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The question has probably been asked thousands of times: "How can Brown's Iron Bitters cure every ailment?" Well, it doesn't. It cures every disease...

RACKET STORE.

THE GREAT BARGAIN STORE OF RALEIGH.

I have just returned from New York, where I have purchased the largest and cheapest stock of goods ever brought to the Racket. Just as we have said all the time, goods cheap enough will sell themselves.

NEWS OBSERVATIONS.

The trial of the Exchange national bank cases, at Norfolk, has been postponed until November. The conscience fund in the treasury at Washington is approaching the round sum of a quarter of a million dollars.

A subscription of \$10,000 to the Randolph-Macon college endowment fund has been made by a North Carolina farmer, it is reported. Who is he? Mrs. Frank Leslie is disposed to be melancholy because, as she says, she "lives a man's life without a man's enjoyments."

Three Massachusetts policemen have been suspended for blowing beans into the salvation army. The Massachusetts does not tolerate the use of this noble article of diet as ammunition.

The Financial Chronicle's list of seventy-three railroads shows an aggregate gross earning of \$24,939,906 in August, 1886, against \$21,190,661 in August, 1885, a gain of \$3,749,245, or about 18 per cent, or an increase of about 4 per cent on the mileage operated.

Mrs. Grant has invited Mrs. Cleveland and the President to stop at her home at Elberon on their return from the Adirondacks, to which Mrs. Cleveland responded, thanking her for the courtesy, and regretting that important business would make it necessary for the President to return direct to Washington.

New Orleans congratulates herself that she cannot be earthquake, because she stands on a sort of cushion of mud and water. Atlanta has a base of granite to which she looks for safety. The truth is that the residents of both these places should pack up at once and settle themselves here on the old reliable red clay of the metropolis of North Carolina.

The Knights of Labor at Augusta, Ga., have received over ten thousand dollars to date; sufficient, it is reported, to pay off the debts contracted by the hands of the Augusta factory for the last ten weeks. No money has yet been received for the hands in other mills, but secretary Turner, from headquarters in Philadelphia, writes that the Knights will take care of the Augusta operatives.

Within the last decade China has taught Russia that she intends, at all costs, to maintain her rights; France that an invasion of Chinese territory is neither glorious nor profitable, and England that it is better to have her as a friend than as an enemy. All this, it is said, is due to the fact that recently a Chinaman, some Chang or Chan, of extraordinary ability, has been made prime minister.

The Christians and Warm Springs Apache Indians of the San Carlos reservation in Arizona, to the number of 460, have been started to Florida, guarded by three companies of soldiers. They had not been on the warpath, but were furnishing ammunition to the hostiles, and there was no telling when they might break out. For this reason it was deemed best to clip their claws before they had scratched any one.

Louisville is taking great advantage of the fact that the Post says that the fashion this year will be "not for the gentlemen to escort the ladies to parties, but for the ladies to go accompanied by chaperons and meet the gentlemen at the house of the host." A club has been formed for promoting this innovation in Western society ways.

THE SHAKEN CITY

THE WORK OF RELIEF AT CHARLESTON.

THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THAT MATTER.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The total net receipts of cotton are as follows: Galveston, 55,913; New Orleans, 20,509; Mobile, 1,475; Savannah, 33,467; Charleston, 10,351; Wilmington, 744; Norfolk, 1,436; Baltimore, 327; New York, 49; Boston, 13; Philadelphia, 485; West Point, 355; Brunswick, 209; Port Royal, 90; Pensacola, 839; total, 126,252.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 1,025,527 bales, of which 662,827 are American; against 1,105,472 and 757,172 respectively last year; receipts at all interior towns 48,360; receipts from the plantations 73,020; crop in sight 126,259.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The clove is the native of the Malacca Islands. The tomato is a native of South America. Sage is a native of the south of Europe.

GREAT STORMS

PLAY HAVOC IN THE WESTERN STATES.

MANY HOUSES DESTROYED AND FINE TOWNS BILY DAMAGED.

LANSING, Mich., Sept. 18.—A hurricane which swept through southwestern Michigan Thursday evening was the most destructive ever known in the State. Lenawee, Clinton, Livingston and Wayne counties were the chief sufferers, but serious damage has been reported at other points. At Brighton barns were blown to pieces, orchards and crops ruined and a new German Lutheran church blown from its foundation.

A Good Outlook for the Iron Trade. PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 18.—The coke syndicate has decided to close down all the works in the Connellsville region Wednesday, until further notice, on account of the falling off in demand. No change has been made in prices, because the present slackening demand is not considered as indicating any change in the volume of the iron trade.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 18.—The great yacht race is the event here today. The course is triangular, about 45 miles long. The signal was given for the start at 10.30. The Galatea crossed the line at 10.32, the Puritan at 10.33 and the Mayflower at 10.42. The latter was half a minute behind at the start.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The Republique Francaise urges the French government to take advantage of the fact that England has her hands full to enforce the French protectorate over Madagascar. "Otherwise," observes that paper, "England when she becomes disengaged will become the mistress of the situation."

