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The Hon, William E. Dodge, in his recent lecture on "Old New York," or New York as it was fifty years ago, when he was a young man of twenty-five years, gave the

following financial advice to young men: "All young men should aim to save something, even at the expense of a limited wardrobe and many little things they think necessary. If there were none but young men here, I would say that from the first year when I entered a store, with a salary of fifty dollars, to my last year when, as a salesman, I received for those days very large pay, I never failed to save a part; and when I started in business, those savings and my experience were all my capital."

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I wish to sell my Mill property known as "Stewart's Mills," 612 miles South of Charlotte, in Sharon Township. The Mills consist of Flour, Corn and Saw, together with a good Cotton Gin all run by never failing water-power. Sufficient Land will be sold with the Mills if desired. For further particulars address me at Charlotte

or call at the Store of R. M. White. H. K. STEWART. March 5, 1880. tf

# Announcement.

Please suggest as a candidate for Coroner the name of C. S. Sturgeon, who is a one-legged ex-Confederate soldier and deserves the suffrage of CITIZENS. June 4, 1880.

## NOTICE.

North Carolina Railroad Company, Secretary and Treasurer's Office, COMPANY SHOPS, N. C., May 31st, 1880.

The Thirty-first Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the North Carolina Railroad Company will be held in Greensboro, N. C., on the Second Thursday in July, 1880, and the Transfer Books of Stock of said Company will be closed from this date until after the meeting.

P. B. RUFFIN, June 4, 1880

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They are Agents for the PLANTERS' FAVOR-ITE and LONG'S PREPARED CHEMICALS, Fertilizers too well known to need further commendation. Call for the book with testimonials from all sections.

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One of the purest and best. Chemists of national reputation recommend it, such as Prof. Doromus of New York, and others. Sample Package free. Try it. Attention of Physicians called to it. For sale by all leading Grocers.

SCHIFF & GRIER. Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 24, 1879.

AT RIGLER'S Candies—Both Plain and Fancy. We claim that we have as good if not better than

you will find elsewhere, and at prices as low if not lower than you can buy the same in the city. FRUITS, Nuts, Raisins, Citron and Currants, and Seedless Raisins for your Christmas Cake.

The best assortment of Plain and Fancy Crackers ever brought to the city. CANNED GOODS of all descriptions. Here is the place to buy your CAKES AND

BREAD, as we make a specialty of Cakes. Come Respectfully, D. M. RIGLER. Dec. 12 1879.

#### Paint, Varnish, &c. We have the largest and best assorted stock of Paint, Varnish, White-wash and Shoe Brushes in WILSON & BURWELL,

April 16, 1880. Druggists

# PLEASE READ THIS.

Complete Burst of the Great Monopoly.

The following is the latest Price List of Ziegler Bros.' goods, of which a complete line can be

#### J. MOYER'S Boot and Shoe Store, TRADE STREET, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Best Pebble Goat Button Boots, French heel, \$2.75 " Kid Box Toe " " Fox 3.00 " Serge 3.00 " High Cut Kid Lace, " Fox Lace, 3.00 2.50 " Kid Newport Ties, 2.50 " Kid Fox Lace Boots, plain heel, 225 Pebble Goat Congress Boots, 2.50

" Kid Crimp Vamp Cong. boots, plain heel, 3 25 Finest French Kid Button Boots, French heel, 4.00 图 My Stock of Gents' goods cannot be sur-

#### J. MOYER. April 16, 1880. NEW MILLINERY GOODS

passed. Call and see them.

Feb. 6, 1880.

## And New Store. Spring Season, 1880.

MRS. E. GERTRUDE GRAY of Baltimore, PRACTICAL MILLINER, Near the Court House, CHARLOTTE, N. C. March 26, 1880

# TO THE LADIES.

I have just received another nice lot of Fancy Groceries, such as Okra and Tomatoes in Cans (for soup), Buffalo Tongues, Breakfast Bacon, Mince Meat, Apple Butter, Sardines in Tomatoes, the nicest Honey in market and Mushrooms. H. T. BUTLER, Agent,

Old Post Office

# Spring Chickens,

Sweet Petatoes, Dried Apples and Peaches, Pickles | use. Sold only by by the doz. or 100, at S. M. HOWELL'S. May 21, 1880.

