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**HOFFMAN & SIMPSON,**  
Dentists,  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Respectfully inform the citizens of Charlotte and  
the public, that they have associated themselves  
together in the practice of Dentistry. Their aim  
will be to perform all operations relating to the  
profession in the most skillful manner and highest  
degree of excellence.  
Teeth extracted without pain by the use of Nitrous  
Oxide Gas. Satisfaction guaranteed.  
Office on Trade Street, in A. R. Nesbit & Bro's  
new building. Jan. 15, 1873.

**Alexander & Bland,**  
DENTISTS.  
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.  
Office in Brown's Building, opposite the Charlotte  
Hotel. August 4, 1873.

**JOHN E. BROWN,**  
Attorney at Law,  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Will practice in the Counties of Mecklenburg, Cab-  
arrus, Rowan, Davie, Union, Lincoln and Gaston.  
Will give special attention to cases in Bankruptcy.  
May 12, 1873. 6m

**ROBERT GIBBON, M. D.,**  
Physician and Surgeon,  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
Brick Office corner of 5th and Tryon Streets.  
Residence on College Street.  
March 11, 1872.

**Dr. JOHN H. McADEN,**  
Wholesale and Retail Druggist,  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Has on hand a large and well selected stock of PURE  
DRUGS, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Family  
Medicines, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Dye Stuffs,  
Fancy and Toilet Articles, which he is determined  
to sell at the very lowest prices.  
Jan. 1, 1872.

**J. P. McCombs, M. D.,**  
Offers his professional services to the citizens of  
Charlotte and surrounding country. All calls, both  
night and day, promptly attended to.  
Office in Brown's building, up stairs, opposite the  
Charlotte Hotel.  
Oct. 28, 1870.

**Saddles, Harness, &c.**  
We respectfully inform our patrons that we shall  
continue the manufacture of SADDLERY and  
HARNESS at our old stand, next door to Sinc-  
house, Macaulay & Co's.  
We shall always keep one of the most extensive  
stocks in the South, which we will sell at prices to  
suit. To Wholesale Buyers we say that we will  
duplicate any bill in our line bought North.  
We shall always keep a large stock of well known  
brands of Headlock Sole, Oak tanned, Kip and Upper  
Leather on hand, at prices as low as any in the City.

**Hides and Bark Wanted,**  
For which we pay the highest prices in CASH.  
MR. W. E. SHAW has charge of the Estab-  
lishment, and will be pleased to see his friends.  
March 3, 1873. SCHIFF & BIRD.

**STENHOUSE, MACAULAY & CO.,**  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
Grocers & Commission Merchants,  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
Consignments of Cotton sold on, on which we  
will make liberal advances to be sold here, or if  
shippers desire will ship to our friends at New York  
or Liverpool direct. Commissions and storage on  
moderate terms.  
August 19, 1872.

**CENTRAL HOTEL,**  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
This well-known House having been newly fur-  
nished and refitted in every department, is now open  
for the accommodation of the Travelling Public.  
22 Omnibuses at the Depot on arrival of Trains.  
Jan. 1, 1873. H. C. ECCLES.

**W. F. COOK,**  
Trade Street, on North Carolina Railroad,  
Charlotte, N. C.,  
Manufacture of CHISEL MILLS and all kinds of  
FARMING IMPLEMENTS.  
All orders promptly attended to.  
Jan. 22, 1872.

**PORTRAIT PAINTING.**  
ARTHUR L. BUTT, ARTIST,  
Studio over Merchants and Farmers Bank,  
Charlotte, N. C.  
I shall be pleased to show specimens of my  
work at my studio, to any who are interested in Art.  
I paint Portraits from Life or Photographs. Pre-  
specially solicit consignments of Cotton and wool  
when they have a Photograph. I can accommo-  
date persons at a distance if they will send a Photo-  
graph with directions, &c.  
Feb. 3, 1873. ARTHUR L. BUTT,  
Charlotte, N. C.

