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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.

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CLUB RATES:—We will send the National Democrat and THE DEMOCRAT to any address within the United States for \$2.00 a year, strictly in advance.

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Good Prices for Tobacco.

The following are a few of the sales of tobacco made at the Alliance warehouse the past few days. These prices still sustain THE DEMOCRAT in its claim that Asheville cannot be excelled as a tobacco market: E. D. Weaver \$4 to \$50, W. H. Hunter & Co., \$8 to \$44; J. B. Morgan, \$6.50 to \$41; G. Robinson, \$13.50 to \$68; J. B. Garrison, \$4.90 to \$45; Barrett & Woodson, \$12 to \$46; A. H. Martin, \$9 to \$70; James Payne, \$6.75, \$52, \$63.

J. M. Crisp, from Graham, a new tobacco county, sold a lot ranging from \$5.50 to \$35.00.

This county of Graham is yet going to astonish the people. One of the largest in territory in the State, it has the smallest population, or had until recently, with the smallest area of cultivated land. Its timbers are as fine and varied—including all the fine and hard woods—as can be found on the globe, and are rapidly attracting the attention of capitalists. There are already a large number of saw mills in the county, and many thousands of feet daily are being taken out. After the timber is taken off, the soil is rich, from valley to mountain tops, and immensely productive. The grains, grasses, vegetables, fruits, tobacco, grow to perfection. It will yet be the home of many thousands of happy, contented, prosperous people.

Acquittal of Mr. A. E. Posey.

THE DEMOCRAT sincerely congratulates the above gentleman and his friends upon the result of the trial in Hendersonville last week. Judge Brown presided, and fully sustained the expectations of his friends for ability, impartiality and dignity. The State was represented in this case by Solicitor Bower, Col. V. S. Lusk, of Asheville and Mr. T. J. Rickman, of Hendersonville. The defense by Messrs. W. A. Smith of Hendersonville, G. S. Ferguson, of Waynesville, M. H. Justice, of Rutherford, Jones and Shuford, J. M. Gudger and H. A. Gndger, of Asheville. The jury was of good, reliable citizens, above the average in intelligence. There was no element of murder in the case, and the testimony showed conclusively that Mr. Posey acted in self defense. The man slain, Mr. Furman Forrest, was shown to have been a man of violent and desperate, even dangerous character, very much superior in physical strength to Mr. Posey, and assaulted him violently with a pair of brass knuckles, keeping in reserve a British bulldog pistol. It is over with now, after a fair, vigorous and impartial trial, and we congratulate Mr. P. and his friends and family upon the result.

Finding it Rich.

The Salisbury Herald gives the following items of importance: Boston parties have completed arrangements and obtained option on a corundum property in Jackson county. They will now put miners to work developing. The samples sent us are blue and light colored crystals.

A rich discovery has been made in Haywood county of a gold and copper mine—or we should say prospect hole! The ore is very high grade in au. The owners are offering to deed one half the property if parties will cut a drift in the mountain to cross-cut vein 300 feet below surface.

Lucky Speculation.

Our progressive and enterprising townsman, ex-Sheriff D. D. Suttle, purchased four months ago for \$7,900 sixty acres of land in the suburbs of Asheville and made a small payment on the purchase. He sold a small portion two months ago at a profit, and last week he sold the remainder for \$15,000 to a Northern party. He made a net profit on his purchase of \$7,650.—Shelby Aurora.

Local Briefs

Gen. Young is in the city, looking after his pavement contract.

Judge Shuford left a few days ago for New Orleans, to take in the Mardi Gras.

Mr. J. H. Woodcock, of Asheville, was registered at the Palace Hotel, Knoxville, a few days ago. Were we J. H. we wouldn't.

Yesterday being Ash Wednesday, the next forty days will be observed by our Catholic and Episcopal citizens as the Lenten season.

Mr. A. J. Cooper, of Fair View Township, tells us wheat looks elegantly, and the peaches and apples of his section have not suffered at all. Glad to hear it.

Our country friends are requested to call in and see us, in THE DEMOCRAT building, 10 North Court Square. Our door and subscription books are always open.

Col. Frank Coxe, Mrs. Coxe, Miss Maud and Tench Coxe, of Philadelphia, passed through Charlotte Saturday evening, en route to Philadelphia, from Rutherfordton.

A number of visitors, while enjoying rides around and through the city, are making earnest enquiries concerning properties, etc. They can scarcely make a miss now.

