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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.

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Local Briefs

Supt. and Mrs. McBee have gone to New Orleans to enjoy Mardi Gras this week.

The Graham Shoe Company has become the Asheville Shoe Company; the capital is increased to $50,000 and the capacity to 300 pairs of shoes a day.

Miss Rosa Baker, formerly of Natchez, Miss., late of Asheville, died at the residence, on Grove St., of her mother, on Tuesday morning. She had a wide circle of friends in Asheville.

Plant good seed and get the best by buying Landreth's garden and field seed. Landreth is the only man who burns all old seed. Sold by W. E. Pelham, 24 Patton ave., opposite Grand Central Hotel.

Rev. J. F. Austin, editor of The Asheville Methodist, has been conducting a very interesting revival meeting in Murphy, much to the pleasure of the good people of that community. He gives a pleasant account of his visit in the last Methodist

The capital of the Graham Cotton Manufacturing Company will be increased from $150,000 to $175,000, and looms and spindles increased in proportion. H. M. Cone is President, J. E. Dickerson Vice-President, and C. E. Graham Treasurer.

We were pleased to have a call from our old friend Dr. Washburn, of Cherokee. Dr. W. and family have been spending several years at St. Joseph, Mo., but still claims North Carolina as his home. He was enroute to Cherokee, looking after his estates in that county.

Mr. D. A. Putnam has established himself at J. H. Woody's, on Willow street, with a complete outfit of new woodworking machinery, for the manufacture of fine wood work, etc., and asks a share of patronage. Mr. Putnam is a master mechanic, and will do excellent work, promptly, and at reasonable prices.

Spring is getting in its work right on the Blue Ridge. A friend, whose letter we publish elsewhere from Bat Cave, Henderson county, just below the beautiful Hickory Nut Gap, sends us young oak sprouts two feet long and a wild vine over three feet long. This growth is certainly two to three month ahead of time. We hope "Rim" will write again and often.

Capt. Cocke returned from Spartanburg last week. He says that his French Broad Valley Road Company are hastening matters all they can, and will be "throwing dirt" literally, very soon. Mr. Ramseur, chief engineer informs us that a mortgage covering the line has been registered in Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania, and will be ready for active work before very long. So mote it be.

Some of the finest timber lands in the world are in Yancey, Madison, Transylvania, Haywood, Macon, Swain and Graham counties which can now be bought at reasonable prices. The timbers, consisting of the hard and fine woods of all kind are not only abundant, but after taken off the lands are equal to any for vegetables, grains, grasses, fruits, tobacco, etc. What a superb country this Western North Carolina is, to be sure.

French Broad Valley Road.

The French Broad Valley Railroad has given a mortgage deed to the Central Trust Company, of New York, to secure the loan of one million, five hundred thousand dollars ($1,500,000), to be used in the construction and equipment of the French Broad Valley Railroad. The deed is recorded in the counties of Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania. Arrangements have also been made to open an office in Hendersonville, and to put the entire line under construction.

The Park Question.

A progressive citizen of one of our suburban towns heartily endorses the proposition of THE DEMOCRET that the city authorities purchase now a site for a city park, and also endorses the splendid Murdock property as a most suitable place. If a good park site could be purchased in Northeast Asheville, accessible to toe extension of the street car line, and another in Northwest Asheville, over-looking the river and also accessible to the extension of the street car line, it would prove a great advantage and attraction to our city. Another in South Asheville should also be selected. Some years ago the writer of this urged the city to buy suitable property for park purposes when it could have been bought for from ten to twenty per cent of what suitable property can now be bought for. Our advice was not taken, greatly to the loss of the city. The time is rapidly coming when our city must have parks of easy access to our citizens and visitors, and to wait until then to buy the property simply means paying out a great deal more for it. Now is the time to strike.

The A., A. and B. Road.

Capt. Natt. Atkinson has received news from Atlanta of the successful consolidation of the Pittsburg and Virginia Railroad, under the Presidency of Gov. Fitzhugh Lee; the Bedford and James River Road, under the Presidency of Hon. W. W. Berry; the Atlanta, Asheville and Baltimore Road across North Carolina, under the Presidency of Capt. Atkinson. The Georgia Division is under the Presidency of a prominent attorney of Atlanta, with whom Capt. J. M. Brosins, the inventor, is largely interested. Capt. Brosins and Col. Berry visited Asheville some time ago and had a conference with Capt. Atkinson, with the result as above stated. It is thought that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee will be made President of the entire line. Capt. Atkinson has already put a Surveyor to work on the line through this country.