**GRIER & ALEXANDER,**  
DEALERS IN  
Groceries, Liquors, Tobacco, Grain, Powder,  
&c., &c.,  
Trade Street, CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Having removed to their large and commodious  
NEW STORE, two doors above the Market House,  
and their Mr. C. W. ALEXANDER being at present  
at the North, purchasing their Fall Stock, are  
daily receiving large additions to their present  
stock, which they are prepared to dispense to their  
customers on as reasonable terms as any house in  
the City.  
Having ample Store Room they are prepared to  
store from 800 to 1,000 bales of Cotton, and would  
respectfully solicit consignments of Cotton and  
Produce, which will be handled on liberal terms,  
and guarantee prompt returns.  
W. W. GRIER,  
Sept. 8, 1873. C. W. ALEXANDER.

**NOTICE.**  
I have in my hands for collection all the Notes  
and Accounts in favor of the late firm of Graham  
& Williams, and as Mr. J. D. Williams has left the  
City, all debtors must come forward and settle at  
the appointed time, as no longer time will be allow-  
ed without cost.  
W. J. BLACK,  
P. S.—Allowing me on my old affairs had better  
settle, or they will wish they had.  
Sept. 22, 1873. W. J. BLACK

A ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR  
FOX HUNT.—Messrs Suit, Marshall and  
Cross of Prince George county, Md., hav-  
ing issued a challenge to the world for a  
run of fox hounds, the amount of wager be-  
ing \$100,000, a North Carolina gentleman  
(Mr. R. G. Sneed of Granville county), has  
responded through one of the New York  
papers, saying: "If the gentlemen are bona  
fide in their offer, I will wager any amount,  
not exceeding \$100,000, that my fox hounds  
are better hunters and superior in speed,  
power and endurance to others; and I am  
ready to run them any time between now  
and the 1st of January, 1874, at any  
place within one hundred miles of Wash-  
ington city. Should a match be made, I will  
deposit the money or its equivalent with  
the Merchants' and Planter's bank, Rich-  
mond, Va."

**CHARLOTTE (N. C.) INSTITUTE,**  
FOR YOUNG LADIES  
Annual Term for 1873-74 commences (D. V.) on  
Wednesday, 1st October, and terminates 29th June.  
Pupils charged to the end of the term. No deduc-  
tion for withdrawal, save in cases of protracted ill-  
ness, or at the option of the Principals. Pupils  
from abroad to board at the Institute. Payments  
for half-term strictly in advance.  
Board, Fuel and Lights, per half term, \$105.00  
 tuition in English, 25.00  
 Music—Vocal and Instrumental, 30.00  
 Contingent Fee, day pupils, (fuel, &c.) 1.00  
For additional information, address  
R. H. CHAPMAN, D. D.,  
Sept. 29, 1873. Im Charlotte, N. C.

**J. McLAUGHLIN & SON,**  
(Successors to E. M. Holt & Co.)  
Respectfully inform their friends and the public  
generally that they will continue the  
**Grocery Business**  
On College Street, at the stand formerly occupied  
by E. M. Holt & Co.  
Farmers and purchasers generally are invited to  
call and examine their stock of choice Family and  
Plantation Groceries.  
Country Produce of all sorts bought at Market  
prices or stored for the owners at reasonable charges.  
A large Stock of Goods is being received for the  
Fall trade. J. McLAUGHLIN & SON.  
Aug. 11, 1873.

**TO MERCHANTS**  
Visiting Charlotte!  
You will find my stock of PAPER, ENVELOPES,  
BANK BOOKS, PIPES and NOTIONS as cheap  
as any house in North Carolina, and you are in-  
vited to examine my stock.  
J. K. PUREFOY.  
**Ledgers and Day Books.**  
500 LEDGERS AND DAY BOOKS, from 2  
to 12 quires, long, broad and square, at  
April 7, 1873. PUREFOY'S.

**NOTICE.**  
As we have rented the Store Room recently occu-  
pied by Grier & Alexander, (next door to Wilson &  
Black's Drug Store,) we inform the public that we  
have a good assortment of Family Groceries, Cotton  
Ties, Baggings, &c.; also a good stock of Thomas-  
ville Shoes; all of which we will sell on reasonable  
terms for Cash or barter.  
Our friends and the public generally are respect-  
fully invited to give us a call, and judge for them-  
selves.  
Sept. 1, 1873. 4m SIMS & ALEXANDER.

