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ALL SORTS.

The Rothschild family has invested over \$2,000,000 in freehold land this year, and land that produces nothing—mere park land.
Senator Thurman advised his son-in-law, Gov. McCormick, not to accept the position of Commissioner General to the Paris Exposition.
A fashionable girl in Boston, and wealthy, has designed, cut, trimmed and made her own wedding dress, taking every stitch herself. The richest point lace, a wedding gift, was the only ornament.
Col. John T. Pettus died at his plantation in Bee county, Texas, in the 79th year of his age. The deceased was one of the original three hundred colonists, who came to Texas with Stephen T. Austin in 1822.
Rev. Norman Atkins has found under a large pine stump, near Musville, N. Y., an ancient axe-head, believed to have been made and used by a race of people who inhabited this country before the Indians.
Mrs. Hardacre says of Elizabeth Cady Stanton's hair: "I suppose she has the prettiest hair in America. Spun glass could not be whiter, fresh snow wreaths were never lighter, thistle down was never softer than the rolls, and rings and tresses of her locks."
Miss Elizabeth Clapham, daughter of a Scottish advocate, is the author of Mr. Sankey's favorite hymn, "The Ninety and Nine." It was written on the impulse of the moment for the *Children's Hour*, a juvenile paper published by her cousin, and with no thought of its future popularity.

STATE ITEMS.

Mr. Richard Wooten, a prominent citizen of Columbus county, died on the 29th ult., in his 80th year.
We see that a good many of our exchanges have copied the article from the *Ages* implicating the mail agent Bourke in the difficulty which recently took place here, but have failed to notice our correction. We hope that such papers will notice our correction, and thus remedy an injustice done a quiet, peaceable and deserving man.—*Wilmington News.*
THE STATE GRANGE.—The State Grange will meet in Greensboro, on business connected with that organization, on Tuesday, the 5th of February next. The different railroads in the State will sell return tickets to all persons wishing to attend the meeting, at reduced rates. All the hotels in Greensboro have agreed to accommodate delegates upon very favorable terms.
THE FAYETTEVILLE RAILROAD.—A meeting of the friends of this road was held on Tuesday night last, at the Court House. The meeting was addressed by Judge Dick, D. F. Caldwell and D. W. C. Benbow. The subscription was increased at the meeting, and yesterday it was stated that a sufficient amount had been subscribed to warrant the statement that the road would certainly be built.—*South State.*
The soil of the upper portion of the county is light and whitish, the very perfection of tobacco land. In the lower portion it is a dark clay, and that section is known as the celebrated "Jersey Settlement." This is the great cotton producing section. The soil is easily improved by fertilizers and retains it well. Lands are very cheap just now, varying in price, according to quality, from \$2 (or even less) to \$10 and \$15 per acre. Good land can be bought for \$8. There are splendid meadows in the county with herbs—blue top and other grasses.—*Dauidson Record.*
The horrible murder of a woman and her daughter, which came to light in Burke county, the deed having been committed by her husband, one Scierist, all the parties hailing from Union county, is exciting deep interest and indignation in the public mind. Scierist has been arrested and confined in jail at Morganton, and will doubtless be hanged (he ought to be burnt) for the dreadful crime. He married the lady one day, at Newton, and murdered her and her daughter the second day afterward, that he might come in possession of her little property. The bodies were first discovered by dogs having scratched them up from the shallow grave made in the woods.—*Statesville American.*

A Startling Performance.

