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JERSEY
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EACH.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C.

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Burwell & Dunn.
DRUGS AT RETAIL.
Opposite Central Hotel.

Finest Stock of Perfumery, Soap, Brushes, Toilet and Fancy Articles in the City. A competent corps of Pharmacists always in attendance. Prescriptions prepared accurately and delivered promptly.

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We don't sell gaiters of the Florida swamp variety, but we sell gaiters of all other descriptions and we sell them at prices which account for their popularity. Some shoes cover a multitude of sins, and such shoes are not only dear at any price, but would scarcely be worth accepting as a gift. The plain truth of the matter is that the interests of the buyer and seller are identical—the most thorough protection we can give our own interests is to have a scrupulous regard for yours. We can especially recommend our \$3 and \$5 shoes as being superior to anything on the market at the price. In stock a fine assortment of Patent Leather Balm and Congress, \$3.50 to \$7.00.

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Delicious,
Refreshing,
Exhilarating,
Invigorating,
Coca-Cola
Relieves Headaches Immediately.
5 Cents a Glass.
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Local Ripples.
—During the storm last night, a portion of the tin roof of Mecklenburg Iron Works was blown off.
—This has been another day of intense heat, and there were more storms roundabout this evening.
—Eighty bales of cotton were brought to the city by wagon today, and the prices ranged from 8 a 1/2 cents.
—Mr. David M. Vance left today for a visit to Asheville, to settle up his business affairs there. He has disposed of his interest in the Democrat to Mr. Furman.
—The Benevolent Society will meet at Mrs. J. H. Weddington's to-morrow (Friday) night at 8:30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.
—Dr. A. W. Miller left today for Bryson City, in the western part of the State, where he is to dedicate a Presbyterian church.
—There will be a meeting of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the Y. M. C. A. parlor tomorrow afternoon at 5:30.
—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, of the Racket store, leave this afternoon for New York. They will take an extended western trip before returning to Charlotte.
—A large number of young ladies of the Salem Female Institute passed through the city to-day on the return to their homes.
—The Charlotte Steam Laundry has added a clothes cleaning and pressing department to its business, as will be explained in an advertisement elsewhere.
—Clerk Morrow and his assistant, Mr. Osborne, are engaged in writing up a new index of the judgments in the office of the clerk of the Superior court. It is a new and very convenient form of index, and will cover all the judgments for fifteen years past.

The Court House Move.
Some of our people do not seem to think that the magistrates are in earnest about buying the Charlotte Female Institute for a court house, but you just wait until the next meeting and see. Mr. R. E. Cochran, real estate agent, who has the sale of the property, was summoned before the meeting and questioned about various details. The result of this interview was said to be very satisfactory to the magistrates. The lawyers and court house men are on a big kick against the proposed move, and their idea of it is that it is too absurd to be seriously considered. Esq. D. G. Maxwell says that at first he didn't like it, but now he is in favor of the project.

The Consolidated Beneficial and Building Association leads them all, let others follow who will.
Secure prospectus of J. W. Sample, Charlotte, N. C.

With a record like Simons Liver Regular none should be afraid to use it for the liver.

MURDER STILL IN HIS HEART.

Though He Stands in the Shadow of the Gallows—An Incident in the County Jail Last Evening.

There was a big run on the county jail late yesterday afternoon. Henry Brabham, the negro who is to be hanged on July 2, for the murder of the Italian Mocco, was at large in the corridors with a bar of iron and a lump of coal. In some way the news got up town that Brabham was trying to break jail, and quicker than it takes to tell it, there was a crowd about the building. It appears that sheriff Smith had been called up town for a few moments, and he had left Brabham and other prisoners the freedom of the corridors. During the sheriff's absence, Brabham had recourse to the trick that has been resorted to by many prisoners in times gone by—wrenching off one of the iron braces to the stairway around the tier of cells. This stairway has furnished handspikes by which the jail walls have been pierced a half dozen times, but Brabham's idea was to use the iron not as a tool, but as a weapon. There was a fellow prisoner named Harry Caldwell in the jail with Brabham, and Caldwell got the idea that Brabham intended to hide the iron and at some convenient time, carry out his expressed threat of knocking sheriff Smith in the head. Caldwell told Brabham if he didn't put down the iron he would call the sheriff. Brabham put the iron down and then picked up a lump of coal, slipped up behind Caldwell and dealt him a terrific blow on the back of the head. The two men got into a hard fight, and hearing the noise, Mrs. Smith appeared at a window which opens on the corridor and presented a pistol to Brabham. That quieted him. Sheriff Smith soon appeared and did two very proper things. One was to give Brabham a trouncing and the other was to keep him in the stone cell, where he will be kept until brought out for the gallows. The blow on Caldwell's head would have killed a white man, the scalp was torn open for several inches and the man bled profusely. There is but little doubt of the fact that Caldwell is the last man whom Brabham will ever tap on the head.