**NEW FIRM**  
**SMITH & FORBES,**  
(Successors to S. P. Smith & Co.)  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
**Boots, Shoes, Hats, Trunks,  
LEATHER, &c.**  
This House being the oldest and largest Estab-  
lishment of the kind in the State, it will always keep  
for the inspection of its Customers, at Wholesale  
and Retail, a well selected stock of Boots, Shoes,  
&c., brought direct from Manufacturers. Having a  
superior assortment always in the Northern Markets,  
we claim that we can sell Boots and Shoes as low  
as any jobbing house in New York or Baltimore.  
We will have in Store by September 1st, 1873,  
Cases Boots and Shoes, which we intend selling at  
prices that defy competition. Do not fail to call at  
the old stand of Smith's Shoe Store and examine  
our Stock of Boots and Shoes before buying. We  
pledge ourselves to please.  
SMITH & FORBES,  
Successors to S. P. Smith & Co., Charlotte, N. C.  
27 N. B.—We have two large Shoe Stores ad-  
joining, one exclusively Wholesale and the other  
Retail and will give our Customers the benefit of  
superior advantages in the Shoe Trade.  
Aug. 18, 1873. SMITH & FORBES.

**W. R. BURWELL & CO.,**  
Wholesale and Retail Druggists,  
Springs Corner, CHARLOTTE, N. C.,  
Have in Store their usual large supply of  
PURE DRUGS, CHOICE CHEMICALS,  
FINE PERFUMERIES,  
TOILET and Fancy Articles,  
CHOCOLATE, SPICES,  
FLAVORING EXTRACTS,  
SEGARS, PATENT MEDICINES,  
Wines, Brandy and Whiskies  
Of the best quality for Medical uses.  
All the official and other standard Fluids and  
Solid Extracts, and various Oils generally in  
use by the Medical Profession on hand. Our stock  
comprises everything usually found in a first class  
Drug Store, and is offered on the most favorable  
terms for cash.  
Orders filled with neatness and dispatch at lowest  
market rates.  
June 23, 1873.

**To Publishers and Printers.**  
**BOOK AND NEWS PAPER,**  
Of the best quality, manufactured at the  
**ATLANTA PAPER MILLS,**  
by JAMES ORMOND, PROPRIETOR,  
Atlanta, Georgia.  
Refers to this sheet as a specimen of the  
quality of paper made.  
June 2, 1873.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**  
Having removed to the large and commodious  
house opposite the Court House, I shall be pleased  
to see my old customers and as many new ones as  
possible. I shall at all times try to make it to the  
interest of everybody to patronize me. I am deter-  
mined to keep pure and reliable goods, which I am  
ready to warrant as represented, and to sell at as  
small profit as any one.  
Having ample store room I am better prepared  
than ever to handle Country Produce, and in all  
cases will do the best I can for my patrons.  
Sept. 8, 1873. B. N. SMITH.

**Hardware!! Hardware!!**  
Carpenter's Tools, Blacksmith's Tools, Builder's  
Material and Sheet Hardware of every description,  
cheap at WOLFE, BARRINGER & CO'S.  
Sept. 29, 1873.

**Accommodation.**  
Postal Cards and Postage Stamps can be had at  
Cost in any quantity at  
**TIDDY'S BOOK STORE.**  
August 25, 1873.

## The Tools of Great Men.

It is not tools that make the workman,  
but the trained skill and perseverance of  
the man himself. Indeed, it is proverbial  
that the bad workman never had yet a good  
tool. Some one asked Opie by what wonder-  
ful process he mixed colors. "I mix  
them with my brains, sir," was the reply.  
It is the same with every workman who  
would excel. Ferguson made marvelous  
things, such as his wooden clock, that  
accurately measured the hour—by means  
of a common penknife—a tool by every-  
body's hands, but then every body is not a  
Ferguson. A pan of water and two the  
mometers were the tool by which Dr. Black  
discovered latent heat, and a prism, a lens  
and a sheet of pasteboard enabled Newton  
to unfold the composition of light and the  
origin of color. An eminent foreign savant  
once called upon Dr. Wollaston and re-  
quested to be shown over his laboratories  
in which science had been enriched by so  
many important discoveries, when the doc-  
tor took him in his little study, and point-  
ing to an old tea-tray on the table contain-  
ing a few watch-glasses, test-papers, a small  
balance and a blow pump, said, "There is  
all the laboratory I have."