## About Public Officers.

It will be interesting news to many to know how many of the Presidents of the United States since the days of Washington were christian men. It runs in my mind that none have been examples of christian forated the temple of fame with bullets from formation just at this juncture to know what rival in the person of Dr. John Ruth, who per cent of these men whom the nation has honored have honored God and His cause. derful skill with the rifle at Shell Mound From great centers go out great influences. Park, Berkeley, in the presence of about 100 spectators, largely composed of local sponsibilities.

Is not this government controlled mainly by men of the world? Will this christian nation, so called, continue to promote men of this stamp? During last year the train stopped at a depot on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad. It was Sabbath even ing. There were some Congressmen in the parlor car—going down South to look into the frauds. What were they doing? Seated by a table drinking and playing cards. but, after the first two or three shots, the Frauds looking after frauds.

The same scene was witnessed by Mr Milburn—"the blind man eloquent"—before The balls were thrown into the air by an the war on a steamboat. It was on the Sabbath day. The Captain invited him to preach. He did so. Before concluding his sermon he specially addressed himself to the Senators and members whom he had seen drinking and playing cards. He asked what would a foreigner think of this government if he were traveling through this country to get an idea of its people, loudly applauded for her steady nerve and &c., if he were to witness card-playing, drinking and profanity among men who make her laws? He frankly told them unless they repented they would all be damned. They respected him for his boldness, and through their influence had him elected

Chaplain on their return to Washington. The press is largely responsible for the elevation of wicked men to official station, ing upon a table. In all these experiments closed longer.

Take our own State government. How many of our Governors have been professed Christians? You will have to go back to antebellum days before you find one. When the wicked rule the people mourn."-N. M. J. in the Durham (N. C.) Methodist Ad-

The value of our commerce last year was \$1,550,000,000, of which only about twenty five per cent was transported in American vessels. We pay an annual tribute of \$75,000,000 to foreign ship owners in the way of freight charges. We cannot build these ships because of the high tariff on building material. Were the tariff properly reformed we could build vessels, give employment to thousands of ship builders, carpenters, lumbermen, iron workers, &c., and keep all this money at home. But the high tariff men say no. And thus they stand in the way of a return to substantial prosperity. Were we freed from the millstone they have placed on our necks, every branch of trade would be on a prosperous footing, and innumerable industries would spring at once into existence.

#### Scarr's Fruit Preservative. By the use of this Preservative all kinds of Fruit can be preserved as fresh as when picked, without the aid of sealed Jars. Perfectly harmless. F. SCARR & CO.

Druggists, near the Court House, May 28, 1880 Charlotte, N. C. Horse Powders. Barker's is the best-good for Cattle, good for

Sheep, good for Hogs and good for Chickens. Only 25 cents a package. DR. T. C. SMITH, April 16, 1880.

# June 182, 1880. This is the usual time for reducing the prices on SUMMER GOODS.

We propose from this date to the close of the season to offer goods at reduced prices. Prints and all Domestic Goods have been re-Our Dress Goods, Lawns, Muslins, White Goods

etc., etc., have been reduced. Every one knows that we always did lead the

Our friends may rest assured that we are fully prepared to meet the market on all Goods. ALEXANDER & HARRIS.

June 4, 1880.

#### Brood Mare. I offer for sale a fine Brood MARE-good farming stock. June 4, 1880. LEROY DAVIDSON.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL Grocers and Confectioners, DEALERS IN

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Tobacco, Cigars, Musical Instruments, &c., CHARLOTTE, N. C. The best stock of Groceries, Confectioneries,

Prize Candies, Toys, Musical Instruments, Strings, Shot, Salt, &c., in the city, will be found at our

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Nov. 7, 1879. Simmons' Hepatic Compound,

OR LIVER CURE Do you suffer with headache? Do you feel dull and languid? Does your appetite fail you? Is in your mouth? Have you dyspepsia or indigestion? If so, take Simmons' Hepatic Compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication of the compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication of the compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication of the compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication of the compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication of the compound immediately begin traveling toward a complication. and get immediate relief. It never fails, as hundreds will testify who have used it and have been benefitted. It is entirely vegetable, certain in its bunch like a lot of eggs in a nest. A sin- and America. effects, and absolutely harmless. One trial will gle stone, removed to a distance of 31 feet, DOWIE & MOISE, convince you. Sole Proprietors, Charleston, S. C.

WILSON & BURWELL, For sale by Druggista, Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C. | iron ore.

# He--No Tea Is pronounced by those who use it to be the best in

Sole Agents for Charlotte. in childhood.

Extraordinary Shooting by a California Marksman.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.

