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## LAW'S THREE STORES,

NOS. 57, 59 AND 61 SOUTH MAIN STREET.

CHARLOTTE.

the Dilworth Land Sale.

Charlotte has improved more steadily 41 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C. since the war than any town in the State. She has never depended on spurts and booms. When it was found that the large railroad connections which were hers did not suffice to make the town grow like it should, her substantial citizens went down in their own pockets and began to build factories. To day she has a million and nine hundred thousand invested in home factories. Her commercial business has increased and many splendid new business houes adorn her two magnificent central streets, Trade and Tryon. The vacant lots and old fields which a few years ago were found in every one of her four wards have been built up her suburbs are the scenes of busy manufacturing enterprises with their immense plants and neat cottages for the operatives. The main streets of the town are in splendid condition, paved from end to end with finished McAdam. The town is more compactly built than any in North Carolina, and yet nearly every yard has a lawn and is blooming with the flowers of Spring, whose fragrance pervades the amosphere. Magnificent oaks and beautiful elms shade the streets. Charlotte is an altogether lovely Southern town. Its substantial people have the warm hearts that burn under the Southern sun, the graceful manners of the Old South, the energy and enterprise of the New.

> Such was the verdict of the thousands of visitors who attended a few weeks ago her annual music festival, and the others who were there last week for the anniversary of the Meclenburg declaration suburb of Charlotte.

The opening up of the electric car line, a splendid display of fire works, a Winston and Columbia were among the lots, to which were attracted many buy-

ers from all parts of the country. ago. The younger generation of the Charlotte Consolidated Construction railway organized and constructed, su sales were more successful than even the company itself had hoped, and many buyers were offered la: ge advances on their purchases.

Winston won every one of the three ball games, being much stronger batters lowing object-lesson, which we earnestly than the Columbias. ...

The fire works display was grand and the grounds of the graded school.

Her people will no longer be content The same is true of Birmingham and of nishing their offices. Dr. Will is a marwith the slow and steady progress which South Pittsburg, Knoxville, Atlanta and ried man, and his good wife, we dare say, has always been hers, but, catching the spirit of Asheville, will advance with giant strides, keeping full pace with the splendid progress of the Piedmont sec | wherever they are erected." tion, the mountains and the southwestern

slopes of the Alleghanies.

poned for a year a revision of their faith induced to be established here.

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Getting Ready for Work.

The aldermen and advisory committee held ther first meeting Monday night, all being present except Aldermen Reynolds and Gudger, and Committeeman Hon. J. S. Bell, of Clay, Lecturer for Scott. Alderman Brevard presided.

Citty Attorney Cobb was instructed follows: to prepare the necessary bonds for pav-

The following resolution, which was adopted, was offered by Commissioner

aldermen and three advisory commissioners be appointed to report as to what of pavement on each street; whether any son City, Tuesday, June 9. of the streets mentioned should be wid ened, and how they will be widened, by the parties or by the city, and the grade and all such other matters as may be suggested to them relative to the preparation of the streets for paving."

dermen Reynolds, Starnes and Leonard. and Commissioners Summey, Cummings and Scott were appointed on the com-

The first regular joint meeting of the take place next Monday night, and regular meetings will be held thereafter on in this work. the first Monday night in each mouth.

City Attorney Cobb urged the employment of a city engineer whose reputation for such work is so established that it would not only insure good work, but would give confidence in the work. It was a timely and most important suggestion, and we hope to see it carried out

#### The Market House Again.

Is it just to the property owners on the Square to go around to Market Street or Spruce Street to enter the market and the sale of lots in Dilworth, the new House? For that is precisely what the present plan involves, whereas, a street on all sides would enable all citizens on the Square or west of Main Street to enter series of three games of baseball between from either side of the court house. Besides, concentrating all the meat, Pearson delivered a cordial address of attractions, to say nothing of the sale of hucksters and floral markets in one locality, as is contemplated, will necessa- behalf of the Society by Dr L. J. Picot rily largely increase the people on the of Littleton, N. C. Charlotte took on fresh life two years Square in going to the market house; and the danger of the fire department of the Society, then delivered his annual town began to assert themselves. The being called out at this time, when these a dress, which was pronounced one of streets would be thus crowded with! Company was organized, the electric women and children and vehicles, would Society. It was referred to a committee burban property purchased, a splendid And one life would be worth more than park laid out and 1600 lots platted off. the entire market house with all its ap-Over three hundred of them we e sold on pertenances. With this fire department Von Ruck, on Tuesday evening. the 20th, 22nd and 23rd of May, the sales elsewhere would leave ample room for a growing better each day and the buyers street from the Square on the north side Heights Sanatorium, and to day they begging for more lots to be offered when of the market, and thus giving convenient the sales were closed up on the 23rd. Al- access from all points. We do not believe though far out of town, 50 foot lots sold the plan as at present agreed upon will them. for from \$8 to \$17.50 a front foot. The be satisfactory, and forty thousand dollars is far too much to spend in unsatisfactory, not to say unsafe, work.

#### An Object-Lesson for Asheville. The Norfolk Landmark gives the fol-

commend to Asheville: was attended by an immense crowd in encouraging industries. Roanoke owes elegant building, elegantly finished It is evident that Charlotte is coming. lishment of manufacturing industries, used the good taste they possess in fur-

To the enterprise of the 4 C's company of various kinds, all of which, we are his offices. We will be pardoned for Byers will have charge, and years' expeis she indebted in great measure for this more than satisfied to learn, are doing suggesting that the excellent taste of rience in conducting first-class barber awakening and advance in real estate all well and constantly growing in prosper- Mrs. W. D. Hilliard had much to do shops guarantees the best work. Noth-The Northern Presbyterians have post- only those we have, but such as can be apartments, and "await the pleasure of in the Cosmopolitan Pariors. Go and be

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

District Alliance Lecturer Bell's Ap. pointments.

this Distsict, will address the public as to the city.

