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Looking Backward

Over the past eight years of our successful business life in Asheville has demonstrated to us the fact that our determination to sell only pure goods, guaranteeing weights and quality, and asking a small profit on everything sold, commends itself to the good sense of purchasers.

Second, That desirable customers cannot be gained by the oft-tried practice of some dealers in cutting prices on a few leading articles, hoping to make it up on something else.

That hard work and close application to business is the price of success.

That our business for 1889 shows an increase over the previous year of 20 per cent., which is very gratifying, and for which we wish to thank our many friends in Asheville and Western North Carolina.

Looking Forward

We are encouraged to enter upon the year before us with renewed energy and a determination to give our customers the benefit of our increased facilities for buying and selling the very finest goods to be had, at small profits.

Our stock is now the largest ever offered in this market and embraces everything in the line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Table Delicacies, Fruits, Grain, Flour, etc. Respectfully,

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Local Briefs

There are one hundred and twenty students at Weaverville College.

Mr. A. L. Carter is convalescing from a recent severe attack of pneumonia.

Charlotte Thompson, in "Jane Eyre," at opera hall, Monday evening, Feb. 3d.

The Asheville Lyceum has been organized with Maj. T. C. Westall as president.

Col. J. A. Branner has returned to the city after a sojourn of several months at Waynesville.

Solicitor J. M. Moody and ex-Solicitor Garland S. Ferguson, of Waynesville, were here yesterday.

Work on the new iron bridge across the French Broad river at Hot Springs has been commenced.

Mr. Ben. W. Morris, of this city, has invented a simple but ingenious device for hanging and curing tobacco.

The Grand Central dining room has been recently greatly beautified. The front of the hotel is to be altered and much plate glass put in.

Patti Rosa, Asheville's favorite actress, will appear in her new play, "Margary Daw," at opera hall, in this city, on Monday evening, February 24th.

The municipal election bribery cases against M. H. Kelley and John Moore, (col.) have been dismissed in the criminal court upon payment of costs.

The grippe continues to get in its work among the citizens of Asheville, and in some cases whole families are down with the pesky Russian disease.

A premium sale of leaf tobacco is advertised to take place at the Alliance Warehouse, in this city, on February 12th. The prizes will be paid in gold.

A. Weber was convicted in the Criminal Court on Tuesday of renting a house to improper persons, and knowing it was to be used for immoral purposes.

Capt. Frank O'Donnell left Asheville on the afternoon train Thursday for New York, where he will remain a few days before sailing for Ireland on the 30th.

Gov. Fowle has been notified of the capture of Albert Campbell, William Harrell and David Harrell, charged with the murder of M. C. Cox, in Mitchell county, some weeks ago.

Capt. H. E. Grimeson, the well-known special agent of the Revenue Service for this district has been transferred to New York. Mr. Ralph Ballin is his successor with headquarters at Greensboro.

Joseph Weichselbaum, formerly a clerk in the Recorder of Deeds' office, Philadelphia, died of consumption in this city on the 25th. His remains were taken to Philadelphia for interment.

William Fore and John Berry are both to have new trials for murder at this term of the Criminal Court. Fore was convicted and granted a new trial; in Berry's case the jury failed to agree.

Prof. E. B. Lewis, late principal of the Academy street graded school, this city, has gone to Chicago, where he will take a special course in the celebrated Normal Park institution, located at Englewood.

Mrs. T. F. Wilson on Monday evening last between the Swannanoa bridge and the first hill top this side found a doctor's case full of medicines. The case may be recovered by applying for information at this office.

Mr. J. L. Perry, a well-known carpenter, died of pneumonia at his residence in Victoria, on the 28th inst., aged about forty-five years. Mr. P. was a native of Pennsylvania and had been a resident of this city about two years.

Mr. William Gordon, a prominent citizen of New Castle, Pa., died at the residence of N. B. Atkinson, Esq., on Haywood street, Tuesday evening, of pneumonia. The remains were taken to Pennsylvania for interment.

