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Looking Backward

Over the past eight years of our successful business life in Asheville we have 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 tried practice of some dealers in cutting prices on a few leading articles, hoping to make 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.

HOLD ON!

Here I Am Again.

With the best stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Dress Goods, Gingham, Domestic, Jeans, Flannels, Blankets, Shoes, Boots, Hats, many of them bought for Less Than Cost Of Making.

Agent for some of the largest factories in the south, and can sell home-made jeans, all wool filled, for less than you can get them at any store in the State. Graham's home-made shoes, all styles, as low as can be bought in the State. Every pair guaranteed.

A great many goods were bought at auction, late in season, and hence can be sold lower than any other house in the State can offer them.

Call and see. Prices made in the store.

ASHEVILLE DRY GOODS CO.,
J. O. HOWELL, Manager.
No. 17 North Main Street.

FIRE INSURANCE AGENCY

—OF—

C. T. RAWLS.

No. 5 Patton Avenue, (Down Stairs.)

	Assets.
National Fire Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn.,	\$2,443,337.33
Merchants' Fire Insurance Co.,	1,554,638.37
Westchester Fire Insurance Co.,	1,521,706.53
Knoxville Fire Insurance Co.,	270,191.89

INSTANTANEOUS

Ice Cream Freezer,

Unsurpassed by anything now on the market, is now for sale by the county or single machine at Asheville, N. C. Price \$6.50. For sale by

J. H. McConnell & J. M. Crawford.

Local Briefs

Hon. J. C. Pritchard, of Madison, is in the city.
Attorney-General Davidson is in the city for a few weeks.

Hon. J. C. L. Gudger, of Waynesville, was in the city Tuesday.

Judge Avery, of the Supreme Court, and wife, are in the city.

Hon. Kope Elias and Mr. John Ammons, of Macon, are in the city.

Maj. R. Bingham, principal of the famous Bingham School, is in the city.

Mr. W. P. Terrell, of Old Fort, recently cut from two-fifths of an acre one and one-half tons of timothy grass.

Mr. W. B. Phillips, of Birmingham, Ala, formerly of Chapel Hill, a mining and chemical engineer of wide repute, is in town.

Mr. McDonald, who has been superintending the brick paving, having resigned, Col. Jack Edwards has been appointed in his place.

Mrs. Mollie Ward, of Greensboro, and Mrs. Gov. Taylor, of Tennessee, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Letitia Baird, and other relatives, in this city.

Mr. Sprague, formerly proprietor of the Round Knob hotel will, it is said, take a lease upon the Black Mountain hotel and open it up this summer.

Col. J. G. Martin, president of the Morristown and Cumberland Gap railroad, was in the city this week. Col. M. says his road will be completed in a short while.

The sale yesterday of lots in Prospect Park was a repetition of the many similar scenes which Asheville has witnessed this Spring. Prices were high and bidders plentiful.

We invite attention to the card of Col. J. M. Israel, announcing himself a candidate for superior court clerk of Buncombe. Col. I. is well known to the people and if chosen will make an efficient officer.

Dr. Lucas, the great coronum miner of Macon, Mr. R. L. Porter, and other prominent citizens of Franklin are having a telephone connection established between Franklin and Walhalla, S. C., via Highlands.

Reports from the wheat harvest in Western Carolina are quite disappointing. In many sections not much more than seed will be gathered, while in no place will a half crop be realized. Oats, corn, grass, etc., are very promising.

We are pleased to welcome back to Asheville Mr. Junius T. Smith and family, of Lexington, Ky. Mr. S. and family resided some years in Asheville, and returned two years ago to their former Kentucky home. We are pleased to have them with us again, and trust their stay may be permanent.

Mr. F. E. Emery, a distinguished and practical agriculturist, for years connected with some of the most successful agricultural colleges of the North, has been elected to be agriculturist and assistant professor of agriculture at our State Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh. It looks as if our college is to be made a practical, useful institution instead of a roost for office-seekers who have proven failures in all enterprises.

The rumors which were sent out all over the country that the people of Asheville were resisting the census enumerators and refusing to give answers are absolutely untrue. The enumerators inform us they have had no trouble whatever; some few, from misunderstanding the real nature of the questions manifested some embarrassment as to what they ought to do, but when the questions were shown and explained, which has been done with all courtesy, no further objection was made and all necessary information readily given. The enumerators, for this city, certainly, and so far as we know of this section, will not be discourteous to any one, nor have they been, and we believe the work will be well done.