Some time ago I gave an account of an accident that happened to Mr. Hammer, the tragedian, at our little theatre in New Castle, while he was representing the "Demon of the Hartz," and was engaged in descending through the stage to the infernal regions. A supernumerary flashed a barrelful of red fire through the hole as the demon was going down, and five minutes later an underlone demon was being carried home on a stretcher. Well, Mr. Hammer has met with another disaster. Last week the manager put on another entitled, "Wild Bill, or The Secret of the Rocky Mountains," and in this Mr. Hammer was to be tied upon the back of an unbroken horse and sent hurrying over the edge of a precipice. As nobody in town would lend a horse for the purpose, the manager hired a mule from the captain of the canal boat, the Roaring Maria. During the rehearsals the mule did well enough, but on the first night of the play the footlights must have scared it, for as soon as the savages had tied Wild Bill upon its back, instead of charging over the awful bath and canvas precipice, it refused to budge.
And when the Indian chieftain prodded it in the side with a tin spear, it not only let out its heels and kicked that unfortunate brave into the wings, where his spear jammed savagely against the stomach of the prompter, but it scathed its head around and made an earnest effort to chew Wild Bill's legs. Failing in this it stood upon three feet and endeavored to reach up to Mr. Hammer and scrape him off with the hoof of its rear hind leg. The manager then came out and tried to start the mule with a whip.
But it merely began to whet round and round, until the tragedian felt seasick, and then it charged up against the scenery, and kicked a bran new sunset to rags, reduced the entire precipice to splinters, upset two music trees, and finally brought up with one leg entangled in the Sea of Galilee, which was pressed into service on this occasion to represent Salt Lake.
This frightened the mule so that it jerked the Sea of Galilee clear over the stage and went into a fit, during which it tumbled, and after rolling over and over Mr. Hammer three or four times, it plunged into the orchestra, and expired with its hanches in the bass drum and its four legs tearing the fiddle into kindling wood.
When they untied Wild Bill he arose, wiped the blood from his nose with his sleeve, felt his legs to see that they were unbroken, and then went around to an alderman's office and registered an oath never to play anything again but low comedy if he should live 10,000 years. "The Scout of the Rocky Mountains" has been withdrawn, and the captain of the Roaring Maria is about to enter suit for damages to that mule.—*Baltimorean.*

William Ragsdale, the President of Leper community of the Sandwich Islands, is dead. He was in many respects a remarkable man. Many years ago he was an influential lawyer at Honolulu. One night he sat in his office at work, when the chimney of the lamp beside him fell upon his hand, but did not burn him. He picked up the chimney without experiencing any pain and put it back on the lamp. This he repeated several times, and suffering from leprosy, he was afflicted by it. He immediately subjected himself to the rigid examination of a council of Honolulu physicians, and they pronounced him an incurable leper. It was owing to his high social and professional standing that he was not apprehended by the police and exiled. He settled up his business affairs, parted from his wife and children, and went into voluntary exile to the island set apart for those similarly cursed. Here he lived to the time of his death. He was a philanthropist in his way and did much to alleviate the suffering he found around him. Ere long he was elected to the presidency of the community, and as a ruler conducted himself generously and honorably. He tried to divert the minds of his subjects as much as possible from a contemplation of their miseries, by introducing and promoting industries among them whereby they could provide themselves with means to mitigate their abject condition. Ragsdale, in the course of time, married a handsome young woman who had always lived in the community, but had never been afflicted by leprosy. She had previously had two husbands, both of whom died of the loathsome disease. This woman proved a valuable assistant to Ragsdale in the furtherance of his reformatory measures. The death of the President, who has made so wise and beneficent a ruler, is deeply lamented by his people, who know not where to look for a worthy successor to him.

The Russian Court invited Dr. Ayer and family to the Archduke's wedding in the Royal Palace. This distinction was awarded him not only because he was an American, but also because his name as a physician had become favorably known in Russia on its passage round the world.—*Pueblo (Col.) People.*

SOMETHING NEW.—In order to introduce our Big Seed Spring Wheat, The Wheat of Taos, in your locality—single grains measuring 1/8 inch in length—I propose to send a sample of the wheat free of charge, to every subscriber to the paper who will state the name of the newspaper and send a 3 cent stamp to pay postage.
Agents wanted in every county to sell this new wheat.
Address L. L. OSMENT, Cleveland, Tenn.

A Gentle Hint

In our style of climate, with its sudden changes of temperature—rain, wind and sunshine often intermingled in a single day—it is no wonder that our children, friends and relatives are so frequently taken from us by neglected colds, half the deaths resulting directly from this cause. A bottle of Boschee's German Syrup kept about your home for immediate use will prevent serious sickness, a large doctor's bill and perhaps death, by the use of three or four doses. For curing consumption, hemorrhages, pneumonia, severe coughs, croup or any disease of the throat or lungs, its success is simply wonderful, as your druggist will tell you German Syrup is now in use in every town and village on this continent. Sample bottles for trial, 10c; regular size, 75c.

CITY ITEMS.

