—Shelby Aurora.

For many years an aged white man, who called himself Dr. Williams, has peddled medicine in the vicinity of Fayetteville. He was recently stricken with paralysis and being very poor, was placed in the county home. There he made a strange confession. He said his real name was Quarles, and that years ago he deserted his wife and children at Littleton, his home. His family was notified and one of his sons, now a prosperous business man, has taken the old man home to his family.—Fayetteville Observer.

Down in Edgemont, formerly known as "Smoky Hollow," conditions are changed. Where stood shanties a few months ago, inhabited by respectable people, an immense cotton factory, a bag factory, and an electric plant are going up. The concrete foundations of the cotton factory is above ground. The clay dug out of the foundation has been made into brick on the lot and being burned right there. The rock used in the concrete is blasted on the premises, crushed there and thrown into the cement tub, from which it is dumped on the foundation wall.—Durham Herald.

Mr. J. W. Young returned from Asheville Tuesday, where he had gone to meet Mr. J. W. Bastin, secretary and superintendent of the Laurel Coal company of Pittsburgh, Ky. Mr. Young, who is well known in this and adjoining counties as a mica dealer and miner, has been in correspondence with Mr. Bastin and others, who have become interested in the mica mines of this county. Before leaving today he leased one of the largest mines in the county, known as the Smith mine, and on his return about June 1 will probably take charge and put a force of hands to work at the Ray mines. In the past these have been the best paying mines in the county and from them have come the finest mica ever mined in the state.—Burnsville Mirror.

"DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the finest pills I ever used."—Dr. J. D. Moore, Millbrook, Ala. They quickly cure an liver and bowel troubles. Dr. T. C. Smith.

MYSTIC SHRINERS.

Charlotte, May 15.—The Mystic Shriners will hold their annual meeting here next month. The exercises will cover three days, a day each being devoted to the meetings of the Grand chapter, Grand Commandery and Temple. The only temple in the Carolinas is in Charlotte the Oasis temple.

DURING THE SUMMER season cramps come upon us unexpectedly. You should be prepared for an emergency of this kind, as otherwise you will suffer agony for hours. Keep a bottle of Pain-Killer handy and go by the directions on the wrapper. It will surprise you how quickly relief will come. Avoid substitutes: there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. Price 25c. and 50c.

Although the stinging apparatus of a bee is less than a quarter of an inch in length it leaves a red hot impression about a quarter of a mile long.

"I had stomach trouble twenty years and gave up hope of being cured until I began to use Kodal Dyspepsia Cure. It has done me so much good I call it the savior of my life," writes W. R. Wilkinson, Albany, Tenn. It digests what you eat. Dr. T. C. Smith.

With the opening of the presidential campaign this country will probably experience another natural gas boom.

A FAST BICYCLE RIDER Will often receive painful cuts, sprains or bruises from accidents. Buckner's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and heal the injury. It's the cyclist's friend. Cures Chafing, Chapped Hands, Sore Lips, Burns, Ulcers and Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Try it. Sold by all druggists.

A hungry man usually disregards all rules of table etiquette.

THE GREATEST EVIDENCE of the danger of cholera morbus, diarrhea and dysentery is the increase in the death rate during the summer months. You cannot be too careful, and particular attention should be paid to the diet. A supply of Pain-Killer should always be at hand for it can be relied on at all times as safe, sure and speedy. A tea-spoonful will cure any ordinary case. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. Price 25c and 50c. Best returns for Gazette want ad.

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A DRESS FOR COOL DAYS.

They are making these serge gowns this year with plain skirt trimmed probably with a few rows of braid. The waist is made upon a fitted lining and laid in plaits at both the front and back. It is cut low at the neck to be worn with a chemise of white linen. A very effective finish is afforded the waist by broad lapels of cream-white cloth stitched with blue silk or very narrow soutache braid. HELEN GREY-PAGE.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, price 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Pennsylvania Railroad Company

(Formerly Hagerstownville & Brevard Railway.)

In Effect October 22, 1899.

P.M.	STATIONS.	P.M.
8.01 Lv.	Brevard	Ar. 5.30
12.16	Davidson River	5.20
12.37	Penrose	5.07
12.57	Blantyre	4.53
1.46	Etowah	4.40
1.56	Cannon	4.33
1.00	Home Shoe	4.25
1.10	Fale	4.20
1.30 Ar.	Hendersonville	Lv. 4.10

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