Extra Copies of the Democrat.

We are receiving daily letters from various portions of this section and from other States asking for copies of THE ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT of recent or special dates. We regret to say we have not been able to fill all such orders as our supply is generally exhausted during the day or the day following publication. We print extra copies every week, but the regular increase in subscriptions keep up with these. The interest THE DEMOCRAT takes in the material affairs of this section is attracting attention and subscribers; besides, as we say, from one hundred to several hundred copies per week over our regular list are issued. All persons desiring extra copies should give orders as early as possible.

A HALF MILLION

Dollars Worth of Bonds Coming to Asheville.

The Asheville Loan, Improvement and Construction Company of which Mr. G. S. Powell is president, has received a bid for one-half million dollars of bonds of the company, based on real estate of the company, for as long time as may be desired, at six per cent per annum. This by Northern men who recognize what the future of Asheville will be. All the money wanted in this country on real estate can be had.

Mr. Eaves Rejected.

The United States Senate has, by a unanimous vote it is reported, rejected the nomination of Mr. J. B. Eaves for the collectorship of this district. A dispatch from Washington to the Statesville Landmark quotes Congressman Ewart as saying that while the Senate had rejected Mr. Eaves, the President would stand by him. If this be so, and we take it that Mr. Ewart is also standing by him, the President may let Eaves remain in office without sending another appointment to the Senate, or may send in his name again, and use his personal influence with Republican Senators to have him confirmed. The whole matter is in a muddle. Mr. Eaves is not fit for the place; but he was appointed through Dr. Mott's influence, as "the man not afraid of the devil," and after his appointment, Dr. Mott—the most corrupt boss the Republicans have ever had in the State—turned against his own appointee because, as he alleges, Eaves would not be bossed by him. This is the only redeeming trait we have ever heard attributed to Eaves, as a political factor; but when two men of equal political corruption fight each other there is something certainly "rotten in Denmark." Neither Dr. Mott, Mr. Eaves, or any one either are likely to approve are fit for the appointment, either in a business or other sense. Mr. Harrison can take his choice, either being or both will suit us; the people of this district will understand the appointment of either element and will respond next November. But Mr. Ewart! Where will he stand.

Work to Begin.

The work of "shoveling dirt" on the French Broad Valley Railroad will begin in Henderson county this week, and we are assured, will be prosecuted to completion as rapidly as circumstances will permit. Messrs. Cocke and Ramsey, Vice-President and Chief Engineer respectively, have been unremitting in their labors to get this grand work for Western Carolina undertaken; and have succeeded so far as to assure the completion of the work. With the road from Bristol, Tenn., to Rutherfordton and to South Carolina connection, our section will have connections which will add millions to the industrial enterprises and possibilities of our section. Already new life has been started in Hendersonville, in Henderson county, and in territory to be traversed by the road, and a new section is opened up to the uses of capital and enterprise. Hurry up the good work.

High, But Getting Higher.

The Raleigh News-Observer says: "We have always understood that Asheville was pretty high up, and certainly the town lots there as well as the surrounding country, are pretty high. But the rise in price has been steadily maintained and is on a substantial basis. It is not the result of any boom, but is based on the considerations of value." Our cotemporary is right, everything in Asheville is based on substantial and increasing value. We do not hesitate to say that property in and around Asheville will be within the next year, from 25 to 50 per cent higher than it is to-day. Beside the large and increasing number who come here for climatic considerations, the industrial enterprises keep pace with all others, and within the next year there will be others established of great importance.

A Large Eagle.

Emory Edney, the little 12-year-old son of Mr. Geo. Edney, residing near Mr. J. C. Sams' store on Ivy in Madison county, shot and killed, a few days ago, an eagle which Mr. Hardy Merrill informs us measured seven feet from tip to tip of wings, and seven inches from point of rear toe to point of front toe. It was a mammoth bird, and the little nimrod is justly proud of his achievement.

Notice.

The convocation of Asheville will meet in Franklin, Macon county, on Saturday before the 2d Sunday in July. All the members of the convocation are requested to be present.

By order of the Dean.

GEO. H. BELL, Sec. Con.

The Western Guide.

We have received at the hands of Mr. W. M. Daves, of Hendersonville, the first copy of the Western Guide, the new Democratic paper just started at Hendersonville, "the Pearl of the Mountains," in the interest of the Democratic party and of Western North Carolina. Mr. Paul Jones is manager, and Mr. Daves is traveling agent.