GRABBY'S WORKS.
That Brabham meant to kill the negro Caldwell in cold blood cannot be doubted. A description of weapon settles that fact, besides his declaration that he didn't know a nigger was so much harder to kill than a white man, or he would have put in a better lick on Caldwell. Dr. Wilfong, who dressed Caldwell's wounds, told a News reporter that the blow was a fearful one. "Brabham had got hold of a large lump of hard coal. This he wrapped in a piece of blanket and knotted the blanket around it, thus making a weapon more deadly than a sandbag. He slipped up behind Caldwell, gave it a whirl and brought it down on his head with stunning effect. No ball ever held fault riper for the gallows than that now in the Charlotte jail.

Central Hotel Arrivals.
L. L. Lanier, Baltimore; Howard Cohen, R. J. Camp, N. Y.; W. J. Martin, Davidson; W. H. Hoffman and family, Davidson; S. L. Montgomery and child, C. H. Weyon, Concord; J. C. Keyton, N. C.; R. H. Johnson, N. Y.; G. E. McCall and wife, E. H. Gandy, Detroit, Mich.; L. M. Davis, Rock Hill; Rev. W. W. Orr, Huntersville; J. B. Sloan, C. Atkinson, Columbia; J. B. Shearer, Davidson College; W. G. Gordon, N. Y.; H. H. Faucett, Raleigh; D. M. Vance, Jas. H. Mason, St. Louis; B. F. Mebane, N. Y.; S. H. Wiley, Salisbury; F. Taylor, Richmond; O. W. Badger, Norfolk; T. P. Johnson, Baltimore; W. H. Allen, Richmond; Geo. Summy, Chester; A. R. Banks, Rock Hill; L. M. Cox, Washington; W. J. Ayers, Atlanta; N. Hartwell, Cincinnati; H. M. Rowe, Va.; William R. Atkinson, City; B. F. Abernathy, Durham, N. C.; R. W. Boyd, Barium Springs, N. C.; J. W. Lane and daughter, Lincoln county, N. C.; J. C. Cottingham, S. C.; Miss Sallie E. Patrick, Davidson, N. C.; Miss Mary Pressley, Huntersville, N. C.; J. S. Jones, Greensboro, N. C.; Aubrey Motz, Lincoln, N. C.; Goslin, Camden, N. J.; Miss Carrie Motz, Miss Alda Motz, Miss Bessie Motz, and Miss Pine Crouse, Lincoln, N. C.; J. W. Herd, Baltimore, Md.

Committee Meetings.
The executive committee of the board of ministers of Davidson College, met in room 5, at the Central Hotel this morning, to prepare the annual report to be submitted to the trustees next week. There was a full attendance and the meeting was quite an interesting one. The reports submitted showed the affairs of the college to be in excellent shape, financially and otherwise. The college has more than paid its expenses this year, and altogether the report to be submitted next week will be a most satisfactory one.
A meeting of the board of regents of the Presbyterian Home is in session this afternoon.

Fire at the Freight Depot at Greensboro.
The freight depot of the Richmond & Danville company at Greensboro, was badly damaged by fire last night. A freight hand entered a box car that was loaded with oil and that was standing on the track alongside the depot, with a lantern. The accumulated gas ignited and caused an explosion. The fire communicated to the depot from the burning car. The fire department was in Danville, but the citizens succeeded in extinguishing the flames. All the top story of the depot was burned away.

