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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,

Powell & Snider.

After January 31st our SACRIFICE SALE will cease, except on CLOTHING.

For Spring Just Opened! The Advance Guard!

Stylish Dress Goods

H. Redwood & Co.,
7 and 9 Patton Avenue.

CLOTHING, DRY GOODS, FANCY GOODS, SHOES, HATS, CARPETS, ETC.

BON MARCHE

Calls particular attention to the splendid stock of Ladies' and Children's wraps, Ladies' and Children's Underwear; real good and real cheap. Infants long Cloaks and Caps. Art embroidery materials and wools of every description a specialty. P. D., R. & G. Thompson's Glove Fitting and Warner's Corsets. Ladies can find articles here not found in any other establishment in the city. A call solicited by

LIPINSKY & ELLICK.

Local Briefs

Sheriff Reynolds left Tuesday for Raleigh, taking with him six prisoners.

If you want to reach the best class of city and farmer readers, advertise in the ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT.

Farmers and housewives praise THE DEMOCRAT. Every issue contains matter of use and interest to them.

The premium sale of leaf tobacco takes place at the Alliance warehouse to-day. There will be some fine tobacco on the floor. Six premiums are to be awarded.

We regret to learn of the death of Col. Julian Allen, which occurred at his home in Statesville on Saturday. Col. A. was a Pole, an educated gentleman and useful citizen.

Our tobacco market keeps up better than ever before at this season. Prices range well, and supplies are well kept up. Our farmers generally are in better condition than they have been for years.

Mrs. W. S. Van Zandt and Miss Ella Higgins, of Flemington, N. J., arrived in Asheville on Tuesday and expect to spend several months here. They are stopping at Mr. Rector's, 155 N. Main st.

Maj. H. G. Lee of the banking firm of H. G. Lee & Co., of Shelby; died last Sunday morning in Knoxville where he had large property interests. His death was the result of blood poisoning from an old wound in the leg received during the war.

Our old friend Warren G. Elliott Esq., for some years a prominent merchant of Norfolk, but a native of North Carolina, has been made President of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad. THE DEMOCRAT congratulates the road as well as Mr. Elliott.

The concerts on Tuesday and Wednesday nights of the Schubert Quartette of Chicago have excited the enthusiasm of all our musical people. The two audiences at the Opera Hall and the Battery Park were all delighted. They appeared under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

Mayor Blanton has appointed Messrs. T. D. Johnston, H. A. Gudger and G. S. Powell a committee to examine into and advise upon the establishment of a park for the city. This is one of the best and most important moves yet taken. The Murdock property, if it can be had at a reasonable price, could be made one of the handsomest parks this section or any other could afford.

A Dangerous Medicine.

In these days of "La Grippe" the following caution from the Charlotte News concerning a medicine which is much prescribed for the epidemic is timely. The medicine referred to is autopyrin and the News says:

The doctors tell us that people should be very careful in using this dangerous drug. One physician says: "The medical profession are not yet themselves acquainted with this powerful drug. One thing we do know: it is as great a heat depressant as any drug we have. And we also know that many cases of sudden heart failure and death have been and are due to its unguarded use. I have been almost staggered at the doses people take, and it does seem a shame that it can be bought in the open market without prescription.

It is a poison, and is not intended for promiscuous use any more than arsenic or strychnine."

To Country Merchants.

THE DEMOCRAT invites your attention to the immense and well selected stocks of goods now in Asheville, embracing everything wanted in this country. Our merchants are prepared to fill orders on as good terms as any other city can offer. Our manufacturers and merchants are determined to leave no excuse for merchants in Western Carolina or East Tennessee to go elsewhere to buy stocks. The wholesale trade of Asheville is rapidly increasing, but there is large room for further increase. It will be made to the interest of merchants to trade in Asheville. Let all try it.

Another Family Grocery.

Messrs. T. B. Hamilton & Co. have opened at No. 22 ("Big 22") Patton avenue a full line of fine family groceries. Mr. Hamilton recently came to Asheville from Bryan, Texas, and was so much pleased with Asheville, its attractions and prospects, that he determined to "pitch his tent" right here. Mr. W. V. Tennet, a "Buncombe boy," is with this firm, and will be pleased to see his friends.

The University offers a three months course especially to make teachers, free of tuition beginning February 24. No examinations are required for entrance. The program is very attractive. All teachers desirous of improvement should write to President Battle for a circular.