We welcome the Guide. Its initial number not only gives evidence of journalistic ability, but of much usefulness to our section and party. It is published in a live, progressive town, in a county of great future promise, and we trust will receive the support its merits will entitle it to.

From the number before us we get the following important news:

"Mr. Sykes, who represents Mr. J. D. Harden, contractor, for that portion of the French Broad Valley Railroad between the county lines of Transylvania and Buncombe, is now on the line locating shanties. Mr. Harden, we learn, has sub-let to Messrs. Cannon and Johnson a part of his work. Mr. Corpening, who has just finished his contract on the three C.'s, will move on to his section that has just been awarded him, from Hendersonville county line to Asheville, upon a word's notice from the engineer. The work along the French Broad is now being side staked, and Mr. T. C. Brown has been assigned to that. The work in the office still goes on under the management of Major W. G. Stone, who, with the other competent assistants, lightens the duties of the Chief Engineer, Maj. H. M. Ramseur, and renders his work comparatively easy. Mr. William Hume, of Asheville, is connected with this office, and is rendering invaluable assistance."

"Capt. A. B. Fortune, a prominent railroad contractor of Asheville, was in the city on Tuesday last, on his way to Abbeville, S. C., where he is finishing a contract with the G. C. and N. R. R. Capt. Fortune told us that he would complete his work in South Carolina in time to take a contract on the F. B. Valley Railroad from Reedy Patch Gap to the Rutherford county line. The Captain is a most successful business man, upright and high toned in all his dealings, and we are glad to note is deservedly prospering."

County Conventions.

The Democrats of this 12th Judicial district will hold their district convention on July 24, to nominate a solicitor. The counties composing the district will hold conventions prior thereto to select delegates. At these same county conventions delegates should also be chosen to represent the counties in the Congressional and State conventions. These county conventions, therefore, will be very important, and the fullest notice of time and place should be given so that the people of the townships may have full notice to hold and attend in force, the township primaries to select delegates to the county convention. Attend to this, chairmen of the several counties.

Formed an Alliance of His Own.

Our excellent friend Hon. J. M. Gudger, Sr., being a distinguished member of the Bar, has been denied the pleasure of joining the Farmers' Alliance, so to get even, and even ahead of a distinguished competitor for high public honors who enjoys that privilege, he has formed an alliance of his own, and on Tuesday, 17th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, W. E. Peacy, Esq., of Yancey, he married Mrs. Sarah Houston, Rev. W. B. Lyda officiating. Col. J. S. McElroy was best man, and Mrs. Col. McElroy bridesmaid. The many friends of the happy couple unite in sincere congratulations.

A Suggestion.

The time for taking the census is limited; but every citizen is interested in having a correct one made. We therefore suggest, and hope all citizens will make it a point to think of the matter, that should any citizen of Asheville be overlooked by the enumerators the names of all such be furnished promptly, or attention be called to them so they can be enumerated. It is important to Asheville that the names of every resident be taken. If this be done we feel assured our population will go above 14,000. The enumerators will gladly accept any assistance of this kind.

The Teacher's Assembly.

The Teachers' Assembly at Morehead City last week was a most interesting occasion. The attendance was large from all over the State. Kate Field's lecture upon Charles Dickens was an interesting feature of the occasion. A model school conducted by Miss Mary Marsh of Raleigh, and Miss Nannie Burke of Morganton attracted much admiration. The guests of the Atlantic Hotel on Saturday reached six hundred and seventy while all the other hotels of Morehead were crowded.

THE EAVES FIGHT.

The Whole State to be Made One District.

We learn privately that since the nomination of Mr. Eaves was rejected that certain influences were at work to consolidate the whole State into one district. Well, let Mr. Ewart and Dr. Mott and Mr. Eaves permit this to be done! It is nonsense to say the whole State ought to be in one district; but let these radicals do it. We Democrats are satisfied.

To Business Men.

Do you wish to do business with the people of Asheville, of Buncombe county, of Western North Carolina, of East Tennessee?

If so should you not advertise where it will do the most good?

Is not the paper having the largest circulation in this territory, among all classes whose trade you want, the paper to advertise in?

THE ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT is certainly such a paper. Its circulation is larger than any other paper, and it is increasing daily.

