



Madam:

Here's Your Shopping List

HERE are the things a man appreciates, offered by a store that makes a special study of men's needs.

You can't possibly do better than come to us for men's gifts, for we KNOW what pleases men—that's our business.

Read over these offerings, mark the things that interest you and see us Monday. Early shopping means better selections.

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| Bath Robes, | Gard Cases, |
| Walking Sticks, | Leather Novelties, |
| Traveling Requisites, | Tie Holders, |
| Gift Handkerchiefs, | Ties, Pajamas, |
| Hats, | Caps, Umbrellas, |
| Silk Mufflers, | Auto Gloves, |
| Silk Hose, | Kid Gloves, |
| Military Brushes, | Collar Bags, |
| Toilet Sets, | Combination Sets, |
| Full Dress Suits, | Cigarette Cases, |
| Tuxedo Suits, | (Silver and Gunmetal) |
| Opera Hats, | Glove Cases, |
| Pocket Books, | Handkerchief Cases. |

MEN: Are you fully prepared for the Holidays? There will surely be occasion during the next few weeks that will demand a little extra "fixing up" on your part.

Come in Monday and let us attend to the details. We are splendidly ready with just the sort of things you need, and we don't ask you to take our word for it, we simply ask you to come in and see for yourself.

Graham's

A PROGRAM OF LEGISLATION

Suggestions Made as to Chances for Coming Legislature to Enact Laws That Will Tend to Progress for North Carolina.

(Raleigh News and Observer.)

The General Assembly to meet in January has the opportunity and the call to make a record memorable in North Carolina's history for constructive legislation. The State's character is such as to be "Not the first, by whom the new is tried, Nor yet the last to cast the old aside."

And we believe that the coming General Assembly should not venture into experimental legislation, but that, looking abroad to the measures that have been enacted and tried and found good in other Commonwealths, it should give North Carolina a series of modern, approved, progressive measures that will put her in the van-

public education. New Mexico alone is behind us in this matter.

We must also have a corrupt practice act—relating both to primary, general and municipal elections. Every dollar spent in politics should be accounted for both prior to and immediately after a primary or an election, the purposes for which money may be expended should be specific, well-defined and limited to worthy objects; and heavy penalties should be put upon every unlawful use of money or patronage in political contests.

We must have an anti-trust law that will convince every trust magnate in the land that North Carolina's trust laws are for a monopoly or a trust that will breathe and live; an anti-trust law so true and strong that there will be no debate about its working, so plain that those who vote upon its passage will thereby declare once and forever how they stand on this great question.

The time has come, the opportunity is ripe, for the General Assembly to give a great record of service to the farmers of North Carolina. The Torrens system of land title registration ought to be instituted on the voluntary basis—that is, leaving the use of it to those who desire to use it. Right along with this should come such a law as may be needed to set up in North Carolina some such system of rural credit as the farmers of Europe are now enjoying. Our agricultural classes have long labored under the handicap of having to pay more for credit—and getting less of it—than any other class. It is simple common sense that the State that does most to advance the interests of its farmers does the most for all its people.

North Carolina has here the timely opportunity to put this Commonwealth in advance of all her sisters. Our child-labor laws must be improved. After July 1, 1913, it should not be said that either women or children work at night in North Carolina factories or that children under 14 are worked in factories instead of sent to school. It is of the very essence of civilization that we safeguard our children—the future Commonwealth. One hundred children educated cannot compensate the State for one neglected child.

North Carolina is suffering from an outgrown system of taxation. We must have a system, well adapted, that will reach the man that now escapes taxation; and write such model and modern taxing laws as will raise sufficient revenue to meet the growing needs of the State. Our existing laws and their execution lag behind with the greater prosperity. Our laws have not been sufficiently well drawn, or executed, or both, to secure the necessary revenues. In this connection we may remark that the creation of the office of county auditor (the occupant of that office being also tax assessor for the county) has been worth thousands of dollars annually to the people of Wake County.

We need also in North Carolina an optional plan of the commission form of government for cities of ten thousand population or more. This system of municipal government has proved an economical and administrative success wherever it has been fairly tried. Where the old system has resulted in hopeless failure, the commission plan has achieved success. It has now been tried in two of our chief cities—Greensboro and Wilmington. We have only good reports of improved city government from them. May we not have a statute enabling our cities to set up this plan whenever they want it, without having a special law enacted?

The discriminations against North Carolina cities and in favor of Virginia and Georgia cities in the matter of freight rates are a grave handicap to the whole State. These discriminations inevitably lead to impoverished North Carolina, inflicting a wrong that every North Carolinian must resent. North Carolina consumers pay higher prices on a variety of goods than consumers in other States. The General Assembly should register an emphatic protest against this outrage, addressed to both the Interstate Commerce Commission and to Congress. In this time a special committee should be appointed, with instructions to report back to the General Assembly before it adjourns, to investigate the responsibility for this wrong. If the bill in the Interstate Commerce Commission, let us know it; if our representation in Congress has left undone anything it ought to have done, let us know it. If our State departments are not measuring up to their full duty in this matter, let us know it.