Judge Jas. H. Merrimon is presiding at Court in Reidsville, where the trial of Mrs. Morris, a neice of Ex-Gov. Scales, for the alleged murder of her husband, is in progress. The deceased husband, it is said, has relatives here.

Mr. Henry S. Nunn, editor of the Newbern Journal, died at his home in that city on Thursday, 21st inst. He was a good man, a useful citizen, and his loss to his community and to journalism will be sadly felt. Our sympathies go out to the widow and children.

Two colored boys at the Battery Park Hotel, Alfred McElrath and Charles Rickets, quarreled on Tuesday of last week, and McElrath stabbed Rickets, causing his death. The slayer is scarcely over 12 years of age. He was not apprehended for several days, but finally came in and surrendered himself by his lawyers' advice.

A Strong Market.

Large breaks, active bidding and high prices have been conspicuous features of the Asheville tobacco market during the week. At all the warehouses the floors have been crowded with leaf in all grades, and one or two new buyers have entered the field. So far the quality of offerings has not depreciated, and fine wrappers, cutters, smokers and lugs are as plentiful as ever. The weather has been extremely favorable for the handling of tobacco, and increased orders from jobbers and manufacturers through their resident buyers are noticeable. Prices as quoted yesterday are as follows:

Fine wrappers,	$45@50
Fancy wrappers,	60@75
Cutters, best quality,	28@35
Smokers,	25@30
Lugs,	18@24
Fillers,	8@15

Other grades at corresponding figures.

The Asheville Tobacco Journal in its review of the trade for the week says:

"The steady tone of the market causes no change in quotations, and indications point to a firm future demand for all grades with prices to correspond.

"The advent of two new buyers on our market, from Durham and New York will give a new impetus to sales and prices, as these gentlemen came here for good leaf and say they will have it."

Hon. H. A. Gudger.

The Raleigh Evening Visitor thus refers to our townsman: "Hon. H. A. Gudger, of Asheville, N. C., has been in Raleigh during the week in attendance upon the Grand Lodge of Masons. He is the Meputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Mr. Gudger is a prominent and devoted member of the Methodist church and at the recent session of the Holston Conference, of which he was a lay member, he was elected a lay delegate to the General Conference, of his Church and leads his delegation to that honorable body. He will remain in the city over Sunday and, we are glad to announce will deliver a Missionary address at Edenton Street Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. No collection will be taken up, but those who attend may expect to hear a very fine address.

Flying Around the World.

Nellie Bly, the New York World representative, has reached New York after circling the World in 72 days, 6 hours and 11 minutes, beating the imaginary feat of Jules Verne's hero. Miss Bisland, a young lady of Mississippi, but living for some years in New York, and representing the Cosmopolitan magazine, is hourly expected from a like journey on the Bothnia. The latter left New York four days after Miss Bly, traveling by the way of the West, while Nellie went East. Nellie gained a day by her route, while by the other a day is lost. The New York World invited guesses as to Miss Bly's time, offering a trip to Europe with $250 pocket money to the successful guesser. It is said a young man in this town guessed within ten minutes of her time.

Honors at West Point.

We are greatly pleased to learn from yesterday's Army and Navy Register that our young townsman, Mr. George Howell, son of Capt. R. P. Howell, now a Cadet at U. S. Military Academy, West Point, stands first in all other studies, and second in mathematics, in a class of 85 members. This is indeed a record of which his friends may be proud, and which we all hope and believe he will sustain throughout his academic course. —Goldsboro Argus.

Mr. R. P. Johnston, of Asheville, N. C., stands first in mathematics and second in all other studies. North Carolina boys are coming to the front everywhere.—State Chronicle.

A Rumored Change.

The friends of Mr. W. A. Day, district passenger agent of the E. T., V. & G. railroad, whose office is located in this city, are very much surprised at a rumor which says that his removal from Asheville is contemplated by the authorities of the road he represents. Mr. Day is an active and energetic gentleman, and his efforts to intelligently supply the traveling public with all the information desired have been much appreciated by the people. We hope Mr. Day will not be removed from Asheville.