It is the best paper to advertise industries, city property, timber lands, farms, mines, etc., etc., as it has a larger circulation at home and abroad than any other paper. More copies of THE DEMOCRAT are sent North, West and to other sections, every week, than of any other paper, averaging the past several weeks from one hundred to several hundred copies over and above our regular circulation.

Rates are reasonable, and we invite the attention of all interested to THE DEMOCRAT as an advertising medium.

THE DEMOCRAT does more free advertising of the material resources, improvements and attractions of this entire section than any other paper.

Use its columns business men of Asheville and Western Carolina.

FURMAN & VANCE, Publishers.

Good News for the Ladies.

Sawyer always consults the convenience as well as tastes of the ladies. He has removed his Carpet Department from the 2nd to the 1st floor of his store, 15 Patton Avenue. The ladies will now have no trouble in examining his immense stock of carpets, matings, floor oil-cloths, rugs, art squares, window curtains and shades, table covers, portieres, tapestries, etc. His stock of these is very complete, very beautiful and not surpassed in the State.

CLOTHING.

His stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods is very full representing all grades from the cheapest to the best. He carries a full line of Strouse & Bros. finest clothing. No other house in the city handle their goods. None better.

HATS.

A full line of Men's and Boys' Saxony Straw, Fur and Silk Hats.

It is a pleasure for ladies and gentlemen to go through and inspect the fine display in every department. They always buy when they see them.

Election of Officers.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias met in Durham last week. The following grand officers were elected for the ensuing year:

P. G. C.—Thos. D. Meares, Wilmington.
G. C.—W. S. Cook, Fayetteville.
G. V. C.—F. L. Jacobs, Asheville.
G. Prelate—W. B. Harker, Maxton.
G. K. of R. and S.—John L. Dudley, Wilmington.

G. M. and Ex.—John Ward, Raleigh.
G. M. at A.—G. M. Whitfield, Laurinburg.
G. I. G.—J. H. Southgate, Durham.
G. O. G.—C. E. Holten, Greensboro.

During the administration of Thos. D. Meares, the retiring grand chancellor, the membership in this jurisdiction increased eighty-three per cent. As a token of appreciation, the members of the grand lodge presented him with a massive gold chain and charm.

The Grand Lodge meets in Asheville next year. Messrs. C. C. McCarty and F. L. Jacobs represented the Asheville Lodge in the Grand Lodge.

Judicial Convention.

Mr. R. D. Gilmer, chairman of the Democratic executive committee for this the 12th judicial district has called a convention of the party to meet at Bryson City on Thursday, July 24, to nominate a candidate for solicitor. The executive committees of the counties forming the district are requested to call county conventions in time to choose delegates to said district convention. Our democratic friends throughout the district will please take notice.

Married.

On the 12th inst., Mr. J. W. Parham to Miss Mary Foster, all of Leicester, J. W. Nash, J. P. officiating.

J. S. Grant, Ph. G.

(Of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.)

Apothecary, 24 South Main St.

If your prescriptions are prepared at Grant's Pharmacy you can positively depend upon these facts: First, that only the purest and best drugs and chemicals will be used; second, they will be compounded carefully and accurately by an experienced Prescriptionist, and third, you will not be charged an exorbitant price. You will receive the best goods at a very reasonable profit. Don't forget the place—Grant's Pharmacy, 24 South Main street.

Prescriptions filled at all hours, night or day, and delivered free of charge to any part of the city. The night bell will be answered promptly. Grant's Pharmacy, 24 South Main street.

At Grant's Pharmacy you can buy any Patent Medicine at the lowest price quoted by any other drug house in the city. We are determined to sell as low as the lowest, even if we have to lose money by so doing. We will sell all Patent Medicines at first cost, and below that if necessary, to meet the price of any competitor.

We have the largest assortment of Chamotte Skins in Asheville. Over 200 skins, all sizes, at the lowest prices.

We are agents for Humphrey's Homoeopathic Medicines. A full supply of his goods always on hand.

Use Buncombe Liver Pills, the best in the world for liver complaint, indigestion, etc.

A thoroughly reliable remedy for all blood diseases is Buncombe Sarsaparilla. Try a bottle and you will take no other.

J. S. GRANT, Ph. G., Pharmacist,

24 S. Main St. Asheville, N. C.

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Undertaking.

No. 32 Patton Avenue,

McCafee Block, Opposite Blair's Old Stand.

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Which we are offering at

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