Board of Aldermen meet next Monday.
Princess street is being improved by the city.
County Commissioners meet Monday, February 4th.
Major Byrnes' life was insured for \$11,000.
Superior Court still in session, Judge Moore presiding.
We had a very hard wind and rain on Wednesday night last.
Coal (warranted the very best) for sale by Worth & Worth.
Stoves of all descriptions, and at prices to suit, can be had at Parker & Taylor's.
Cows seem to be allowed to run at large. We can inform the city authorities that April has not yet arrived.
Messrs. Jas. H. Chabourn & Co. has just finished a very nice two story residence on Red Cross, between Front and Second street.
Don't fail to examine the advertisement of Col. Hedrick, and then purchase your dry goods of him, for he will sell them to you cheap.
The throat of a colored man named Higginbotham, in Leander county, was cut with a razor by another colored man so badly that he is likely to die. Higginbotham was attempting to quell a row.
Maj. Jos. A. Engelhard, Secretary of State, is in the city, looking remarkably well. He seems to enjoy the Raleigh atmosphere largely, or it may be Dr. Blacknell's splendid preparations, that are warranted to cure appetites of long standing.

Mr. John Dawson, the oldest merchant in the city, and we believe in the State, has associated with himself in the hardware business Mr. W. E. Springer, under the firm name of John Dawson & Co. We congratulate Mr. Springer on his success.
Our play-going community is getting very tired of the stage trash which is habitually imposed upon them. Very much of the stage show which appears here is feebly second hand and shabby and is an imposition upon us. We intend to "go for them" by and by unless they keep away from here.

THE COLORED MILITARY.—We notice that the Richmond Dispatch speaks in a very complimentary manner of the soldierly deportment and discipline of Colonel Mabson's Battalion which paraded at Raleigh on January 1st, the anniversary of the emancipation. The Dispatch puts them down as superior to the colored Battalion of Richmond.

A meeting of the stockholders of the W. & W. Railroad was held in this city to take into consideration the failure of the W. C. & A. Railroad to pay the 33 per cent dividend due on the stock of the Wilmington & Weldon road. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Donald McCrae, D. R. Murchison, Wm. Calder, I. B. Grainger, Z. Latimer and W. H. McCrary, were appointed to take such action in the premises as may seem to them most advisable in the interest of the stockholders resident in Wilmington.

PENDER COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT.—Some weeks ago the Commissioners of Pender county declared the Superior Court Clerk's office vacant; thereupon that great and good man, B. K. Bryant, who has had a candidate for some office in the gift of the American people for the last twenty years and has never succeeded in obtaining one, applied to Judge McKay, who is now presiding over another District, for the place, and as the Judge seemed very anxious to appoint some one way, appointed the aforesaid patriot, Bryant. His Honor Judge Moore, who is presiding as Judge of this District, very properly filled the vacancy by the appointment of Mr. A. V. Horrell.

A DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

One of the most unhappy events occurred last Monday which we have ever been compelled to record. Three gentlemen of our city, Major J. A. Byrnes, Dr. E. A. Anderson, and his son William Anderson, went to Masonboro Sound, duck hunting. Anderson was arranging the decoys and Major B. was in a bath house watching for a shot, when to the surprise of the former Byrnes' gun was discharged. On hurrying to the building he heard cries of distress, and on entering found Maj. Byrnes lying prostrate with a terrible gun-shot wound just below the ribs above the abdomen. It appeared from Maj. Byrnes' broken explanation that the gun was at full-cock and that he suddenly leaned upon it to look through an aperture for ducks, when he slipped and the gun exploded. He was as speedily as possible brought to his residence in town, where, suffering excruciating agony, he expired at about 5 o'clock the next morning. The report of the affair had spread wildly at night over the community in which Maj. Byrnes was very favorably known both in business and social circles, and which was only to be shocked in early morning by the announcement of his death.
Major Byrnes came to America at the beginning of the late war from Ireland, where he was born, and accepting a commission in the Confederate army he lost a leg in that service, but afterwards served creditably to the close of hostilities, when he entered into the insurance business in this city, and marrying the daughter of Gen. R. E. Colston, now in the service of the Khedive of Egypt, became an esteemed and valued citizen here. It may be said with truth that his friends were numbered among all classes of our citizens, and that his loss will be deeply felt in business circles where his energy and integrity had rendered him conspicuous. Lightly may the turf rest upon his bosom!

"German Syrup."
No other medicine in the world was ever given such a test of its curative qualities as Boschee's German Syrup. In three years two million four hundred thousand small bottles of this medicine were distributed free of charge of Druggists in this country to those afflicted with Consumption, Asthma, Croup, severe Coughs, Pneumonia and other diseases of the throat and lungs, giving the American people undeniable proof that German Syrup will cure them. The result has been that Druggists in every town and village in the United States are recommending it to their customers. Go to your Druggist, and ask what they know about it.—Sample bottles 10 cents. Regular size 75 cents. Three doses will relieve any case.