The marriage is announced for February 5th of Dr. Kemp P. Battle, Jr., to Miss Eliza McKee, of Raleigh. Dr. Battle is a son of the President of the University, a young man who inherits the ability of his distinguished family and has already won a wide reputation in his profession. His friends congratulate him upon his approaching union to one of the most charming of the many charming belles of Raleigh, Miss Eliza N. McKee, daughter of Dr. James McKee.

The Hale Pavement.

The Engineering and Mining Journal has the following account of the Hale pavement upon which our city committee has reported favorably after visiting a number of Western and Southern cities:

This pavement is constructed in the following manner: The grade having been properly reduced and dressed to the required shape, the ground should be covered with a layer of loose sand a few inches in thickness, to form a more perfect bed for the boards to follow, and to keep the boards from contact with the earth beneath to form a subdrainage, as against the effects of freezing weather. The sand can be struck off to a perfect surface by a moving templet made to suit the desired curve, and guided by slats set to grade stakes. The boards to be used need not be more than 1 inch in thickness, and ought not be less than 10 inches in width, as a rule. The best timber for the purpose is that least subject to rot under the circnmstances. Good white oak has been used successfully. The boards should be dipped in hot coal-tar or other preserving material. They are then carefully laid upon the sand bed—lengthwise with the street would be the most convenient way—from curb to curb, with a regular curve all the the way. No gutters are necessary, except such as are formed by the crown of the pavement. This floor—the board surfaces of the boards bridging over all minor irregularities of the grading, and so widely distributing all weights or pressure, and being so perfect a barrier from anything solid passing from above or below—now forms a most complete and perfect foundation for the hard material to follow. It is best to cover the boards with a layer of loose sand an inch or two inches in thickness, to form a more perfect bed for the bricks, which can be struck off with the moving templet, as done before. The bricks—hard-burned—are now laid down. If they are of the ordinary shape of building bricks now in common use, they should be placed on edge and laid, preferably, "herring-bone" style, by which means all joints in the board floor are straddled. The seams are now well filled with sand, swept in, and the bricks settled in their beds with a flatter, well rammed, or rolled with a heavy roller. In cities having very heavy traffic to follow immediately the laying of the pavement, it is sometimes preferred, after the interstices between the bricks are half filled with fine sand, to complete the filling with hot pitch made by boiling gas tar until the more volatile portions are driven off. This, when it cools, makes the pavement at once impervious to water, cements the bricks together and helps to hold them firmly in place. This is generally advisable wherever clean fine sand cannot be obtained to fill the interstices.

A perceptible elasticity tends to favor the bricks when subjected to a crushing weight. The bricks being now in place, their flat surfaces agreeing with each other and with the flat surface of the boards beneath, the bearings are perfect and equal; they can be broken only with difficulty, and cannot get out of place; and if at any time it is desired to lay pipes or sewers beneath the pavement, the materials being all disconnected, can be rapidly taken up and laid aside, and as rapidly replaced at small expense, no new materials being required, and no patching to be done, everything fitting in its place.

Its durability has been proved by the test of several years of hard service in the streets of the city of Charleston, and the following tests of the "crushing strength" of the Hale brick would seem to indicate that no paving material surpasses them in enduring qualities. Report of mechanical tests, made with the United States testing machine (capacity 800,000 pounds), for the Hale Pavement Company. Tests, by compression, of four hard-burnt bricks.

The compressed sufaces were faced with plaster of Paris, to secure even bearing in the testing machine. The development of cracks continued after their first appearance up to the time the maximum loads were reached.

The failures of number 4,396 and 4,397 notably occurred in detail; the bricks flaking off from one side. Signed, F. H. Parker, Major Ordnance Department, U. S. A.