STREET PAVING.

The Contract Signed for one Mile of Work.

The final consideration of the proposal to pave one mile of streets, one-fourth each way from public square, was reached Tuesday night at a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen by the approval of a contract with Gen. Young, of Memphis for using the Hale foundation and Holwood brick. The contract requires the work to be begun not later than 1st June next, and to be completed not later than 1st November next. Upon completion of the contract, one-sixth of the cost of the whole to be paid in cash, the remainder in five equal annual installments. The cost per square yard is \$1.85, and 5 cents per square yard additional for keeping it in perfect repair for fifteen years. The total cost is estimated to be about \$30,000. The contractor is allowed to use a certain proportion of macadam now in the streets, the remainder to be loaded at his expense, on city carts, which the city will use in macadamizing other streets now sadly in need of improvement.

Much opposition was, and is, manifested to this contract by leading citizens; first, some contending the authorities have no right to contract a debt without the authority of the citizens obtained by a popular vote; second, that the proposition should have been submitted to bidders by proper and full advertisement; third, that the city had just spent a great deal of money for macadamizing, specially on Patton avenue, which would now be lost, and the city was not now prepared to assume this obligation.

In answer to this it was said, first, that the taxes now levied for street purposes only were to be used for this purpose, or a certain proportion of them, which would secure this work without any additional cost to the taxpayer, and the City Attorney sustained the legality of the use of funds already provided for this purpose. Second, that Gen. Young, owning and controlling the exclusive right to use the Hale foundation for Asheville, and having offered its use at a lower cost than other cities had secured it for, there could be no good accomplished in advertising for bidders.

Third, that it being evident a better system of pavement was absolutely required for our principal streets than the present, and being offered the work at the lowest obtainable price, it is better to have at least the amount proposed done now than defer it, especially as no additional taxes would be required to meet the outlay; and the macadam now on the streets to be paved could and would be used, at comparatively light expense, in improving several important connecting streets.

After full argument Alderman Pulliam offered a resolution approving the contract made by the committee with Gen. Young, which was adopted, Messrs. Pulliam, Fitzpatrick, Wolfe and Leonard voting for, and Messrs. Miller and McDowell against.

The Street Railway Co. are required to pave between the tracks in a similar manner, so that passage over the track can be easily and safely made, which is not now, nor can be, the case with the present system.

Whether there will be any steps taken to test the legality of this pledging the credit of the city for five years, we are not advised. We have doubted the legal right of the authorities to pledge revenues beyond the levy annually made, without consent first obtained from the voters, as no levy can be made for a longer period than one year; but the able City Counsel, after careful consideration, decides otherwise. Our main streets certainly require to be paved in a better and more permanent manner than the present system affords, and we commend the desire of the authorities to adopt some more perfect plan. The system agreed upon we believe to be the best in use, and, according to prices paid for it elsewhere, is offered at as low a figure, we dare say, as it can be done for. We regret that a test could not be made of a smaller amount, not involving so much cost, so that the public seeing what it is and how it works, could either extend it—as they would do if satisfactory—or, if not satisfactory, adopt some other method, even at a little greater cost.

Gen. Young says he will use home labor and home material to the very extent of his ability. This is right. THE DEMOCRAT believes and insists that home labor, in all respects, be given preference in all improvements, private as well as public. Those who share the burdens of the city are entitled to all the benefits possible of city expenditures.

There were three hangings in the State on Friday last. They were Lige Moore, colored, at Greensboro, Manley Panckey, for murder, in Montgomery Co., and John Wilson, for murder, in Yancey Co.

The Glen Rock Hotel.

The Glen Rock Hotel was christened on Monday with a banquet at which were present Mayor Blanton and several of the city aldermen, a number of leading business men, representatives of the press and others. The Glen Rock is a large three story frame building in Queen Anne style. It is elegantly finished in North Carolina hard wood, which was all prepared right here in Asheville by the Asheville Furniture Company. The four score of rooms are also richly furnished with furniture by the same company. The complete plumbing throughout the house was done by Messrs. Ballard, Rich & Boyce, of Asheville. The house is lighted by gas made on the premises. The entire finish and equipment of the house is first class in every particular. It is immediately near the railroad depot but it is by no means merely a wayside inn, but one which invites guests to permanent comfort and luxury. E. W. Burkholder was the architect. The Glen Rock is a splendid advertisement for the activity of Asheville and adds largely to her capacity for the yearly increasing visitors. Mr. A. G. Hallyburton received the sincere congratulations of his guests as after the dinner and inspection of the hotel they dispersed in the best of spirits.

