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FRIDAY, January 1, 1909.

THE NEW YEAR.

The old year with its pleasures and sorrows, its successes and failures, is gone and a thing of the past, and we this day enter upon a New Year. As we look back over the year's work, our mind's eye falls upon many things said and done that should have been unsaid and left undone, and also many important things that should have been done, but were not, loom up before us, and cause us to almost exclaim aloud, "Oh what a villain, I am!" But let's try to forget the past, especially the unpleasant part, and with the incoming of this New Year make new resolutions to make it one of the best in our lives, in every way. Look on the bright side, work on the bright side and keep on the right side.

PROBABLY the good natured man is imposed upon, but doubts being good natured is worth it.

We often hear it stated that the law holds that a man is innocent until it has been proved that he is guilty. The exception seems to be in cases of great magnates. There it holds they are innocent until they have been proved guilty so often and by so many courts that the public loses interest in them.

THE FEDERAL JUDGESHIP.

There is a great struggle now going on between Republican lawyers and their followers in this state, for the appointment to the vacant Judgeship, caused by the death of Judge T. R. Purnell. The organization, backed by E. C. Duncan, seems to be for ex-Judge Adams, while a great many on the outside are for their favorites. It is intimated from Washington that the President will not go out of the district, and that Harry Skinner, the present District Attorney, has the strongest and most substantial backing. Of course this promiscuous endorsing business by this and that bar, isn't worth a hurrah. Federal Judges are generally appointed by Republican Presidents to gratify the "interests," and the candidates who get the "O. K." of Pierpont Morgan & Co. will receive the "good fat job." Wire the "Mogul" boys and signify your undying love for "government by injunction," and you may stand some show. Act quick, and convince the "Lords and Masters" and save yourselves the trouble of all this "endorsing."

MAKE IT A ROAD OFFENSE.

The Mt. Airy News makes an important comment in the following: At the term of court held in Durham last week sixty people were sent to the county roads. That means that all these persons are to wear stripes and go down through life with the brand upon them—the people never forget that a man once wore the stripes. And it means more—it means that the children and the grand children of these people will be known as the descendants of one who was once a criminal.

And like conditions exist in many of the counties of the state. We believe that the carrying of concealed weapons is largely responsible for so much crime and that if the judges would send every man who was convicted of being an habitual pistol carrier to the roads for thirty days it would largely do away with this habit and thus do away with much of the crime that is committed.

It is interesting to study the development of character in a boy. Did you ever think about it? A boy when he puts on long pants, "cast eyes" at the girls and go to church with them at night. Then he begins to keep company with the sure enough grown up boys. Then it is that he begins to plan for the future and think how he is to make a liv-

ing. He thinks about watches and horses and going west or to college. But about the time a boy has been with the girls to church a half dozen times let him meet up with some fellow who has a pistol, he straightway trades for one himself and then he begins to associate with the boys who also tote "guns." Most of these fellows know where to buy liquor and how to play cards and your boy, the day he gets his "gun," begins to associate with the bad element in society and is already on the road to ruin.

Make it a road offense to carry a "gun" and you will save many a boy from ruin.

TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE.

A terrible earthquake occurred in the Southern part of Italy on Monday, and it is reported that the loss of life will reach over two hundred thousand souls. A cablegram from Rome, under date of the 30th, says: "As tales of horror are brought north from Calabria and Sicily, where the blight of Monday's earthquake struck in its most terrifying form, the people of Rome are more and more appalled at the breadth of the disaster. Whereas, yesterday 75,000 was considered radical as an estimate of the casualties, today statisticians are predicting a death list of from 100,000 to 200,000."

It is quite impossible to figure on the actual money loss. It will go far into millions and it will be many years before Southern Italy again regains the commercial and architectural conditions which has been wiped away.

Business throughout Italy is at a standstill. Commerce is dead."

Let My Studio Come to You.

If you cannot come to my studio to be photographed, I will come to your home. I can make you a portrait in your home equal to anything that can be made in the studio. Terms on application. J. S. COBB, Photographer, Louisburg, N. C.

Sales Agent Wanted.

To act as agent in selling our high grade Dress Goods, Silks and Waistings which almost sell themselves. We carry a large line of beautiful fabrics and our prices are low and patterns are exclusive. Any woman of average ability can earn \$25.00 or more weekly handling our line. If you are dissatisfied with present employment, write us for particulars of our liberal commission offer. No capital required. Samples and sample case free. Address—Dept. 10, National Dress Goods Co., 250 West Broadway, New York, N. Y.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Louisburg Wagon Company will be held in the office of M. S. Davis, over First National Bank, on Wednesday, January 6th, 1909, at 1 o'clock p. m. IVEY ALLEN, Sec'y.

JP Winston

Has Gone North.

And gracious knows what he will buy while there, but one thing sure he will bring back a car load of clothing.