The cost of the Hale pavement in any given locality depends upon the cost of sand, oak or other durable boards, hard-burned brick, gas tar and common labor at such locality; but it is claimed that it can be laid in any city or town in the United States, having length of streets sufficient to warrant the undertaking, for very much less than asphalt or Belgian granite blocks, and in most places for less than well laid wooden blocks, or even good macadam roadways. The royalty charge is 10 cents per square yard. Estimates of the cost of this pavement per square yard for any locality will be furnished on application by letter to the office of the company, Staunton, Va.

Vanderbilt's Plans.

Geroge W. Vanderbilt, the youngest of the sons of the late William H. Vanderbilt, is determined, in addition to his well-known palace in New York to have the most magnifficeut private park and the lordliest country estate in America. To that end he has recently bought at a cost of $310,000 nearly 5,000 acres lying just outside of this town—a tract of land fully one-third larger than your magnificent Fairmount park, about one-third of the acrage of which lies under the Schuylkili and the Wissahickon. His landscape gardener is already at work laying out and beautifying these extensive grounds at an expense of $300,000 more. His architect is busy preparing the plans for a lordly pleasure house, like and old style French chateau, which will cost an additional $400,000.

His model stables; which will be scattered over the 5,000 acres, for the purpose of housing thousands of horses and cattle of the very bluest of blue bovine blood, will cost, it is said, at least $200,000 more. So you see that the estimated cost already foots up to the magnificent sum of $1,200,000. The shortest distance from the stately entrance gates to the still statelier mansion of the lord of this vast estate will be four miles by a magnificent roadway sixty feet wide, and it is said that there will be more than fifty miles of macadamized roads within the grounds.

The Minuet Waltz.

The genuine waltz is too fast. We cannot keep up with the rapid whirl, the constant succession of quick measured steps and turns. Various "slow" waltzers have been introduced in some cases to four ungainly hops, in others to a couple of shuffling slides. It is these that Herr Strauss describes as "conversation dances." He now proposes to give us something between the latter and the true waltz, and to wed it to his own characteristic strains.

"I intend to call it the minuet waltz," says the famous composer. "It will be composed in three-four time, and consists of three set, which all begin andantino gracioso, in the style of the minuet or polonaise. It will then gradually develop into the real waltz, with the old fashioned time and whirl.

The minuet waltz is to be introduced at the approaching carnival to the elite of the Austrian aristocracy, and Herr Strauss is confident that it will serve to revive the taste for dancing in circles where it is fast passing into abeyance and disrepute.

To Develop Our Own Ores.

LINCOLNTON, January 27.—Great interest is developing in the iron ores of this and the surrounding counties. Agents of northern companies are searching everywhere for ores. Leases on options have been taken on all the principal beds. One company has taken a six month's lease on the mineral lands of Smith & Pain, at $16,000; another company has taken an option on the big ore bank belonging to the estate of J. W. Derr at the same figure; besides the minor deposits are being searched out and bounded. These companies propose to put hands at work under the direction of skilled miners to develop their properties. The iron ores of this county were once a source of great revenue, and we hail with pleasure the encouraging prospect of again seeing them worked.—Charlotte Chronicle.

A Great Tobacco Company.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 21.—Articles of incorporation were filed today in the secretary of State's office by the American Tobacco Company, which it is supposed is to consolidate a number of companies. The capital stock is fixed at $25,000. The number of shares is 400,000 Of said stock $15,000,000 is divided into 300,000 shares or $50 each, which shall be the general or common stock and $10,000,000 is divided into 100,000 shares of $100 each, which shall be preferred stock shall entitle the holder to receive each year a dividend of eight per cent, payable half yearly, before any dividend is set apart for the common stock, or so much of the eight per cent, as the profits justify. The amount with which the company will begin busines is $10,000,000, divided into 200 shares.

C. E. McLeur, superintendent of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., Richmond, Va., and Maj. O. M. Saddler, division superintendent of the Southern Express Co., Charlotte, were in the city during the first part of the week.

A diapatch from Berlin states that in the stomach of a shark which was recently dissected in that city was found a dolphin weighing 120 pounds, forty-three fish, a decomposed seal, a human arm and four human legs.

J. S. Grant, Ph. G.

(Of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.)

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