Mr. Nettles, living near Best, tells us he has a large quantity of fine spring cabbage which will soon be ready for market. Mr. N. and his little boys are successful gardeners.

Mrs. E. M. Edwards died at her boarding house in this city Saturday after a five days illness with the "Grippe." Her remains were taken to her former home, Cincinnati, for interment.

The peach crop is the only thing we hear of that has been injured this winter. The warm weather swelled the buds so that the frosts have nipped them badly. Apples seem to be all right now.

Rev. R. G. Pearson who has been conducting a successful revival in Baltimore, has been forced to discontinue his meetings on account of his health. He says that over work is the cause of his illness.

Mr. Vanderbilt is having some splendid work done on the farm at the mouth of the Swannanoa recently purchased from Mrs. Lusk. It will soon be one of the handsomest farms in the South.

The new iron bridge across the French Broad, to connect Asheville with West Asheville and the Asheville Sulphur Springs, is rapidly approaching completion. It will be a handsome and substantial structure.

Edison, the wizard of Menlo Park, is in Charlotte, where he will spend a week looking into the applicability of his new electrical process for treating the sulphuretted ores of that locality. He will be in Asheville in a few days.

A prominent farmer said the other day that he believed there was more money among the farmers of Buncombe now than ever before in any one season. They are in better condition, in all respects, than ever before.

The festive hoe and rake are making themselves familiar with the bosom of mother earth in these parts. And what a generous old lady she is. If her sons will do about at all, she always responds most gratefully and liberally.

Our own people would be surprised, upon going around the city, at seeing the improvements going on. In a few more weeks, if the weather continues nice, matters will hum as never before in this city, and we might truthfully say, the State.

The articles which have recently appeared in the editorial department of the Asheville Baptist, on capital punishment and the race problem, have been unusually able and forceful. We heartily endorse every word the able editor has said on these matters.

The Sunday-school Superintendents of Knoxville could not proceed with business the other evening for want of a quorum. We are glad to see there is one body in the United States having decency enough not to follow Speaker Reed by declaring a quorum present whether they are there or not.

From all parts of our section we get good reports from our farmers. The mild winter and excellent weather has enabled more good work to be done than is usual up to this time, and the opportunity has been embraced. If nothing untoward occurs hereafter crops will be excellent in this section this year.

Tobacco Seeds.

We call the attention of our farmer friends to the fact that Dr. T. C. Smith, druggist, has just received a supply of Rayland's best tobacco seeds, and they can get a supply of the best.

The Paving Business.

From a report in The Citizen of yesterday of an interview with Gen. Young relative to the paving of our streets, it seems the work as agreed upon by the authorities cannot be done this year, as the Holwood brick cannot be made in time for work according to the contract. Gen. Y. insists the Hale brick can be made near Asheville, whereas there is no clay suitable for the Holwood brick known to exist this side of Ohio.

A committee appointed by the authorities visited several places, and after investigating different kinds of pavement, including the Hale brick pavement, decided unanimously in favor of the Hale foundation and the Holwood brick. This decision was sustained by the city authorities. If this system is the best, and we take it to be on the report of the committee, we think this decision should be adhered to. While we prefer using home supplies where they are equal to that which can be had elsewhere; but if better material can be had elsewhere it is economy to get it. In view of the statement of Gen. Young we think the execution of the contract should be postponed and arrangements made for the Holwood brick at the earliest possible time. So far as brick which may be left over from this contract is concerned, if the pavement proves as good as expected there will be use for more of them than the present contract calls for. We recognize the necessity of permanent and cleanly pavement in the centre of the city; but we do not believe our city will suffer very greatly if it should not be done this year, specially in view of the fact that a large sum of money has just been expended on Patton avenue, making it good enough for a year or so. Though the present contract may be adhered to, it may be altered so as to extend the time until the proper and more satisfactory brick, according to the report of the committee, can be obtained.

A Complete Change.

Those of our readers who were familiar with the old College boarding house would not recognize the building now, so complete is the change made recently. Some time since the property was purchased by Dr. T. J. Hargan and Prof. H. J. Greenwell. Dr. Hargan has been practicing in Asheville for several years and has established a high reputation here in his specialty. Prof. G. came to the city last year, mostly for his health, and became so pleased with our city and its health-giving climate, that he determined to locate permanently, and united with Dr. H., purchased the old boarding house, and, under the excellent supervision of Mr. O. D. Revels, one of our young but progressive contractors, these gentlemen proceeded to change, enlarge, beautify and improve generally the building for hotel purposes. It is now called The Oaks Hotel. Its location, corner of Woodfin and Oak streets, adjoining the beautiful campus of the Asheville Female College, quite near the center of the city, gives it all the convenience that could be desired; besides the street railroad passes the place, giving its guests easy access to the principal sections of the city.