THE SALE

The tremendous reductions of our immense stock of Fancy Flouncings was so great that customers could not at first believe the report, but they have survived the shock and find to their satisfaction that it is just as we stated—a great sacrifice.

First Class Goods.

The week's sales closed well. Buline prices extremely low, but all must get some kind of a price. Feathered and plain Fans in great variety.
New White Gossis, Challies, Laces and Black Organdies.
Tremendous stock of Fancy and Plain Japan Mattings.
About forty Rugs left of a drive at \$2.00 and \$2.25.
Silk Grenadines continue increasing in demand, we show a choice line from 50¢ up. See them.
The Muslim Underwear sale proved a great benefit to many, the low prices will continue one week longer.
Madras Cloths in all evening shades, also light shades of Wool Fabrics.
Samples mailed, none given in city.

SEVERE ELECTRICAL STORMS.

A Train Encounters Both Fire and Flood—Lightning, Wind and Rain Wind up a Hot June Day.

As a consequence of the intense heat of yesterday, there were severe electrical storms all around last night. The electrical display that heralded the advance of the rain was a grand one and many of our people watched it until they were driven indoors by the rain. The rainfall in Charlotte was brief, but very heavy, and was accompanied by a high wind.

There were storms through the western part of the State, and near Reidsville, the storm amounted to a cyclone. Passengers who came in on the train last night, say that the telegraph poles were thrown down for five miles, and every few feet through that territory the train was stopped while the obstructions were being cut away. This delayed the train, and it pulled into Greensboro behind time and to find the freight depot there on fire. The depot is built directly alongside the track and the engineer with considerable forethought, put on steam and carried his train by the burning building, getting by before the fire had spread so that it would have been impossible to pass. The fire department was away on an excursion. The passengers did not get to see how the fire terminated, as the train came on to Charlotte. The engineer had to work things in a hurry and in consequence, a lot of baggage was left on the platform for the next train to bring on.

Mr. O. W. Badger arrived in the city last night from Asheville, and he describes a thrilling ride down the mountain. The train was behind time and a great storm was raging. The effect of the lightning on the mountains was startling, and the noise of the storm, coupled with the terrific speed of the train down the mountain (the engineer had turned everything loose and was bent on making the connection at Salisbury) frightened some of the lady passengers almost into hysterics.

The storm between Mooresville and Statesville was particularly severe, and the A. T. & O. train which left Charlotte last evening had a lively experience. It encountered four trees that had been blown across the track, and the train hands got out the axes and cut their way through. At a point near Shepherd's station, the depot agent waved the train down, and the engine halted with its pilot within less than 25 feet of a tree that had been blown down directly across the track. The passengers noticed that between Mooresville and Statesville, the chimneys nearly all the houses along the road had been blown down. There was a very severe hail storm in Paw Creek township, this county, and crops suffered severely.
At one time last night not a single telegraph wire in the Richmond and Danville depot here was in working order.

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Matchless Bargains.
We inaugurate today a reduction sale of mens and boys fine clothing, and in order to reduce our stock of fine goods, before our semi-annual inventory, July 1st, we are going to put the knife into our finest stock and cutaway lines that were made up for nobly trade, and will offer some bargains that will be appreciated by the best trade. Our finest electric blue worsted suits, silk lined and silk faced, the highest quality, and patch pockets, the finest in our stock, reduced from \$25.00 to \$20.00. Our finest light colored worsted and cashmere suits reduced from \$18.00 to \$15.00. Blue Cheviot and Serge suits at reduced prices. If you have waited until now for a spring and our prices will give you a nice profit for waiting. This reduction sale will continue from now until July 6th and some people are going to get bargains.

ROGERS & CO

Clothiers and Furnishers.
21 West Trade St., opposite Andrews Furniture Store.

DEATH OF HUGH GILSON.

A Prominent Citizen of York County and Former Resident of Charlotte Passes Away.