Stothard learned the art of combining  
colors by closely studying butterflies'  
wings. He would often say that no one  
knew what he owed to those tiny insects.  
A burnt stick and a barn door served  
Wilkie in lieu of a pencil and canvas. Be-  
wick first practiced drawing on the cottage  
walls of his native village, which he cov-  
ered with his sketches in chalk; and Benja-  
min West made his first brushes out of the  
cat's tail. Ferguson laid down in the field  
at night in a blanket, and made a map of  
the heavenly bodies by means of a thread  
with small beads on it, stretched between  
his eye and the stars. Franklin first robbed  
the thunder-cloud of its lightning by means  
of a kite made with two cross sticks and a  
silk handkerchief. Watt made his first  
model of the condensing steam-engine out  
of an old anatomist's syringe, used to inject  
the arteries previous to dissection. Clif-  
ford worked his first problem in mathemat-  
ics when a cobbler's apprentice, upon small  
scraps of leather, which he beat smooth for  
the purpose; while Rittenhouse, the astron-  
omer, first calculated eclipses on his plow.

**NOTICE.**  
All persons indebted to Bartholomew Fuller,  
decd., will please make payment to the undersigned  
as early as practicable, and those having claims  
against said estate will please present the same to  
the undersigned within the time prescribed by law.  
W. D. RUSSELL,  
Sept. 30, 1873. 3wpd Administrator.

**NEW**  
**BOOT AND SHOE STORE,**  
Having received the most of our Stock of  
**Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps,  
TRUNKS AND LEATHER,**  
for the Fall and Winter Trade, we invite all to call  
and inspect our Stock before making their pur-  
chases as we are confident that the quality, style  
and price of our goods is not surpassed by any  
House in the South.  
Thinking our friends and the public generally for  
their past patronage, we hope by strict and personal  
attention to business to merit the same in the  
future.  
All goods warranted as represented.  
Respectfully,  
SAMPLE & ALEXANDER.

**To Merchants.**  
As we buy direct from Manufacturers with the  
same advantages of Jobbing houses North we can  
and will duplicate New York Bills. Call and see.  
SAMPLE & ALEXANDER.  
Sept. 22, 1873.

**J. S. PHILLIPS,**  
Merchant Tailor and Clothier,  
Offers to the public the finest and best assorted  
Stock of Goods for  
**Men's Wear**  
Ever brought to this market, including  
CLOTHS, CASSIMERS, VESTINGS,  
READY-MADE CLOTHING,  
**Gents Furnishing Goods,  
HATS, CAPS, &c., &c.**  
Having had Fourteen Years experience in buying  
for this market, besides being a Practical Tailor, I  
feel satisfied of my ability to give entire satisfaction  
as to Goods and prices.  
Call and examine goods and prices.  
Store under Central Hotel. J. S. PHILLIPS.  
Sept. 29, 1873.

**WOLFE, BARRINGER & CO.**  
We respectfully invite the attention of our friends  
and the public generally to our new stock of  
**Fall and Winter Goods,**  
Consisting of Domestic Dry Goods, Bleached Shir-  
ting, N. Y. Mills, Wamsutta, Lonsdale, Fruit of the  
Loom, &c., full width Bleached and Brown Shee-  
ting, Pillow Case Cotton and Linen, Irish Linens,  
Family Linens, Lonsdale Cambric, &c., Red and  
White Table Damask, Napkins, Towels, &c., Tick-  
ings, Shirting Stripes, Ginghams, Plain and Striped  
Linses, Flannels, Red, White, Yellow, Grey and  
Black Opera Flannels all colors, Blankets and Bed  
Spreads all sorts.  
The largest and cheapest stock of Jeans, Tweeds,  
Satinets, Cloths and Fancy Cassimere, we have  
ever had.