The celebrated Dr. Carver, who left Cali-

fornia about a year ago, and has since perthat none have been examples of christian integrity. It will be a pretty piece of information instat this inneture to know what yesterday gave an exhibition of his wonmay be out before sunrise. 'crack shots," with both the rifle and shot gun. The doctor was accompanied by his wife, a prepossessing lady of medium stature, who also entertained the company by a brief display of her skill in the manipulation of the rifle and pistol. This was Mrs Ruth's first exhibition in public, and she manifested considerable perturbation at first, or as the doctor expressed it, "she was a little skittish upon her first appearance;" nervousness disappeared, and the glass balls were shattered in quick succession. attendant, Mrs Ruth breaking six out of nine. She then perforated a glass ball held in the attendant's hand at a distance of about twenty feet, and repeated the experiment with the hammer of the rifle held and with it the whole pervous system, is of kindness that a school-boy never forgets. downward. She also shattered with a pistol several balls thrown in the air, and also a ball held in the hand. Mrs Ruth was wonderful marksmanship. Dr. Ruth then proceeded to give an explanation of fancy shooting at a glass ball held in the hand of his attendant, he taking aim through his legs with his back to the object. He also held the rifle with the butt resting upon the top of his head, the hammer pointing downward. He also shot with his back reclinand the pulpit ought not to keep her mouth he was successful in the first attempt. He also performed the Austin brothers' mirror trick successfully. Turning his back to the attendant, he sighted the rifle by the aid of a hand mirror, and broke the ball at the first trial. Perhaps the most wonderful, ing considerable nerve on the part of both retiring to bed at any early hour, winter trick that he accomplished, and one requipand summer. himself and attendant, was shooting a cigar out of the mouth of the latter, an experiment which led many to predict that the Doctor's assistant would not live to a very green old age. Another interesting experiment was shooting without a sight, that essential adjunct being covered by a piece of card-board placed around the barrel at its the wonderful performances and daring extremity. The absence of the sight apparently made no difference, as the destruc- father, recently deceased at the advanced tion of the vitreous spheres continued una- age of ninety, well remembered him, havbated. The following experiments were

> a ball from the head of an attendant, the latter being blindfolded; the same feat with the bandages removed from the attendant's placed Lack of the neck. In none of these shots did the Doctor fail to shatter the balls from the head of the attendant. One The most marvelous feats performed was the following: Placing a glass ball upon the ground, the Doctor shot in front of it, sion, and, before it reached the ground, as fast as the attendant could throw them into the air. All those present expressed much astonishment at Dr. Ruth's skill, and being his intention to make a tour of the States with his wife, and give exhibitions during the coming Summer, and in the Fall he will either depart for Europe or

also successfully accomplished: Shooting

Australia. Senator Williams of Kentucky, made speech in behalf of the Mexican veterans. He gave the following interesting historical incident:

"After showing that the gallant soldiers, who never lost a battle from the Rio Grande to the City of Mexico, and who added a vast territory to the United States, deserved a pension, he proceeded to give them credit for the humanity with which they treated the conquered. He stated that he was at a humanity, which outweigh all the grumb- Master, though the Dean and Chapter of banquet in the City of Mexico when a paper ling of all the grumblers, so that it is really Westminster can exercise a certain control signed by hundreds of leading Mexicans only the finest dust in the balance. Let us was handed General Scott, tendering him be fair and cheerful. The world is not all sovereign of England is by the statutes He told how Gen. Scott declined, and added that it would have been well for the Mexicans if he had accepted, for two-thirds of Tobacco, Cigars, Snuff, Wooden-Ware, Paper Bags, Cans if he had accepted, for two-thirds of Canned Goods, Glass Jellies, Crackers, Powder, the American volunteers would have remained there, and by this time Mexico, instead of having 8,000,000, would have a population of 20,000,000.