There are in all about one hundred rooms in the Hotel, eighty-five of which are chambers for guests, well lighted and ventilated, well heated, handsomely and comfortably furnished. Hot and cold baths, closets, etc., on every floor. The building is lighted by gas made on the premises. A number of towers ornament the building, the main one reaching the height of 140 feet. In this is the elevator, going from the basement floor to the roof; and also in this, 100 feet from the ground, is an outlook, commanding the magnificent view of this magnificent valley. Every appointment about the Hotel is complete, and it must prove one of the most popular additions to our growing city. Messrs. Hargan and Greenwell deserve congratulation upon their excellent work, and THE DEMOCRAT sincerely wishes their success may be fully equal to their merits. There are a number of guests already there, and applications for next summer are being made now.

Kindly Words for the Old North State.

[For The Democrat.] WEAVER, Feb. 16, '90. MESSRS. EDITORS:—I send you an extract from a letter recently received from Major Baker P. Lee, of Virginia, an eminent lawyer and a distinguished journalist, who speaks in the following complimentary terms of the old North State: "I have for some time been observing with interest and admiration the extraordinary resources, enterprise and broadminded appreciation of her own capabilities, of North Carolina. She is very soon to be the leading State of the South. I made the acquaintance of a Raleigh gentleman at Buffalo Springs last summer, who occasionally sends me papers showing the rapidly developing prosperity and power of North Carolina, and, as I have said, I am greatly surprised with the robust manhood of her people as well as with the wonderful physical advantages of her territory." W. W. WING.

[This writer has the pleasure of an acquaintance with Mr. Lee, and, in publishing the extract so kindly sent by Dr. Wing, we must thank Major Lee for his kindly opinions of our State and people.—ED. DEMOCRAT.]

Tribute of Respect.

[For The Democrat.] CENTRE LODGE, No. 398, A. F. and A. M., February 8, 1890. Whereas, God, in his infinite mercy, has called from us our brother J. D. Roberts, and

Whereas, believing our loss is his eternal gain, we bow with humble submission to the divine will of our Heavenly Father, knowing that he doeth all things well. Be it Resolved, That we will cherish the memory of our deceased brother by extending to his bereaved family our deepest sympathy in this hour of sore trial.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother we have lost a faithful and worthy brother, his wife and family a kind husband and an affectionate father, his neighbors a friend who in time of need proved himself worthy of the high esteem in which they regarded him.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, also to the ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT, with the request that the Asheville Methodist copy the same.

W. H. HUNTER, W. C. GARRISON, J. M. PICKENS, Committee.

THE WEST POINT TERMINAL.

The Largest Mileage in the United States—Will it Establish Headquarters in Asheville?

Speaking of the absorption of the Queen and Crescent System by the West Point Terminal of which latter system our Western North Carolina Road is the most valuable section, the Cincinnati Enquirer of Saturday says:

"This will be a system with more miles of road than any other in the United States. The next largest system would be the Santa Fe, now the largest, with 7,706 miles. The other large systems follow in the order named: Union Pacific, 6,288 miles; Southern Pacific, 5,831 miles; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 5,698 miles; Missouri Pacific, 4,994 miles; Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy, 4,917 miles; and Chicago and Northwestern, 4,310 miles."

"It is safe to say that Cincinnati is to be the northwestern terminus of the largest system of railroads in the United States by the time the flowers bloom in the spring."

Asheville occupies a very central position on this grand southern system. Would it not be wise for the Terminal to make this the general headquarters of the company? Every facility is here afforded for such offices, and THE DEMOCRAT submits the matters to those in authority.

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J. S. Grant, Ph. G.

(Of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.)

Apothecary, 24 South Main St.

Bill Nye, who has had LaGrippe, sends the following to Grant's Pharmacy:

"Little grains of quinine, little drinks of rye, Make LaGrippe that's got you Drop its hold and fly. This may quickly help you, if you'll only try; But don't forget the quinine When you take the rye."

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