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Sept. 18.—All that has been ascertained of the wrecked steamship in Belle Isle strait is that much wreckage has been driven ashore. The ship has not yet been identified. There is no telegraphic communication with Belle Isle strait.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Beach boat Gaudier in the boat race. A Point for the Street Commission. Correspondence of The News and Observer. RALEIGH, Sept. 18th, 1886. In your issue of today I note the fact of the investigation of Mr. Erle Sloan in the effects of the earthquake on the line of the Charleston & Savannah railway, and that a fissure of two thousand feet in length and three and a half inches wide had been reported.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL. St. John's hospital is certainly an institution in which the people of Raleigh should feel a peculiar pride. It is, strictly speaking, the only hospital in the State and it merits the most cordial support. The institution is seldom well provided with funds and is too often conducted in a hand-to-mouth fashion. The earthquake injured the chimneys and two of them will have to be taken down. The roof is greatly in need of repairs. Altogether \$500 is needed at once to put the hospital in the shape it should be in.

A BATHING PLACE. It is quite a queer sight Saturday evenings to go into a store here where snuff is sold as a specialty and watch the negro women and children purchasing it. Everybody has seen the pictures of the London beer saloons, with people of every age standing at the counters, waiting to be served. Just like this was the sight a reporter saw last evening at a snuff store. The place was crowded. There were two pairs of scales, large and small. Pounds upon pounds of snuff were piled upon the shelves. The people who crowded the counter were of course all colored, but of every age and shade of color.

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THE COTTON COMPRESS.

THE RALEIGH COMPRESS COMPANY'S NEW ENTERPRISE.

Since the announcement last week, by the News and Observer that Raleigh was to have a cotton compress, very great interest has been felt by the business public in this new enterprise, which all men of judgment know will very greatly increase the cotton receipts of Raleigh and prove of value in other ways. Last evening Mr. Omega H. Foster, president of the Raleigh compress company, returned from Philadelphia, where he purchased a Morse compress, ninety-inch cylinder, of the very latest and finest pattern.

It stands thirty-four feet in height from the base to the top of the cylinder. All the work is of the very best character. The compress will be shipped in a few days and it will be up and in working order in thirty days. It will be erected at the northwest corner of the cotton platform, where the two railway tracks meet. Its capacity is 1,600 bales a day. The work of compressing will be done in the most thorough manner, equal to the best in the United States. The compress company has a capital of \$50,000.

Raleigh will hereafter buy cotton at compress rates; that is there will be an advance of 1/2 cent a pound. That is a big thing. This market is always a stiff one, very nearly equalling Norfolk in prices, and with this advance it will pay better to ship cotton here than to Norfolk. The compress will do a big business. The shippers here will pay the farmers the advance. After all, the latter are the gainers by Raleigh's new enterprise.

SCHOOL DAYS. THE OPENING OF THE GRADED SCHOOLS. Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock Raleigh's graded schools all reopen, and the nine months term begins, to end about the first week in next June. Prof. Moses has been busy receiving the names of new pupils to be entered at the Centennial school, and has received 115. The number of new ones there by next Tuesday may reach 200. The session opens tomorrow, but the entire day will of a course be devoted to regrading, etc. Of course this will not give one-tenth the trouble that it did last year, when everything had to be done from the start. Now there is system. Last term there were 800 pupils enrolled; this term it looks like 1,000 will be the figure. It is the largest school in the State; certainly there is none better. There are two new teachers. Miss Jean Gale, of this city, and Miss Eliza Pool, of Oxford. By Wednesday everything will be going with the clock-work regularity which characterizes this admirable school. Prof. Moses says he is very anxious to see the street cars in operation, and knows that they will largely increase the attendance at the school and prove of the greatest convenience and comfort.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Edwards, Broughton & Co. make a special announcement with regard to campaign literature. The political season is now beginning. J. R. Ferrall & Co. always tickle the palate with their advertisements. They are receiving new oranges (the first of the season) and lemons. Cakes and crackers of the choicest manufacture are among the specialties. Mr. Edward Fasnach's admirable line of optical goods, which is a specialty, has no superior in the South. He has a complete and carefully selected stock of jewelry, &c. Fred A. Watson is making a specialty of "splashes," at the remarkably low figure of two for 25 cents. The thirty-fourth session of Roanoke college Va., opened Wednesday, the 15th instant, with a large number of students on the ground. North Carolina comes next to Virginia in the number of students.

MR. E. J. HARDIN in his advertisement today discourses of sundry matters of interest to the grocery trade and to housekeepers. Men with capital will be interested in a special advertisement in this issue, of a business opening. A Rather Peculiar Scene. It is quite a queer sight Saturday evenings to go into a store here where snuff is sold as a specialty and watch the negro women and children purchasing it. Everybody has seen the pictures of the London beer saloons, with people of every age standing at the counters, waiting to be served. Just like this was the sight a reporter saw last evening at a snuff store. The place was crowded. There were two pairs of scales, large and small. Pounds upon pounds of snuff were piled upon the shelves. The people who crowded the counter were of course all colored, but of every age and shade of color.

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THE DEMOCRATS OF WAYNE.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS AND OBSERVER. GOLDSBORO, N. C., Sept. 18.

The democratic convention of Wayne county, held today, made the following nominations: senate, W. F. Kornegay; house, J. B. Gardner, C. F. R. Kornegay; sheriff, B. F. Aycock; clerk superior court, W. W. Sloumb; register, W. T. Gardner; treasurer, J. H. Edwards. The utmost harmony prevailed.

THE TOTAL VOTE OF ARKANSAS IN THE SEPTEMBER ELECTION FOOTS UP 143,000. Democratic majority 37,000. The legislature stands: House, democrats 67, republicans and wheelers 23; Senate, 27 democrats, 5 republicans and wheelers.

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