upon being released, returns to the heap,

# Go to Bed Early.

that the system will take, without artificial do not know that within its ancient and means, is the balm of life-without it there splendid walls the Kings of England are or young children, of a morning-it is a perhaps, are aware that the Abbey also barbarity; let them wake of themselves; contains the oldest and one of the most falet the care rather be to establish an hour mous boys' schools in the world. It is true for retiring, so early that their fullest sleep | that the statutes of the school, as they now Do not hurry up the young and the weakly. Iramed by Henry the Eighth and Elizabeth It is no advantage to pull them out of bed |-but they no more represent the origin of as soon as their eyes are open, nor is it best for the studious, or even for the well who represents the origin of the English Church. have passed an unusually fatiguing day to jump out of bed the moment they wake up; let them remain, without going to sleep again, until the sense of weariness passes from their limbs. Nature abhors two minster School. It was, without doubt, things; violence and a vacuum. The sun does not break out at once into the glare of the meridian. The diurnal flowers unfold tended; for he tells us that Queen Edith

themselves by slow degrees; nor fleetest beast, nor sprightliest bird, leaps at once from its resting-place. By sil of which we mean to say, that as no physiological truth is more demonstrable than that the brain, royal larder to refresh himself—two forms recuperated by sleep, it is of the first im- Ingulphus afterward became the Secretary portance, as to the well-being of the human system, that it have is fullest measure of it; there was no glazing to this cloister, and and to that end, the habit of retiring to bed early should be hade imperative on all pitilessly over the novices turning and children, and no rdinary event should be allowed to interfere with it. Its moral indeed, a carpet of hay or rushes, and mats healthfulness is not less important than its were laid on the stone benches, but it must physical. Many a young man, many a have been a bitterly cold school-room in young woman, has made the first step to- winter. wards degradation, and crime, and disease, the year round, the old, the middle-aged, and the young, should be in bed; and then the early rising will take care of itself, with the incalculable accompaniment of a fullyrested body and a renovated brain. We repeat it, there is neither wisdom, nor health, in early rising in itself; but there is all of them in the persistent practice of

Peter Francisco. The allusion in a recent letter of your Louisa correspondent to the old Revolutionary giant hero, Peter Francisco, revives many traditions and reminiscences of deeds of that extraordinary man. My ing frequently seen him in his native county of Buckingham, Va., and related many anecdotes of his stirring and perilous adventures and hair breadth escapes as he heard the recital fall from the lips of the eyes, and the latter looking into the muzzle giant himself. He describes him as six feet of a rifle. Que-hand shooting with a small one inch in height, his weight two hunrifle, manipulated in a variety of difficult dred and sixty pounds, bold and manly and ways, holding the rifle with the hands his hands and feet uncommonly large, his thumbs being as large as an ordinary man's wrist. Such was his personal strength that he could easily shoulder a cannon weighing 1,100 pounds, and he had seen him take a man in his right hand, pass over the floor and dance his head against the ceiling with and plowing under it, sent it flying several as much ease as if he had been a doll-baby. feet in the air by the force of the concus- The man's weight was 195 pounds. Partaking of the patriotic enthusiasm of the another shot broke it into a thousand times, he entered the American revolutionpieces. An exhibition of rapid shooting ary army at the age of 16. He was preswas given, the Doctor breaking the balls ent at the storming of Stony Point, and was the first soldier, after Maj. Gibbon, who entered the fortress, on which occasion he received a bayonet wound in the thigh. it seemed to be the general verdict that He was at Brandywine, Mammoth and Carver's proficiency with the rifle was other battles at the North, and was transsecondary to that of Dr. Ruth, who uses a ferred to the South under Gen. Green, forty-four calibre Winchester rifle, which where he was engaged in the actions of the was presented to him by the manufactur- Cowpens, Camden, Guilford Court House, ers. He will soon depart for the East, it etc. He was so brave and possessed such confidence in his prowess that he was positively fearless. He used a sword with a blade five feet long, which he could wield like a feather, and every swordsman who came within reach of him paid the forfeit

> of his life. for it. It is easy to say that the church gree. The Queen's Scholars are partially would be all right if the minister would maintained by the school; but all other easy to look on the best side, to see that about one hundred and fifty, pay very handthere are hundreds of faithful preachers, somely for their education. thousands of honest, sincere men and women, countless acts of justice, charity and wrong. Everybody isn't a rascal. neighbors are not trying to cheat us. The church is doing a good work for the world, and even the growlers are not half as disa- ly treated by three of the other scholars, greeable as they seem.