Iron Ores.

Teere are gentlemen from various sections of the North now in the South representing many millions of dollars, seeking good iron deposits. Southeast Virginia, East Tennessee and Alabama seem to be attracting the attention of these gentlemen more than any other sections. In the immediate vicinity of Asheville, and in Leicester, French Broad and Lower Hominy townships, and in Madison, not far from the railroad, are immense deposits of iron pronounced by experts to be as fine as can be found in the South, much of the same character as the celebrated Cranberry ores. THE DEMOCRAT invites the attention of capitalists to these ores. There is everything here to make furnaces profitable. Let our people, however, take steps to show what they have.

Dr. Eugene Grissom.

We copy and endorse the following in reference to the above distinguished gentleman from the Raleigh Christian Advocate:

"We are glad to see from our city daily papers that Dr. Eugene Grissom is getting quite a good "consultation practice." Physicians, here and there over the State, recognizing his eminent abilitief are calling him in consultation, especially in mental and nervous disorders. We trust that this demand for his skill in North Carolina is so great that even the tempting offer he has in St. Louis will not over-balance it and take him from us. We would like to keep a man of such unquestioned ability in our own midst."

Dr. Wardlaw Pelham.

Mr. Sam Pelham who is with his brother, Dr. Pelham, at Blockley Hospital, Philadelphia, writes that while Dr. P. showed signs of relapse the early part of last week, on the 20th he had rallied and was better. Dr. P. has been suffering from blood poisoning contracted while performing a surgical operation, and has been seriously ill for quite four months. Mr. Sam Pelham has been with hlm during his illness. It is stncerely wished by the many friends of both gentlemen that Dr. P. may soon recover. He has been at death's door several times, but close and constant nursing have saved him so far. We trust both may soon be in Asheville.

Gold in Concord.

The discovery of rich gold mines has become epidemic in North Carolina. Concord comes to the front with some rich discoveries within the corporation limits of the town. A very rich vein has been found on the premises of Judge Montgomery. The ore is said to be worth $30 a ton.

Hair Brushes.

Pelham, the Patton avenue druggist, has just received the largest and best stock of hair, tooth, coat and flesh brushes ever seen in Asheville.

News Notes.

Macon, Ga., has subscribed $30,000 to the Davis Land Fund.

Revenue officer Kirkpatrick was shot near Hillsboro while raiding a distillery.

A distillery near Salisbury was blown up a few days ago causing the death of four persons.

The Mardi Gras at New Orleans last week was one of the most brilliant which has ever occurred.

J. J. Corbett, of San Francisco, defeated Jake Kilrain at New Orleans in a six round contest for scientific points.

John Jacob Astor, grandson of the original John Jacob Astor, founder of the family's fortune, died in New York on Feb. 22d.

The Egypt coal mine is being worked at the rate of 40 tons per day. Its owners say it is not for sale as their property is considered very valuable.

Winston is to have the the electric railway. Four miles are to be built soon. A new $50,000 court house is also to be built and it is said the town is endeavoring to build a great hotel for a summer and winter resort.

Most horrible accounts of the treatment of political prisoners in Siberia, come by way of Paris and London. So brutal was the treatment of some female prisoners that they determined to commit suicide by abstaining from food. They did so for fourteen days and then were forced to eat by violence and licentious outrage. One of them was flogged to death and three of her companions poisoned themselves in despair.

In Cherokee.

From the Murphy Advance we learn: The present terminus of the W. N. C. road is near Valleytown, 18 miles from Murphhy. By spring the entire distance to Murphy will be ready for the iron.

A party from Atlanta has been investigating valuable mineral lands, with which Cherokee abounds.

We learn that Watson property, near Culberson was sold last week to a company for a good round figure. There is a large bed of marble on this property and it will no doubt be opened at an early day.

Tne site for the new town of Andrews, 16 miles from Murphy, has been located, and the road bed has been graded for a station and switch here.

This would be a most available point for the manufacture of brick. The clay near by is well suited for this purpose, and it has a good sprinkling of manganese in it, that when being burned in the kiln, will melt and run through the brick thereby aeding much to their valve. Then wood and water is convenient which is quite an item in brick making.

Chicago Wins.