**Ready-made Clothing,**  
**GENTS FURNISHING GOODS,**  
HATS, CAPS, SHOES, TRUNKS & VALISES.  
Our stock of  
**Ladies Dress Goods,**  
Silks, Silk Poplins, Black Alpacaes, DeLains, Reys  
and Mohairs, and everything in that line has been  
selected with special care by Mr Wolfe.  
A complete assortment of White Goods and Trim-  
mings, Hamburg Edgings and Inserting, Lullies,  
Lace and Linen Collars, Corsets, Handkerchiefs and  
a good article of Kid Gloves.  
**Ladies Shawls and Coverings**  
Of the latest styles. All these goods are of the best  
quality and latest styles, and will be sold as low as  
any in the market.  
WOLFE, BARRINGER & CO.

**Hardware!! Hardware!!**  
Carpenter's Tools, Blacksmith's Tools, Builder's  
Material and Sheet Hardware of every description,  
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Sept. 29, 1873.

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Cost in any quantity at  
**TIDDY'S BOOK STORE.**  
August 25, 1873.

## A Spanish Romance.

PARIS, Sept. 17, 1873.—A somewhat  
noted personage has just passed away, and  
one who has figured largely in the minor  
monarchical memoirs of his time. The  
Duke of Buzanar has just died in his villa  
of Mondesir at Sainte-Adresse. To a ma-  
jority of my readers it may be, this name  
will suggest no particular sources of the  
past, since for a generation at least, the  
Duke has not been known in public affairs.  
Yet there was a period in his life when  
man envied his chances and his destiny,  
and woman gave her most flattering smiles.  
He was the hero of one of the prettiest and  
most seductive romances to be found out  
of the pages of Dumas or Eugene Sue, but deriv-  
ing additional interest from the prestige of  
reality. The history of his life is like a  
page from the *Thousand and One Nights*,  
and has furnished food for many a romantic  
dream. King Cophetua espoused a beggar  
maid; the gentlemen who has just died re-  
versed the legend and married a queen.  
When a simple soldier in the Royal Body  
Guard of Madrid, he awoke one morning,  
the 28th of December, 1833, to find him-  
self the chosen husband of her Majesty,  
Maria Christina Ferdinanda, of the Two  
Sicilies, Queen Regent of Spain, who, just  
two months before, had become the widow  
of Ferdinand VII. The story goes that he  
was on duty at the palace when the young  
widow passed and turned in her tracks to  
regard his handsome face and manly form.  
She was charming in her widow's weeds;  
he returned her gaze with modest yet ar-  
dent longing. In that moment, it is said,  
the young soldier's sovereign had felt for  
him that strange, invincible, penetrating  
sensuation which the contemporaries of Louis  
XV. were accustomed to call "the thunder-  
bolt of love." Such a love, or such a ex-  
plosion, can overcome all obstacles, and the  
obstacles in this case were of no small im-  
portance. It took Maria Christina nine  
years to get the man to whom she had thus  
given her left hand recognized as her royal  
consort, and it was not until the 13th of Oc-  
tober, 1841 that she could get the marriage  
officially recognized and accepted by the  
Catholics. Her daughter, Queen Isabella II.,  
had then been twelve months the actual  
sovereign of Spain. No better proof need-  
ed to show that the caprice of a lonely  
Winter had turned into a firm and abiding  
love, and it was generally remarked that  
Queen Christina had become a better and  
a nobler woman since her marriage with the  
simple soldier of the Guards. At this time  
the soldier of fortune found his fortune  
made. On the celebration of his legitimate  
marriage he was created Duke of Buzanar,  
Chevalier of the "Golden Fleece," and  
recognized as a Prince and grandee of  
Spain. The day before, he was simply  
Fernando Munoz. In this life story we  
have quite romance enough, without trying  
to exaggerate the details, as many writers  
have done, by trying to make out that  
Fernando Munoz was a peasant born, and  
the son of a mulatto. Such was not the  
case. The body-guard in Spain, as in  
France under the ancient monarchy, was  
recruited from among gentlemen of ancient  
families, of distinguished manners, and of  
superior education and courtly training.  
The hero in this case came of a very old  
and honorable family. The legend which  
represents him as the son of a mulatto-  
driver, who did not know how to read or write, is  
a romantic exaggeration, which has no  
foundation in fact.

