

BEGINS TO-DAY !!

Did you get a notice telling you about the special sale to begin on the 15th? It starts to-day!! To those who have put off buying until after the holidays are over, will now find a golden opportunity. January always means stock-taking. We do not take stock as early as some, because we prefer counting dollars just now, rather than yards and dozens. I have been selling goods over eighteen years and have always made it a rule to visit the large cities just after the holidays, as it is a great bargain making time—the merchants being anxious to close out what winter goods they have left. I have just returned from the North. We begin our annual January reduction sale to-day. No goods will be carried over, that can possibly be sold now. We have been marking every thing down, and we intend to make this sale one for the people. Pardon us, we do not intend it as boasting, but there is no store in Elizabeth City that has tried to do more to merit the patronage of the public, than Mitchell's. He has given away hundreds of dollars worth of presents to his customers besides, paying a license to do so. People are continually asking, what will he do next? Well, he is doing the biggest thing now, ever done. Go and get one of his punch cards. He is giving them away free. The punch card amounts to only five dollars and you have a whole month to trade it out—you or any of your friends can trade with the same card. If you only buy five cents worth of goods, it is punched from your card—when you have finished trading the amount of your card, you are entitled to your choice of any of the elegant presents for the trifling sum of 10 cents. Each present is worth from 75 cents to \$1.00 each. The presents are now on exhibition. The charge of ten cents is only to pay the freight on the presents from the factory. We mention a few of them:

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Decorated Parlor Desks.
Crystal Glass Table Center Pieces.
Large Majolica Pitchers. Several styles
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Christmas at \$1 pair, now only 10c pr.
Large China Tea Pots.
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Ducks, Chickens and Rooster Dishes,
the New Novelty.

A visit to our store will convince you that we are in dead earnest. The counters are piled with goods, with big price tickets telling their own story. Here are a few prices, for this sale only. It's only a hint what we are doing. Come and see for yourself.

Clark's O. N. T. Spool Cotton, 3 spools for 10 cents.
Dragon Spool Cotton, the best hand-sewing made, 3 spools for 5 cents or 18 cents per dozen.
Vard wide "Fruit of Loom" bleached Cottons at 64 cents yard. You may buy but to yards. The limit is made to keep other merchants away from the bargain that's meant for our friends.
Children's fast black ribbed hose (all sizes) 5 cents pair.
Boys and Misses, best black hose, the 12 1/2 cent kind, 9 cents pair, 3 for 25 cents.
Good quality dress Outings only 5c yard.
Best Calico, was 6 and 7 cents, all go now at 5 cents yard.
25 pieces New Windsor Suitings at 7 cents yard.

LADIES DRESS GOODS:
All 25 cent Serges, now 15 cents yard.
50 cent Serges, going at 10 cents yard.
Broadened Black Dress Goods, was 26c, now at 19 cents yard.
New Pompadour Suitings, 40 in. wide, only 29c, was cheap at 37 1/2 cents.
A new lot of mixed Dress Goods, all wool, at 29c yard. The best value ever offered. Entirely new.
Genuine Margallies Quilts at \$1.25.
100 large Towels at 10 cents. The biggest you ever saw.
Bleached Table Damask, good quality, at 25 cents yard.
Ladies ready-made Percale Wrappers, cheaper than you can make them, only 98 cents.
Men's heavy knit Overshirts at 38 cts.
50 cent wool Overshirts at 37 1/2 cts. now.
New Spring Percale Shirts, with collar and cuffs, ought to be \$1.00 and would be were there no MITCHELL'S. The price is 50 cts. and 75 cts.
The best unlaundried shirts ever sold at this price; you paid \$1.00 for these before things got cheap; the price now only 49 cents. All lined, double back and front.

MITCHELL,
Senator Marion Butler is trying very hard to retain his management of the Populist party of North Carolina, but the chances are rather against him. Congressman Harry Skinner has set up an opposition management, and as the Republican party has patronage at its disposal with which to do business than Senator Butler has, the probabilities are that Mr. Skinner will succeed in the effort that he is making to secure the Senatorship for Senator Pritchard.

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ELIZABETH CITY, Jan. 15th, 1897.

The bill introduced in the Legislature to establish a State reformatory for youthful criminals, appropriates \$30,000 for that purpose.

"To put to sleep," is a favorite bit of slang of the prize ring. It should be "to put to death" in some cases. This would be more striking and nearer the truth.

Bloomers shall not bloom in Kansas, so says Representative Lambert of the Legislature.

Is it possible the introducing of bills to prevent the wearing of bloomers is the best work Kansas Legislature can find to do?