ARRIVALS AT THE GLEN ROCK.

Below are the arrivals of the Glen Rock for February 10 and 11th: J. H. McDowell, A. M. Butt, J. E. Heffelpinger, W. Edmiston, Springfield, O.; W. N. Young, Kenton, Va.; M. B. Wilkerson, Mich.; H. M. Brickford, Boston, W. W. Berry, T. S. McBee, city, Frank Ford, Luther Stanley, Mich., W. O. Knight, Richmond, W. N. Round, Chicago; W. R. Crawford, W. A. Mowery, Salisbury; A. L. Dumee, Atlanta; I. P. Owens, Louisville, Ky.; J. F. Light, N. C. Light, Dyersburgh, Tenn.; I. Walker, Granger co.; W. O. Knight, Richmond, Va.; H. C. Trot, W. A. James, W. N. C. R. R.; Judge Brown, N. C.; B. G. Gaden, John Morpew, Marion; M. L. Alshut, W. R. Penniman, J. D. Cameron, W. B. Gwyn, Thos. W. Branch, W. W. West, D. M. Vance, D. W. Furman, A. H. Baird, R. L. Fitzpatrick, T. C. Smith, F. M. Miller, McD Carson, B. M. Jones, Ed R. Overman, Geo. S. Powell, S. E. Cunningham, C. D. Blanton, H. C. Fagg, T. F. Haughton, J. H. Carter, W. V. Low, A. K. McCown, R. F. Camp, J. R. Mock, J. A. Davenport, R. P. Foster, T. C. McNeeley, W. Pinnerder, I. S. Baker, W. C. Francis, D. L. Reynolds, W. T. Reynolds, F. P. Mimnaugh, H. E. Fulenwider, R. G. Trezevant, Asheville, H. W. Shaw, New York; J. N. Rice, Richmond, Va.; J. S. Cralley, Bay City, Mich.; C. S. Mason, Toledo, Ohio; W. R. Woodward, W. N. C. R. R.; G. A. Haylets, Media, Pa.; C. A. Lowery, Knoxville, Tenn.; J. M. Kerns, N. C.; Mrs. W. Morgan and Son, Paeolet, S. C.; J. W. Rumble, B. F. Lindsay, Salisbury, N. C.; J. F. Blair, City; J. M. Morgan, Salisbury; Ed. Evans, A. M. Fry, Bryson City; Frank Werder, N. C.; C. H. Brackens, Springfield, Mass.; J. D. Elliot, Hickory, N. C.; R. Wriswell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Val. Dysert, P. P. C. Co.; I. R. Nicholson, W. A. West, W. N. C. R. R.; I. F. Haughton, Will Mowery, Salisbury; I. P. Owens, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Annie Cain, Durham; Miss Kate Carson, Statesville; Mary Mills, Morganton, N. C.

Married.

On the 11th, our young friend Robt. V. Miller, son of Alderman Miller, was happily married to Miss Delia Young, daughter of Col. W. R. Young, at the residence of Col. Y., on Charlotte street; Rev. W. S. P. Bryan officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Miller took the 1 p. m. train east to visit friends. The best wishes of THE DEMOCRAT go out to the young couple.

Miss Amoret Cameron, of Wilmington, who has a wide circle of friends in this city, was married on Wednesday night last, in St. John's Episcopal Church, at Wilmington, to Mr. Herbert Price, of Asheville. Among the attendants were Mr. D. C. Waddell, Jr., and Mr. Tom McBee, of Asheville.

Would Never Get Over It.

In its report of court proceedings last week the Statesville Landmark says: A witness was asked Tuesday if he had not been charged with selling his vote. He denied it, but said he had voted the Democratic ticket all his life until the last election when he had voted Republican, and he did not believe he would ever get over that last vote.

Some of the "good old ways" still prevail in Statesville. The Landmark says: Monday of court the crowd in town was as large as it usually is "Tuesday of court," Tuesday it was larger than was ever seen here before on a similar occasion. The jockey lots were crowded and business was brisk. The stock had been helped up early in the day and by 10 o'clock business was lively and so continued all day and into the night.

JOHN WILSON HANGED!

A Description of the Tragedy as Portrayed by an Eye Witness.