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decd., will please make payment to the undersigned  
as early as practicable, and those having claims  
against said estate will please present the same to  
the undersigned within the time prescribed by law.  
W. D. RUSSELL,  
Sept. 30, 1873. 3wpd Administrator.

**H. B. WILLIAMS**  
WITH  
**Wittkowsky & Rintels.**  
I am now engaged in business with this Large and  
Extensive Establishment, and will be pleased to  
have my friends and acquaintances call and see me  
before buying. I am confident I can sell them  
goods to advantage.  
HENRY B. WILLIAMS.  
Oct. 6, 1873. Im

**GUN SMITH SHOP.**  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
Next to Elias & Cohen's Dry Goods Store,  
Informs the public that he has just received a new  
stock of Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Gun Material, Locks,  
Keys, &c., &c.  
Please call and examine my stock before pur-  
chasing elsewhere.  
Repairing of all sorts in my line  
done promptly and satisfaction guaranteed.  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
Oct. 6, 1873. Im Opposite Charlotte Hotel.

**ATLANTA**  
**MEDICAL COLLEGE.**  
The Sixteenth Regular Course of Lectures in this  
Institution will commence on the first Monday in  
November, and continue until the first of March  
following.  
**FACULTY.**  
A. W. Griggs, M. D., Emeritus Prof. of Principles  
and Practice of Medicine.  
Jno. T. Banks, M. D., Emeritus Prof. of Obstetrics.  
W. H. Goslin, M. D., Prof. of General and Medi-  
cal Chemistry.  
Wm. Abram Love, M. D., Prof. of Physiology.  
Jno. Thad. Johnson, M. D., Prof. of General and  
Anatomy.  
J. G. Westmoreland, M. D., Prof. of Materia Medica  
and Therapeutics.  
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G. W. Holmes, M. D., Prof. of Principles and Prac-  
tice of Medicine.  
N. D'Alvigny, M. D., Professor to Prof. of Surgery  
and Curator.  
Practical Anatomy conducted by Professor of  
Anatomy.  
The following fees for regular course will be  
required:  
Matriculation (paid once only), \$5 00  
Tuition for the Full Course, 50 00  
Practical Anatomy (required once), 25 00  
Graduation, 10 00  
Good board and lodging can be had near the Col-  
lege at \$40 \$5 per week. Any further informa-  
tion will be furnished promptly by addressing  
J. G. WESTMORELAND, Dean,  
Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 6, 1873.

## An Entertaining Coroner.

Butcher, when we knew him, was Coroner  
up in Williamsport. Business that  
winter was dreadful dull. No body died  
suddenly or was drowned, or murdered,  
and Butcher not only had nothing to do,  
but he made no fees, and was poor as Walt  
Whitman's poetry. Suddenly a mania for  
committing suicide by poison seemed to  
break out among the people. Mrs. Brown  
felt herself with strychnine; both the Smith  
girls stuffed themselves with arsenic; Aleck  
Jones took a dose of landanum; Johnson's  
colored girl swallowed some bug poison,  
and Mrs. Murphy's little son ate four boxes  
of phosphorus matches. These tragic  
events occurred at intervals of a few days,  
and in each case no sooner were the facts  
discovered than Dr. Bumm was at once  
with his stomach pump. He emptied  
Mrs. Brown all of a sudden; he pumped  
out the Smith girls; he tore the landanum  
out of Jones; he separated the poison from  
the colored girl, and he nearly turned Mrs.  
Murphy's boy wrong side out. All of them  
recovered. The coroner viewed these pro-  
ceedings with regret. He went to Bumm  
and suggested that he would give \$100 if  
the doctor would close out his pump, and  
\$50 dollars more if he would go out of town  
for three or four weeks. The coroner said  
he did not wish to seem important or ob-  
trusive, but was tired of having doctors  
meddle with his business. Then Dr. Bumm  
affirmed that he would not only not sell and  
not leave town, but when the next poison-  
ing case occurred he would buy a steam  
engine, attach it to the machine, and pump  
the patient throughout the unending ages  
of all eternity if he wanted to. That night  
Butcher bribed the doctor's boy to bring  
him the pump for a few minutes. Then he  
rubbed some nitro glycerin around the end  
of the piston and sent it back. The next  
day Mary Jane McGuire took oxalic acid.  
The doctor came; he inserted the appar-  
atus down her throat and plunged the pis-  
ton down. A snap, a shriek, a loud explo-  
sion, and Mary Jane, oh! where was she?  
Forty-seven pieces of her were found, and  
they picked up twelve fragments of the  
doctor, so the coroner had a chance for fifty-  
nine inquests, the fees of which enabled  
him to buy a barrel of flour, get his wagon  
fixed, and give his wife a pink silk dress.  
He was the most enterprising coroner they  
had in Williamsport.—*Philadelphia Satur-  
day Evening Post.*