The strength of the three parties in the Legislature is officially reported to be, as shown by the caucuses: Republicans 71, Populists 59, Democrats 40. The Republicans claimed 72 and the Populists 60. It requires 86 votes to elect a Senator.

Mr. Pearson, of Burke County introduced the following bill in the Legislature last Monday: It shall be unlawful for any railroad company to purchase or lease any competing line of railway or to enter into any contract with a competing line of railway calculated to defeat or lessen competition in North Carolina.

Newspapers that record the deeds of the good and true in preference to hunting for the depraved deeds of society to parade before their readers are encouraging good deeds and are valuable factors among the institutions of a town. A person that speaks of the good traits of a neighbor and fosters peace is a peacemaker; while the person who has no good to say of a person and is frequently in a quarrel with his neighbor is no promoter of citizenship.

Governor Carr in his biennial message to the Legislature recommends that the working day be limited to eleven hours and that no child under 12 years of age be allowed to work in any building. He says the taxes in North Carolina are lower than in any other State in the Union. He heartily indorses the lease of the North Carolina Railway to the Southern Railway for ninety-nine years. He recommends the purchase by the State of the farm lands on Roanoke river, now leased and operated by the State convicts. He says the State must commit itself to the employment of the convicts on State farms; that he sees on other alternative.

Prison management is one of the questions that has been giving the Legislatures of a number of States a good deal of trouble recently. There is widespread opposition on the part of various trade organizations to the employment of convict labor in the manufacture of goods which have come in competition with articles produced by honest labor and in a number of States laws have been enacted prohibiting the employment of convicts. New York has recently abolished convict labor, the law to that effect having gone into operation the first of the present year, and already there are indications that it is going to cause trouble to the keepers of prisons, as several of them testify that they find difficulty in managing idle prisoners. At Sing Sing a few days ago, a prisoner attempted to kill himself because he had nothing to occupy his mind, and the keeper of that prison has received numerous letters from convicts begging that they be put to work. The Warden states the prisoners instead of being cheerful, as formerly, are now despondent, and are more difficult to manage.—Ex.

Interesting

Notes From Various Points Around and About us.
Of a Personal and Newsy Character.

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EDENTON, N. C.

J. N. Elliott has gone to Norfolk, where he will open a fine restaurant on Main street.

W. R. Brothers returned home this week after a pleasant visit to his mother at Chapanoke.

Miss Pattie Warren, who has been visiting in New York, has returned to her home in this city.

Z. W. Berry has returned from Camden and resumed his position at the store of A. T. Bush.

A slight fire occurred Sunday morning near the wharf in the old Badham store; but little damage done.

The charming Miss Lena Wilkerson, of Washington, N. C., is here on a visit to Miss Lida Wilkerson.

Miss Mattie Tillery is home again after an extended visit to friends at Scotland Neck and other places.

Axam Goodwin died yesterday morning at his home near Rockyhook, this county, in the 70th year of his age.

Miss Madge Bond returned home this week from Virginia, accompanied by Miss Sallie Powell, of Emporia, Va.

About fifteen Northern men arrived here this week to fish gill nets for some of our fishermen, but fish are scarce.

Capt. C. H. Banks and wife, who have been spending their holidays at Annapolis, Md., returned home this week, to the delight of their many friends.

Prof. Wm. B. Landenslager, Warren Somers, C. C. Sheim and Dr. A. D. Cuskaden, of Atlantic City, N. J., are here this week on a hunting trip, and they are having some fine sport.

Extensive improvements have recently been made at the ice factory. A large storage room and an excellent pier have been built. Manager Conger is a wide awake business man.

On Tuesday last Mrs. Mary Ann Richardson, wife of H. L. Richardson, departed this life in the 47th year of her age. She was buried on Wednesday near Bethel church, in Perquimans county. We extend to the bereaved family our sympathies.

Last Saturday night the 14 year old daughter of John Hathaway, colored, was burned to death, and another, the daughter of Patient Skinner, colored, is not expected to live—the result of the careless handling of a kerosene lamp. They were in a room together and started to go to an adjoining room with a lamp. The lamp flickered and they threw it to the floor. It exploded and both were burned.