Let us have a word, however, in exposure of this grievous discrimination against North Carolina, and an end of it.

The subject of the public health is of importance second to none. North Carolina, in common with other States, is awakening to the supreme value of proper legislation in preventing disease and, therefore, saving life and efficiency. We must have a North Carolina thorough-going system of registering births, death, and diseases. Until we shall have done this, we cannot know what the conditions are in respect to contagious diseases. Nor can we know whether the means we are employing are efficient or not. Nobody knows what the death rate in North Carolina is. Nobody knows whether our sanitary measures in North Carolina are effectual or not. This system of birth, death and disease registration is, therefore, fundamental to the great economy of physical efficiency and the great cause of preventing disease and saving life in North Carolina. Related as it is to the very root of the common welfare, it cannot longer be neglected without inviting a just reproach upon those who have the power to institute the system.

Here are ten great measures that the next General Assembly may give to North Carolina. They are desirable. They are sound. They have been proved good.

North Carolina wants them. North Carolina expects to have them, and others that will be discussed later.

The legislators are now at home. They have time to study and think and hear clearly. After they come to Raleigh, they may not see or think or hear so clearly as now. Let them now talk over these matters and citizens of importance with their people. Let their people now talk over matters with them. And let them ponder over these measures in their hearts, saying "if these things are good for North Carolina, as citizens and legislators, true and loyal, we will see to it that she gets them."

These measures are coming, gentlemen of the General Assembly. They will, when they come, be monumental of your wisdom and patriotism. If they come in your hour; and monumental likewise of your blindness or indifference if they come in a later hour. These measures and other measures of progress are coming. Democrats of North Carolina; they will come, if they come in this great hour of Democratic triumph, to prolong that hour; but if not, they will come nevertheless through Democratic legislators in accord with the spirit of the age. God forbid that they should come to our dismay. The opportunity presents itself to us. If we pass it on to others, we must blame only ourselves that we were not worthy of it.

The great tide of Democracy is running now in fullness and in power.

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The people are awakened and aroused. They know of late what they want; and they know how to bring it to pass. He who thinks that he can resist it is no wiser than the fool who undertook to beat back the sea with his poor king's scepter. More resilient than the sea is the will of the people. They have seen their goal. They are moving on. One can choose not to help them move on; but he cannot choose not to move on. They will move him. Assuredly he may get in their way, but he cannot stay them in their mighty progress. Far better is it to join in the great onward march of humanity and contribute a man's full share to its noble consummation.

GREENSBORO NEWS

Marauders Attempt to Dynamite Church—Popular Young Man Ill—Mayor Watlington a Candidate for Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

(Special to The Chronicle.)

GREENSBORO, Dec. 14.—In a belief that money was buried beneath the foundation of Friends Lutheran church near Gibsonville two unknown parties made an unsuccessful effort to dynamite the church a few nights ago, according to a report brought here by a farmer of that section. It is stated that a young man named

Timmers was passing the church after midnight and that he noticed a dim light burning beneath the flooring. He could not see who the men were, but when he halted they ran. Summoning help he made an examination and it was found that a big hole had been made immediately beneath the corner-stone and a stick of dynamite lay near by.

There is a neighborhood legend to the effect that a sum of money was buried by a miserly character beneath the corner-stone years ago and also that several gold coins were placed in the corner-stone at the time of its placing more than 50 years ago. The neighborhood theory is that the would-be dynamiters had hopes of unearthing the buried treasure or else exploding the myth.

Edward Cartland, a well known young man locally and a former athlete of Statewide prominence, is very critically ill at the home of his mother here. He is suffering with a spinal trouble and both legs were affected Thursday causing a condition of paralysis. Mr. Cartland played football and baseball at Bingham school and in his day was regarded

as one of the best college men in the State. He also coached Bingham in later years and was a professor there. He had a 10 second track record.

Maj. W. H. Watlington of Caswell, a character from one end of the State to another, is out with an announcement of candidacy for the position of sergeant-at-arms of the State Senate. Major Watlington asserts that he is a Confederate soldier and that he has voted the Democratic ticket for 50 years. He also states that he has never received anything from the State. Major Watlington is now making headquarters in Greensboro.

FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH IN OLD KENTUCKY.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—"Friday the thirteenth," sustained its reputation here yesterday among the dairymen and grocerymen w' thirteen dealers were arrested on-charges of handling goods unfit for human consumption. The arrests followed an investigation by detectives from the Kentucky pure food commission.

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU COULD USE A PENNY AD FOR TO-DAY?

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