The long agitated subject of the location of the World's Fair of 1892 commemorating the 4th centennial of the discovery of America by Columbus has been at length settled and to the surprise and dismay of the great metropolis of the country, New York, it has been secured by the enterprising giant of the West, Chicago. The result of the first ballot was Chicago 115, New York 72, St. Louis 61, Washington 56, Cumberland Gap 1. Both New York and Chicago gained considerably on the following ballots. The total vote of the sixth ballot was Chicago 149, New York 116, St. Louis 28 and Washington 19. On the eighth and last ballot Chicago got 157, New York 107, St. Louis 25 and Washington 18, giving the first named a majority of the whole vote.

To Our Readers.

Our people in Western Carolina and East Tennessee who want goods of any kind should come to Asheville and buy. Our merchants have the finest stocks they ever carried, and desire to dispose of them before ordering their spring stocks. Bargains can be had now for cash. Now is the time to buy before the stocks are picked over.

How Asheville Grows.

Some four years ago a piece of property in this city consisting of quite 100 acres was offered for $100 but could find no taker. Now the owners refuse to take an offer of $75,000 for about 80 acres of the same tract. This shows how rapidly Asheville real estate is advancing.

The Greensboro Patriot

Has been revived by Messrs. Bethel and Scales, and we welcome our old friend again. Its new managers show admirable adaptability for this work, and are making a very excellent and useful paper. We heartily wish it success.

Fine Tobacco Seed.

If you want a good crop of bright leaf tobacco go to Pelham's, 24 Patton ave., opposite Grand Central, and buy Landreth's fresh tobacco seeds.

AN ACT.

To Enable the Townships of Guilford County to Adopt the Mecklenburg Road Law.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section I. That chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and eight-five, being an act entitled "an act relating to roads and highways," together with all acts amendatory thereof, shall apply to each and any of the townships of Guilford county as soon as the said road law shall be ratified and adopted by a majority of the justices of each of any of said townships: Provided however, that nothing contained in the above named chapter shall compel any person in the county of Guilford between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years to work over two days in any one year.

Sec. 2. That the justices of each or any of said townships shall, upon the application of ten tax-payers of their township, meet and determine whether they shall adopt said road law for their individual township or townships; and shall immediately notify the board of county commissioners of said county of the fact of such application and their action thereon.

Sec. 3. That the justices of each or any of said townships shall, upon the adoption by them of said road law, recommend to the board of county commissioners of said county a rate of taxation necessary, in their opinion, to carry said road law into practical operation, and thereupon the board of county commissioners and justices of the peace of said county of Guilford shall, annually, at their June session, levy upon the taxable property of such township, within the limits prescribed in said act acts amendatory thereof, annual taxes at the rate recommended by the trustees of said township, and cause the same to be collected as in said act provided. All taxes heretofore collected by the commissioners for the benefit of said public roads shall be used and employed for said roads under the provisions of and in accordance with this act.

Sec. 4. That all taxes levied and collected in each townshsp shall be expended exclusively in said township under the direction of the trustees thereof.

Sec. 5. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D., 1889.

Valuable Mine Sold.

It is stated, on what appears to be authority, that Capt H. F. McCarty has effected the sale of the Eureka mine near Thomasville, and they say that the captain made thirty thousand dollars on the trade. The mining interests of this section are not monopolizing the attention of investors however for it is reported that several moneyed men are talking business about building a railroad from Thomasville through the heart of the mining region. Other reports current ore to the effect that the Silver Valley mine will resume operations on a large scale and that other mines in the immediate vicinity of the Valley will be started up. The fact the Baltimore Gold and Silver Mining and Smelting Company will have a stockholders meeting at Thomasville next Monday may mean something else in the way of mining operations. Of course, there wouldn't be so much talking about mining matters unless there were some solid basis for it. It is safe therefore to assume that the outlook is more favorable than it has been in years.—Lexington Dispatch.

A Dead Soldier's Sister Wanted.

Archie Brinkley was a soldier in the North Carolina State troops, in the late war. He died recently in California, leaving a small estate. Brinkley has a sister living somewhere in North Carolina, but unless she can be found, his estate will escheat to the State of California. The News can give this sister information which will enable her to get her brother's property, and we hope the State papers will help us to find her.—Charlotte News. (The Sister has been found at Magnolia, N. C.)

Kaolin Works.

We learn that the Carolina Manufacturing Co. has been reorganized and will resume the preparation of kaolin for market at their factory at Dillsboro at once. We are glad this is so. It is another important step forward in the development of our country's resources.—Tuckaseige Democrat.

Rich Specimens.

Some fine specimens of gold were taken from the Hearne and Hathcock mine last week. One of the handstold us that the mine was getting just rich enougq. A force of 28 hands are now at work at this mine.

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:

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