Mrs. Theodore Ralph died at her home, on Broad street, in this city Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Ralph's illness was only of a short duration and the announcement of her death sent a sudden thrill of sorrow to the hearts of her many friends in the city. The announcement will be read with feelings of sincere regret, and with tenderest sympathy for her husband by a large number of friends throughout this and the adjoining counties. She was a woman of most lovable character, of strong mind and sweet disposition, a consecrated christian, whose home was her happy realm and whose husband and children were her dearest idols. Mrs. Ralph was Miss Fannie Spruill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Spruill, of Columbia, N. C. She was taken sick a few days before Christmas, from which time she grew gradually worse until Sunday night, a few moments before 8 o'clock when, surrounded by her heart-broken husband and weeping little ones, and several relatives and friends, her sweet spirit took its flight to the home of the pure and good. The greatest sorrow comes to her husband and to her five little children, with whom numerous kindred and friends are in deepest sympathy.

Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the funeral service took place at the Baptist church, of which the deceased was a member. The service was indeed a sad one, and was conducted by her pastor Rev. W. F. Watson, assisted by Rev. J. L. Rumley. From the church her remains were followed by a large concourse of sympathizing friends to Beaver Hill Cemetery, where the body of this good woman was committed to earth to await the resurrection morn.

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CAMDEN C. IL.

Mr. W. R. Gilbert spent last Tuesday in E. City.

Miss Lillie B. Sawyer spent last Sunday at "Churchill."

Mrs. B. F. Gilbert is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. F. Forbes, at Lynhaven, Va.

Mr. J. L. F. Sawyer and little son, Paul, were in E. City last Tuesday on business.

Rev. T. G. Wood left Monday for Winton, N. C., to attend to some business matters.

Mrs. O. G. Pritchard, after spending a few days in E. City, returned home Saturday.

Mr. Chas. Morgan, the well known photographer, was in our place this week looking well pleased as usual.

Miss Mary J. Wood, of Belcross, left yesterday for Berkeley where she will spend sometime with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell, recently of Shawbo, are now residents of our place. We are glad to have such good neighbors.

Mr. Harry Pearson, Havre-de-Grace, Md., is spending some time at "Eden Grove" with the family of his uncle, E. M. Sawyer.

Mr. Ed. S. Tillitt, one of our popular young men, returned last week from an extended trip to Tunis, Murfreesboro and other points.

Owing to the illness of Miss Ella Gilbert, Miss Mary Wood taught school in her place Monday and Tuesday at the Belcross Academy.

Mrs. Frank Bell returned to her home in Elizabeth City Monday, after spending a very pleasant visit with her brother, Mr. H. S. Gilbert.

Miss Leah Trafon, of Belcross, has been visiting Miss Sallie Jennings at "Pomona Quarter," and returned home delighted with her visit.

A large number of people gathered on the grounds at Nash's Chapel last Sunday and when the hour of service came, all convened in the building and listened very attentively to the beautiful discourse so ably delivered by the pastor.

The Sunday school at Herling's school house gave its annual celebration Thursday, Jan. 7th. There were quite a number present. The program consisted of recitations and singing, which was much enjoyed by all who heard them, which proves the school to be composed of bright, willing scholars as well as striving faithful teachers. Each scholar was rewarded for their years work and went home rejoicing.

Manteo, Dare Co.
Mrs. Wright left Monday for Perquimans county where she will spend some time.

Miss Bessie W. Baker, of this place, left Thursday to enter St. Mary's College at Raleigh.

Rev. Stallens, of Moyock, held his usual service at the Baptist church at this place last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Casey, who have been visiting at Stumpy Point, returned to their home Sunday.

An entertainment was given at the Court House last Friday and Saturday nights by the Ladies Aid Society. Quite a neat sum was realized.

On Wednesday, January 6th, while the family of Rev. G. D. Langston were quietly at tea there was heard a thundering knock on the front door. With frightened surprise pictured on each face the door was opened and in there came bundles, baskets, buckets, chairs, carpets and hosts of other things that make the heart of a pastor warm. After all had entered, a calm still as midnight fell on each while all joined in cottage prayer meeting. Then all dispersed with bright eyes and beaming faces, knowing "That it is more blessed to give than to receive."

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Take care of the farm implements and machinery. It would seem that no word or suggestion or warning is necessary on this point, but it would surprise the general reader if he were traveling over the country to note the evidences of carelessness which are so often seen. The provident and painstaking farmer has a place for his implements, where he sees to it they are housed and properly cared for when they are no longer required in the cultivation of crops. His improvident neighbor sometimes leaves his implements where they are used last, or about his premises, without shelter. Even his harrow or mowing machine is left in the field long after it has been used, subjected to all kinds of weather and inevitable injury. The cost of repairs is necessarily increased under such excusable neglect, and the period when a new machine will be necessary is much shortened. The care of tools is an important factor in farm economy and while not necessary for the provident man, may be serviceable to such as are too remiss in this direction.—Ex.

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