**SOMEWHAT OF A ROMANCE.**—A few  
years ago, a well-to-do gentleman in the  
Western portion of our State died, leaving  
an estate valued at some five or six thou-  
sand dollars, and two children, both boys,  
and a provision in his will that his entire  
property was to be sold and converted into  
money, equally divided and placed to the  
credit of his sons, but his administrator  
was not to turn it over to them, which  
amounted to about twenty-five hundred  
dollars, until each of them could show a  
like amount. The boys, like sensible men,  
went to work with a will, instead of re-  
ceiving their father's hard earned substance  
and squandering it foolishly, to earn the re-  
quired amount. They turned their attention  
to agricultural pursuits, but finding that a  
sure but slow business, disposed of their  
farm and concluded to turn tobacco peddlers,  
which was more profitable. Purchasing a  
stock they started out, and with economy  
and perseverance one of the boys has real-  
ized his hopes, and passed through this city  
a few days ago en route home, with his  
twenty-five hundred in his pocket, to cover  
the portion left him by his father. He  
said that his other brother would follow  
him in a few days, as his present stock of  
tobacco would make up his quota. That  
old gentleman's head was level, and he  
would commend his example for other pa-  
rents to follow in disposing of their prop-  
erty by "last will and testament."—*Raleigh  
News.*

**THE REWARD OF POLITENESS.**—Polite-  
ness to the aged, it appears, pays. In  
Bennington, Vt., there is a young man  
named Carr, who has been uniformly kind  
and respectful to an old gentleman named  
Cunningham. This old gentleman was re-  
puted to be poor, as he was no more than a  
day laborer. But the other day the kind  
and respectful young person was most  
agreeably thunder-struck, for he was pre-  
sented by the grateful old gentleman with  
the deed of a farm worth \$12,000. So it  
appears that the old gentleman named Cun-  
ningham was a (pecuniary) angel in dis-  
guise. Moral: Be good to old people al-  
ways and under any circumstances.

**GEORGIA GIRLS COMPETING AS COOKS.**—  
The Atlanta Constitution, referring to the  
Georgia State Fair, says:  
"The great contest of the Rome Fair has  
been that a premium for the best dinner,  
the result of the contest has been looked  
to with eager interest, and the awards were  
delivered amid rousing excitement. The  
best cook among these contending charmers  
was decided to be Miss Hattie J. Johnson,  
to whom was awarded the first premium in  
shape of the John B. Gordon cooking  
stove. To Miss Octavia Shropshire was  
given the second premium. This second  
premium was the R. E. Lee stove offered  
by Messrs. Seay & Walker. The commit-  
tee held it hard to decide. They recom-  
mended that twenty dollars be given to  
Miss Alice Camp, a twenty-year old girl,  
for the very excellent dinner she concocted.  
They also recommended ten dollars to Miss  
E. S. Shropshire. The awarding of the  
premiums was very exciting."

**NOTICE.**  
We find the following item going  
the rounds of our exchanges, and republish  
it for what it may be worth: "A simple  
cure for rheumatism, is to boil a small pot-  
ful of potatoes and bathe the part affected  
with the water in which the potatoes were  
boiled as hot as can be applied immediately  
before going to bed. The pains will be re-  
moved, or at least alleviated by the next  
morning. Some of the most obstinate  
rheumatic pains have lately been cured by  
one application of this novel and simple  
remedy."