Many thanks to the boys for buying all that I had in winter clothing this fall.

I am going to sell a car load yet, this winter. Be in by next Monday. Prices cheaper than ever as it is later. Wishing you a happy new year, I am

Yours truly

J. P. WINSTON

Important Notice to town Tax-Payers

It is ordered by the Board of Commissioners of the town of Louisburg, that Tax Collector, D. C. High, be instructed to collect one half of all taxes by Dec. 20th 1908 and the remaining half by Feb. 1st 1909

By order of the Board,

M. S. CLIFTON, Clerk.

Group positively stopped in 20 minutes, with Dr. Shoop's Group Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Sold by The Boddie-Perry Drug Co.

WANTED—Second hand bags and burlap; any kind, any quantity, anywhere; we pay freight. Richmond Bag Co., Richmond, Va.

Executor's Notice to Creditors

Having qualified as executor of the will of Geo. K. Leonard, deceased late of Franklin county N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of December, 1908, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This Dec. 18th, 1908. A. S. J. Hamlet Ex'r of Geo. K. Leonard, deceased.

Mortgage Sale of Fine Pair of Young Mules.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in that certain mortgage made by A. K. Tant and wife, Penny Tant, and Penny Wilder, on January 19th, 1906, to Sanders & Sons, and duly recorded in the Registry of Franklin County in Book No 147 page 571, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and the power of sale having become absolute, the undersigned will, on Thursday, January 15th, 1909, at the noon recess of Court, at the Court House Door in Louisburg, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, the following described personal property in said mortgage conveyed.

One Grey mare mule now about 7 years old, one Grey mare mule now about 6 years old. These mules are sound and well broken and good farm animals.

This Dec. 30th., 1908. Sanders & Sons, Mortgagees, to the use of T. J. Harris, transferee of the indebtedness. WM. H. RUFFIN, Atty.

Sale of Land and Valuable Pair Mules.

By virtue of the power of sale conferred upon me in a certain deed of trust executed by Jno J. Wheeler and wife to B. T. Holden, trustee, and duly recorded in Franklin County Registry, Book 155 at page 439; default having been made and the power of sale become absolute, the undersigned will, at request of the owner of the bond, on Monday the first day of February, 1909, at about the hour of noon, sell at the Court house door in Louisburg, N. C., at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate and personal property, to-wit:—

A one-seventh (1-7) undivided interest in and to the "Old J. J. Wheeler Home tract" of land, lying and being in the County and State aforesaid, in Harris Township and containing 135 acres, the same being particularly described in said deed of trust; Also one Iron Gray Mare Mule and one Bay Mare Mule to match, each six years old.

This December 29th, 1908. B. T. HOLDEN, Trustee.

CHANGE IN BUSINESS

Strickland & Wheless

WILL MAKE A CHANGE IN THEIR BUSINESS FEBRUARY 1st,

And with this in view they desire to make a complete settlement with every name on their books, on or before that date. The business will be continued, but every account now on the books that is not settled by February 1st, will be placed in the hands of an Attorney. This is simply business.

Both members of the firm highly appreciate the liberal patronage that has been theirs since embarking in the business, and they wish to take this opportunity of returning their sincere thanks for the same.

Now wishing all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and hoping to have a prompt response from every one, we are.

YOUR FRIENDS,

STRICKLAND & WHELESS
LOUISBURG'S CLOTHIERS.

HORSES AND MULES AND 1909

I am going west Saturday, January 3, 1909, and buy about 100 head of horses and mules. I am not going to see how cheap I can buy them, but am going to buy the best I can find—sound, young and broke and I am going to let you boys have them on time.

Don't that Sound Like Good Talk?

This stock will arrive in Louisburg on or about January 15th. Don't buy until you see them.

The old saying "there's a horse for every man, and a man for every horse" is as true as gospel. So come and inspect this stock when it arrives and if you find anything that suits you, wink your left eye, and I'll tell you in two seconds what I'll do.

Thanking you for past patronage and wishing you all—especially my old customers—a prosperous and happy New Year.

Yours Very truly,

K P HILL

P. S.—I am still handling buggies, wagons and harness which I am selling on space.

ALSTON CO.

We Thank Every Customer

for their liberal patronage during 1908 and hope we may still serve you in 1909.

ALSTON CO

Always the Cheapest Store.

A Happy and a Prosperous New Year

That they will have a happy and a prosperous new year during 1909, are the sincere wishes of

F. N. & R. Z. EGERTON

for all their friends and customers. We thank you for your past patronage, and ask a continuance of the same. We are offering clean up bargains every day.

1908.

We desire to get all of our 1908 business settled up as rapidly as possible. Our past due accounts must be settled, so if you owe us we hope you will give us your immediate attention. It has been a pleasure for us to give you time, and now we want you to help us.

Respectfully your friends,

F. N. & R. Z. Egerton