BURNSVILLE, N. C., Feb. 7.—At one o'clock to-day John Wilson was brought from the County Jail by Sheriff Woody and Deputy Sheriff Proffitt, who escorted him to the wagon which was to take him to the place of execution. The scaffold being reached Wilson was led by Sheriff Woody upon the gallows, and after the death warrant was read Rev. W. A. Robinson ascended the scaffold and read a chapter from the Bible which Wilson had carried out with him. Then the prisoner knelt and prayed fervently for himself, his enemies, his family, and the widow and children of the man he had murdered.

The sheriff then, assisted by deputy Proffitt, bound his hands and legs, adjusted the rope and black cap, and precisely at 1.30 the drop fell. Hundreds turned their backs upon the awful scene while thousands gazed intently at the victim suspended motionless at the rope's end. His pulse was still beating at 2.10 but life was extinct at 2.15.

It has been more than two decades since a like occurrence was witnessed in old Yancey, this being the second on the list of hangings in her history.

WALT RAY.

On the War Path.

Our townsman Col. H. C. Hunt is thus referred to in the Washington City Post of the 3d: "Mr. H. C. Hunt, of Asheville, one of the leading citizens of North Carolina, and who was the first delegate from that State to support Harrison for the presidential nomination at the Chicago convention in 1888, has changed his views recently, and is now one of the conspicuous anti-administration Republicans from the South. Mr. Hunt was originally a candidate for Commissioner of Railways, and later for the position of special agent of the Interior Department. He claims to have been treated with a great lack of consideration. When asked for a schedule of his grievances he replied: 'I may have something to say publicly in a few days, but nothing just at present. My opinions regarding the President and Secretary Noble, however, are not very flattering.'"

An Old Landmark Gone.

We chronicle with sincere regret the death of our old friend Wm. R. Murray, which occurred last Saturday at his home near Busbee this county. Mr. Murray had reached the ripe old age of 86. He was always regarded as one of the best men of the county, one whose judgment was sought on all questions of local public affairs. He was one of the board of county commissioners who, when the county was thought to be poor and unable to enter upon public improvements of a permanent character, had nerve enough to vote a tax of \$35,000 to build our present court house. For many years and until very recently he was a magistrate. He leaves a wife and several children, among whom is our townsman, J. L. Murry, Esq., the efficient superintendent of the city water works. Peace to his ashes!

H. W. Fitch & Co.

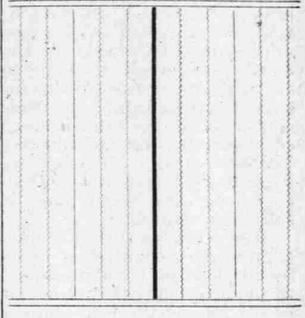
THE DEMOCRAT has already mentioned the purpose of this firm of master mechanics and workmen to establish a new woodworking factory in Asheville; and now we are glad to announce that their new factory building on Southside avenue, on the street railway, is rapidly nearing completion, and not later than the first of March, if bad weather does not interfere, will be in full operation. They are now receiving and putting in place a full line of the very best machinery for the manufacture of mantels, interior finish, stair and veranda work, moldings, frames, and general fine and plain wood-work jobbing. They are first class, graduated mechanics, and their work will equal in design, finish, and prices any that can be done anywhere. They will employ from 15 to 20 skilled workmen. THE DEMOCRAT wishes them abundant success.

The Democrat.

We must express our gratification at the kindly expressions of the people, farmers and business men, toward THE DEMOCRAT, and the work it is doing for the material interests of our section. We strive to make it useful to the people of the entire section, and we hope our friends will aid in enlarging its circulation. We will give the money's worth to every subscriber. Send in names with the money.

Transylvania Beef.

On Tuesday Messrs. J. E. Reed & Co. exhibited in their meat market, DEMOCRAT building, as fine beef as ever was produced anywhere, large, fat and tender. It was raised in Transylvania, and sustained what THE DEMOCRAT claims, that our farmers can produce as fine, fat beef as any in the world.



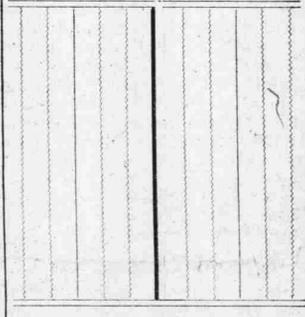
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