**NOTICE.**  
A correspondent wants to know  
what kind of a hand would be the best to  
accompany a lady vocalist in giving con-  
certs around the country? A husband,  
most decidedly.

**NOTICE.**  
A cynical lady, rather inclined to  
flirt, says most men are like a cold—very  
easy caught, but hard to get rid of.

## How to Make a Mustard Plaster.

How many people are there who really  
know how to make a mustard plaster?  
Not one in a hundred, at the most, perhaps,  
and yet mustard plasters are used in every  
family, and physicians prescribe their ap-  
plication, never telling any body how to  
make them, for the simple reason that the  
doctors themselves do not know, as a rule.  
The ordinary way is to mix the mustard  
with water, tempering it with a little flour,  
but such a plaster as that makes it simply  
abominable. Before it has half done its  
work it begins to blister the patient, and  
leaves him finally with a painful, flayed  
spot, after having produced far less effect  
in a beneficial way than was intended.  
Now, a mustard plaster should never make  
a blister at all. If a blister is wanted there  
are other plasters far better than mustard  
for the purpose. When you make a must-  
ard plaster, then, use no water whatever,  
but mix the mustard with the white of an  
egg, and the result will be a plaster that  
will "draw" perfectly, but will not produce  
a blister, even upon the skin of an infant,  
no matter how long it is allowed to remain  
upon the part. For this we have the word  
of an old and eminent physician, as well as  
our own experience.—*Health and Home.*

## Fat Folks and Thin Folks.

Obesity has been regarded in all ages,  
and by nearly all people, as a great misfor-  
tune. Some of the Gentooes enters their  
dwellings by a hole in the roof, and if a  
person is so fat that they cannot get in they  
regard him as an outlaw, swelled out big  
with sin. In China obesity is considered a  
blessing. In that great country a man's  
mind is measured by his corporal bulk.  
Over Dr. Stafford, who was enormously  
fat, they placed the following epitaph:  
"Take heed, oh good traveler, and do not tread hard,  
For here lies Dr. Stafford in all this churchyard."  
Over a corpulent chandler they inscribed  
this epitaph:  
"Here lies in earth an honest fellow,  
Who died by fat and lived by tallow."  
Dr. Beddoes was so stout that a lady  
friend used to call him the "walking father  
bed."

At the court of Louis XV., there were  
two very fat noblemen—consins. The king  
called one of them on his corpulency, and  
added, "I suppose you take little or no ex-  
ercise?"  
"Your majesty will pardon me," replied  
the duke, "for I generally walk two or  
three times around my cousin every morn-  
ing."

Many remedies have been resorted to;  
vinegar and other acids have been used.  
Dr. Fleming advised the swallowing of a  
quarter of an ounce of common Castile soap  
every night.  
Darwin thinks that salt and salt meat are  
very efficacious.  
Mr. Banting, an Englishman, became  
very fat, and strove by all sorts of means  
to rid himself of his incumbrance, and at  
last hit upon a method, which he took great  
pains to communicate to others. This was,  
to live exclusively on meat.

In 1863 Mr. Banting published a pamph-  
let giving the secret of his relief. He tells  
that the sorts of food which he particu-  
larly advises fat people to avoid are "but-  
ter, sugar, potatoes, milk and beer." He  
urges that there need be no stint in quanti-  
ty. The only thing requiring attention is  
the quality. He argues with much force  
and spirit against sugar and other sweet  
things. He thinks that saccharine matter  
is of all the food the most fattening.

Banting's system has attracted consider-  
able attention. Thousands of the waddling  
Germans have tried it, but now few believe  
in it, not that it will not reduce the flesh—  
for it will certainly do that—but because it  
reduces it by producing a diseased con-  
dition, particularly of the kidneys. Many  
grave cases of the kidneys produced by the  
Banting system are reported from Ger-  
many.

The only safe and effective treatment of  
obesity is a reduction in the quality of the  
usual food, and increase of exercises, and  
a reduction of the hours of sleep. This  
should be gradually pushed until the re-  
duction in weight is one or two pounds a  
week. This cannot fail, and will invariably  
improve his health