Burnsville, Wednesday, May 27; Morgan Hill, Friday, May 29; Asheville, Saturday, May 30; Hendersonville, Monday, June 1; Brevard, Tuesday, June 2; Columbus, Wednesday, June 3; Mills Spring, "Resolved, That a committee of three Thurs ay, June 4; Rutherfordton, Friday, June 5; Marion, Saturday, June 6; streets should be first paved; what kind Old Fort, Saturday (night), June 6; Bry-

Speaking will begin promptly at 11 o'clock. All the people are cordiall. for the same; as to the employment of invited to attend these meetings, as they an engineer to superintend the grading; will be public, excepting an afternoon meeting, which will be deveted to drilling County and Sub-Alliances, and es-In accordance with the resolution Al- pecially all the Lecturers, in the unwritten work of the order.

It is very important that a full attend ance be present, as a better system of lecturing in every county will be organ ized to aid in carrying on the educational board and the advisory commission will interest of the Alliance. Other promi nent Alliancemen will assist brother Bell R. B. VANCE,

President 9th District Alliance. W. F. TOMLINSON,

Secretary 9th District Alliance.

#### The Medical Convention.

The State Medical Association met in this city Tuesday morning. A very large number of the physicians of the State are in attendance, and a splendid body of men it is.

Mr. M. H. Fletcher, President of the Buncombe County Medical Society, called

the convention to order. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Byrd of the Central M. E. Church, South. In behalf of the local physicians and

our citizens generally, Hon. Richmond welcome, which was responded to on Dr. R. H. Lewis, of Raleigh, President

the ablest papers ever read before the certainly endanger life and property. consisting of Drs. Ball, Way and Brown. The Society enjoyed a reception given complimentary to them by Dr. and Mrs.

> On Wednesday they dired at Oakland were taken on a special train to Hot Springs where a banquet was tendered

> Over fifty young physicians are in attendance for examination by the State Board.

#### Elegant Apartments.

Drs. W. D. and Charles Hilliard have removed their offices to the Hilliard "Chattanooga made her first start by Building, South Main Street. It is an her extraordinary growth to the estab? throughout; but these doctors have the thriving, growing cities of the had something to do with the elegant West and South. Industries pay them- furnishing and appointments of his selves and make the land worth more offices. Dr. Charles is a "young man," with "heart and fancy free," (or words to parlor, with hot, cold and shower baths. Asheville has already a number of that effect), but he crowds his married It is to be known as The Cosmopolitan excellent manufacturing establishments brother mightily in the appointments of Tonsorial Parlor and Bath Rooms. A. L. ity and facilities. But we need more with the arrangement of both offices. ing that is not first class in all respects Let every encouragement be given, not However, these gentlemen have elegant will be permitted or allowed to be done their many friends."

#### Mason's Temple.

The latest and one of the most praiseworthy of Asheville's new enterprises is the erection of a Mason's Temple, which will be at once a credit to the Craft and

It is proposed to build upon the lot immediately adjoining the Cosmopolitan even if we have to lose money by so doing, Club, South Main Street, an extremely handsome and entirely modern structure, of which the first floor shall be devoted to stores, the second to offices, and the third and fourth to Masonic purposes.

The company has already secured the land, by arrangement with Messrs. W. T. Penniman and J. G. Martin, and, in addition, over five thousand dollars of stock have been subscribed. There is no doubt in the world that the scheme will be successfully carried to completion.

It is intended that the Masonic quarters shall be unexcelled in convenience and appointments by any in the South. There will be separate rooms and furniture for the Blue Lodge, the Chapter, the Commandery and the Consistory Elevators, ante-roome, reading rooms, lavatories and all other accessories will be found in this new temple and the Masons of Asheville and North Carolina will find there headquarters and a home worthy of their Craft, their State and their city.

#### Our County Roads.

On next Moday the justices of the county will meet with the county com missioners to fix the tax levy for the year, elect a Judge, Solicitor and Clerk of the Criminal Court, and levy a tax for the improvement of the county roads.

Of this road tax the DEMOCRAT wishes to suggest:

The tax should not be less than fifteen cents on the hundred dollars of property A first-class county superintendent of GRAHAM WAFERS, roads, an engineer and practical working man, should be chosen, whose duty it should be to survey and fix the grades and width of the roads and superintend the construction of the roads.

All the roads cannot be made good in one year but what is done should be intelligently and permanently done. It will be economy in the end. It will take all the tax allowed by law to do good work, and even this is a low allowance. This road matter is the most important duty the justices and commissioners will be called on to do, and we trust it may receive such earnest and careful consideration as its importance demands.

Of Course They Will be Invited. Hon. H. A. London, editor of the Chatham Record, will attend the National Editorial Convention which meets in St. Paul, Minn., in July. He suggests that it will give him great pleasure to be the bearer of an invitation from the citizens of Asheville for the Association to hold its next annual convention in this city Let them be invited by all means. We suggest that the Commercial Club and the city authorities unite in authorizing Mr. London to extend the invitation and urge its acceptance. Let it be done at once. It will be a grand thing for both Asheville and the Association.

A Handsome Tonsorial Parlor. Mr. T. F. Starnes has fitted up the stand formerly occupied by Mr. J. M. Heston, in Eagle Block, for a tonsorial

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