When you want to be shaved, don't forget John Wretter's, the champion barber shop of the city.
The following are among the latest rulings of the Postoffice Department:
"No person to whom any publication is sent without his consent or request is a regular subscriber within the meaning of the law."
"A postal card with a printed slip pasted thereon may be transmitted through the mails instead of an unscaled envelope, by the payment of one cent by stamp affixed thereto, provided there is no writing other than the address on the card."
"There is nothing in the postal laws warranting a postmaster's refusing to issue money orders in favor of persons known to be lottery dealers. When called upon to do so, however, postmasters are advised that it would be well to make a written statement of the facts and forward the same to the chief of special agents, Postoffice Department."

SUNDAY SCHOOL TICKETS.—W. & S. R. R. Co. have now ready a Sunday School Ticket, which is good for Sunday School children only, and for which only two cents a ride is charged, or 25 rides for 50 cents.

Quarterly Meeting
Rev. L. S. Burkhead, D. D., Presiding Elder, has made the following appointments for his first round during the present Conference year, for the Wilmington District:
Smithville, at Shalotte, Feb. 2 3
Cokesbury and Coharie Mission, at Bethany, Feb. 9 10
Onslow, at Mt. Lebanon, Feb. 16 17
Elizabeth, at Elizabeth's Chapel, Feb. 23 24
Bladen, at Soule's Chapel, Mar. 2 3
Topsail, at Prospect, Mar. 9 10
Clinton, at Clinton, Mar. 16 17

TO THE DISTRICT STEWARDS OF WILMINGTON DISTRICT, N. C. CONFERENCE.—Dear Brethren: The District Stewards' meeting will be held at the parsonage of the Front Street Church on Friday, March 8th, 1878, at 11 o'clock, A. M., instead of February 5th. Matters over which I have no control compel me to make this change.
L. S. BURKHEAD, P. E., Magnolia, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

CASHMERE AND ALPACCAS,
A New Lot Just Received.
HERDRICK.

Gloves and Corsets.
Good 2 Button Kids, 65 cents; Best 3 Button Kids, \$1 25;
Ladies' and Gents' Buck Gauntlets,
A great variety of Corsets cheap.
HERDRICK.

Bleached Sheetings and Shirts.
4-1 Bleached Cotton, 6 cts. to 12 cts.;
10 and 10 1/2 Bleached Sheetings.
Particular attention called to our Hugo-quot brand of Shirting, very heavy.
HERDRICK.

DRY GOODS.
To close our stock of Winter Dress Goods we offer them at cost. Great bargains may be expected.

Wholesale Buyers
Can do better with us in strictly first-class DRESS GOODS than at any house in the State.
Feb 1st HERDRICK.

BLACKSMITH
AND
HORSE-SHOEING.



I HAVE OPENED A SHOP AT THE corner of Market and Seventeenth streets, where I am prepared to shoe horses and nails, repair carts, wagons, buggies and carriages—both wood and iron work. I hope my old friends will remember me when they have any work in my line. I guarantee satisfaction in price and quality of work.
Feb 1st RICHARD WATERS.

OLD,
TRIED,
AND
TRUE.

People are getting acquainted, and those who are not ought to be with the wonderful merits of that great American Remedy, the

MEXICAN
Mustang Liniment,
FOR MAN AND BEAST.

This liniment very naturally originated in America, where Nature provides in her laboratory such surprising antidotes for the maladies of her children. Its fame has been spreading for 25 years, until now it encircles the habitable globe. The Mexican Mustang Liniment is a matchless remedy for all external ailments of man and beast. To stock owners and farmers it is invaluable. A single bottle often saves a human life or restores the usefulness of an excellent horse, ox, cow, or sheep.
It cures foot-rot, hoof-ail, hollow horn, grub, scurf, scalds, mange, the bites and stings of poisonous reptiles and insects, and every such trouble to stock breeding and ranch life.
It cures every external trouble of horses, such as lameness, scratches, swains, sprains, founder, wind gall, ring bone, etc., etc.
The Mexican Mustang Liniment is the quickest cure in the world for accidents occurring in the family, in the absence of a physician, such as burns, scalds, sprains, cuts, etc., and for rheumatism, and stiffness engendered by exposure. Particularly valuable to miners.
It is the cheapest remedy in the world, for it penetrates the muscle to the bone, and a single application is generally sufficient to cure.
Mexican Mustang Liniment is put up in three sizes of bottles, the larger ones being proportionately much the cheapest. Sold every where.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE
I HAVE THIS DAY GIVEN WILLIAM E. SPRINGER an interest in my HARDWARE BUSINESS. The style of the firm will hereafter be JOHN DAWSON & CO.
JOHN DAWSON.
Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 21, 1878.—Feb 1-1m