The various branches of the Methodis church have decided on holding an Ecumenical Council of Methodism at Lon-TRAVELING STONES IN NEVADA .- The don, in August, 1881. There will be four curious traveling stones of Australia are hundred delegates, two hundred from the paralleled in Nevada. They are described United States, and two hundred from Great as almost perfectly round and about as Britain and other countries. Bishop Simplarge as a walnut. When distributed about son is chairman of the Western section of your liver out of order? Have you a metallic taste upon a floor, table or other level surface, the Church, and Bishop McTyeire of the immediately begin traveling toward a com- shief object will be to establish fraternal mon center and there lie huddled up in a relations between Methodists of Europe

Sensible.—The announcement is made but if taken away 4 or 5 feet remains mo- in the newspapers that Lady Thornton, tionless. They are composed of magnetic (wife of the British Minister.) has taken a stand in Washington against the style of writing up social entertainments indulged Childhood, knowing nothing of the in by some newspapers. She says that no in the dark, ran against a post. "I wish future, imagines it is to be the "golden age," one shall publish a description of a lady's and mankind, having failed to find perfect happiness, imagines that it is only attained of being denied the opportunity of doing where else," said a bystander. "You might so the second time.

# The Boy's' Schools of England.

To all young persons, to students, to the I suppose there are few boys who have sedentary, and to invalids, the fullest sleep not heard of Westminster Abbey, and who exist, are of a less remote date than those Another item of very great importance is: of Eaton and Winchester schools-being Westminster School than the Reformation

Westminster Abbey was built by Edward the Confessor, and the Master of the Novices sitting with his disciples in the western cloister was the beginning of Westthis school that Ingulphus—the writer of a famous chronicle (A. D. 1045-1051)—atoften met him coming from school, and questioned him about his grammar and logic, and always gave him three or four pieces of money, and then sent him to the of William the Conqueror. In his day spelling out their manuscripts. They had,

At the Reformation, Henry the Eighth rew up new plans for Westminster Sc and Elizabeth perfected the statutes by which the school is still governed. It was to consist of forty boys, who were to be chosen for their "good disposition, knowledge, and poverty, and without favor or partiality;" and even at the present day there is no admission as a "Queen's Scholar" at Westminster except by long and arduous competition between the candidates for the honor.

No one who has witnessed the mode of election will ever forget it. The candidates are arranged according to their paces in the school, and the lowest two boys first enter the arena. The lower of these two is the challenger. He calls upon his adversary to translate an epigram, to parse it, or to answer any grammatical question connected with the subject. Demand after demand is made, until there is an error. The Master is appealed to, and answers, "It was a mistake." Then the challenger and the challenged change places, and the latter, with fierce eagerness, renews the contest. Whichever of the two is the conqueror, flushed with victory, then turns to the boy above him, and if he be a really clever lad, he will sometimes advance ten, fifteen, or twenty steps before he is stopped by a greater spirit. This struggle-which is peculiar to Westminster, and highly prized by its scholars-frequently extends over six or eight weeks, and the ten who are highest at its close are elected "Queen's Scholars," in place of those advanced that year from Westminster to Oxford or Cam-

This mental tournament is a very ancient custom, for Stow says that the Westminster scholars annually stood under a great tree in St. Bartholome's Church yard, and entering the lists of grammar, chivalrously asserted the intellectual superiority of Westminster against all comers; and Stow, as you very likely know, died about A. D. 1600. There is, therefore, as you may see, a very great honor in being a "Queen's Scholar;" besides which, the prizes to be divided among them are very valuable. These consist of three junior studentships of Christ Church, Oxford, tenable for seven years, and worth about £120 a year; Dr. Carey's Benefaction, which divides £600 a year among the most needy and industrious of the scholars in sums of not less than £50, and not more than £100; and three exhibi-THINGS EASY AND NOT EASY .- It is the tions at Trinity College, Cambridge, of easiest thing in the world to find fault. It | yearly value about £87, tenable until the is easy to say that the church is to blame holder has taken his Bachelor of Arts depreach and do as he ought. But it isn't boys, of which the average number is

The government of this school is an absolute monarchy in the hands of the Head-Visitor of the School. In 1846 the father of one of the Queen's Scholars complained to her Majesty that his boy had been crueland she ordered an immediate trial, and punishment of the guilty parties.

Westminster, from its earliest records, has been famous for its Masters. Before the great Camden—the Pausanias of England-were Alexander Nowell, Nicholas Udall, and Thomas Browne. Nowell was Master in Queen Mary's reign, and Bonner intending to burn him, he fled for his life. On Elizabeth's accession he again became Master, and was also one of Elizabeth's preachers, and reproved her so plainly that on one occasion she bade him "return to his text." You know, boys, it is so easy and so natural for school-masters to tell people when they are wrong, and the Masters of Westminster have been noted for the habit, -Amelia E. Barr in Harper's Magazine.

A man, passing through a gateway run against it again, you know?"