COUNTRY MERCHANTS
THAT ARE IN WANT OF CASTINGS, Hoes, Trace Chains, Hames, Collars, Buck-Bands, Sinoles, Spades, Forks, Axes, Grub-Hoes, Hollow-ware and Hardware generally will find it to their interest to go and examine goods and prices at the Old Established Hardware House of
JOHN DAWSON & CO.,
19, 20 and 21 Market St.
Feb 1-1.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MOST HERE.
CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE.
Wise people will keep before them the fact that they can buy the Best Holiday Goods and Family Groceries From
GEORGE MYERS,
11 and 13 South Front Street,
AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

WE CAUTION YOU BEFORE PURCHASING TO TRY TS.
We offer special inducements in COOKING ARTICLES, and Housekeepers will see the necessity of getting the

BEST GOODS FOR THE LEAST MONEY.
The Finest selected Cooking Butter, Wine, Brandy, Citron, Currants, Raisins, Atmore's Celebrated Mince Meat, Plum Pudding.

OUR STOCK IS IMMENSE and THE LARGEST IN THE STATE, and we intend disposing of it during the Holidays.
Pony Whiskey, Blue Grass, Delmonico, Club House, Imported Jamaica Rum, Hennessy and Old Brandy, Cordials, Champagnes, Table Sherries and native Wines.

Our Celebrated BRAND OF LIQUORS are so well known that we only mention them to remind "EVERYBODY" that we have over THREE THOUSAND BOTTLES put up to supply the demand and avoid delay.

Our well known "SWEET MASH," at \$3 00, is perfect and requires no improvement. We offer it against any \$5 00 Whiskey in the State.

300 Barrels and Boxes of Apples, Oranges and Lemons.
800 Boxes Franey Crackers.
3500 Lbs French and Domestic Candies and Fresh Broken Candy.

ASSORTED NUTS, Figs in cartoons, Table Raisins, Muscatel and Seedless Raisins, Shelled Almonds.
100 Boxes FIRE CRACKERS. 50,000 TORPEDOES.

We have on hand a fine lot of IMPORTED CIGARS, and the finest of Clear Havana Domestic Cigars in the State.

Our Three Carts will leave the Store every fifteen minutes to insure prompt delivery.
Put your money out to best advantage, and you can do so only at

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HAIR DRESSING SALOON,
No. 11 NORTH FRONT STREET.
(South of Parcell House.)
Particular attention given to Ladies' and Misses' Hair cutting and shampooing, either at their residences or at the Saloon.
Jan 4 '78.

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TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF WILMINGTON:
IF YOU WANT THE VERY BEST BEEF, PORK, SAUSAGES, &c., &c., &c.
CALL AT
KING'S MARKET,
On Second Street, between Market and Princess streets.
Jan 4 '78 ISAAC W. KING.

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J. VAN SOELEN has opened a first class OYSTER SALOON,
On east side of Second street, second door south of Princess street, where he is always prepared to FURNISH MEALS to his customers and others. Receiving fresh
JOHN DAWSON.
19 North Market street, N. C.
dec 21 '78

HAYDEN & GERHARD'S
Saddles and Harness,
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
Made and Repaired at
Hayden & Gerhardt's
Third St., between Market and Princess,
Jan 15—11

BIGGEST THING OUT.
GRAINS OF WHEAT MEASURING ONE HALF INCH IN LENGTH, SAMPLES FREE, to every Farmer in the United States Greatest Curiosity in Seeds ever seen!
S. Y. HAINES & CO.,
Sweetwater, Tenn.
dec 21 '78

JOHN DAWSON,
HARDWARE MERCHANT.
HAS THE LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTED STOCK OF HARDWARE in this part of the State, IF YOU WANT GOOD GOODS AND LOW PRICES, be sure to call at the old established HARDWARE HOUSE of
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