Mr. Hugh Gilson, a former resident of Charlotte, died at his home in York county, S. C., at 9 o'clock last night, and his body was buried at Fort Mill this afternoon. He was 71 years of age and his death was the result of an attack of pneumonia, with which he had been suffering for a month past. His wife survives him.
Mr. Gilson was one of the most prominent and one of the wealthiest citizens of York county, and was the father of Mrs. W. W. Ward, and father-in-law of Mr. Burgess Nichols, of Charlotte. Mr. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. Ward and family left by private conveyance for Fort Mill today to attend the funeral.

The Federal Court.
Capt. Charles Price, United States District Attorney was in the city yesterday and inspected the new Federal court room. He was well pleased with it, and says that in finish and arrangement it is undoubtedly the finest in the State.
The Federal court will convene here next Monday, and will be held for the first time in the court room of the new public building. The criminal docket will be light, but some very important railroad cases are to be tried.

The Chronicle.
It is reported about the streets that the proposed newspaper deal whereby Mr. David Vance and Mr. Robt. Haydn were to assume charge of the Chronicle, is off for the present at least, or that the change, if does take place, will not be so soon as had been expected. With so many stockholders interested the work of fixing up a satisfactory trade is not an easy one. A News reporter was told to-day that Mr. S. C. Clark expects to remain editor of the Chronicle, for a time, at least.

The Five Meetings.
Evangelist Fife's meetings are being attended by great crowds of people. The services last night were of a very interesting character, and in the face of the heat and the storm, there were fully 4,000 people in the auditorium. It was really the opening night of the meeting, and the evangelist made a most excellent impression. His delivery is clear, distinct and forcible, and he talks in a way to hold the strict attention of the people. The services this morning were attended by a large crowd, and the indications are that the auditorium will be packed to-night.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with Mother's Glove Cleaner. For sale by Reese & Co., druggists.

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THIS BOY WEARS
GEO. E. KEITH'S
SCHOOL BOYS' PRIDE SHOES.

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MOTHER AND BOY.

Ladies will find it a pleasure to examine our many inducements we offer in Boys Clothing. Our medium grade of Boys and Childrens Clothing has had such swatches cut into it that we are throwing Fine Suits on our counters at a sacrifice. Such values were never before given in this city. At \$3.75 and \$4, some thirty styles to select from; \$6 is what competitors get for no better goods.

SAILOR SUITS

At \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 and up, worth double the money.

Straw Hats 25c, regular 50c
Straw Hats 50c, regular \$1.

See our Window Display for fine Fancy Vests at \$1. Do not miss
Fancy Vests, all Styles and Qualities, at \$1.50. A GREAT BARGAIN.

MENS' and BOYS' Seersucker Coats and Vests at 50c.
MENS' and BOYS' Boys' Single Coats 25c.

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SCHOOL BOYS' PRIDE.

These Shoes are known in every house in the city and are truly the pride of every boy that owns a pair.
We have only to say what has already been proven that they are the best line of Boys' Shoes ever sold on this market. We have them in all Grades, and all Widths, and all Sizes.
Try a pair of our Calfskin Boys' Shoes, there is nothing nicer for summer, nothing that will wear so well and so comfortable.

GRAY & BARNHARDT,
19 East Trade Street, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

PREMIUM BOOTS.

Price \$2.25 a Pair, By Mail 20c Extra.

These elegant Shoes for ladies wear are made of the finest French Gonda Kid, and have all that softness of finish and touch peculiar to the imported Shoes, selling at 5 to 6 dollars.
We call them the premium because they carry the day. Made with pointed Patent Leather Tip and plain Opera Toes. As small as 2s as large as 8s, C, D and E widths.
Some wonder how we can furnish such a Shoe at this price. Our reply is not how much we can get for an article, but rather how low we can sell it.
We find the larger our business the better prices we can give. By ordering from a live house you can always get the best, and all consumers say we are the people.

GILREATH & CO.
Open every evening till 8:30; Saturday till 11:00.

Bedroom Suites.

I wish to call your attention to my handsome line of Bedroom Suites. I have them at any price you might desire from \$28 up. Just think of this a beautiful Antique Oak suite, ten pieces, with 18x20 inch German plate glass on Dresser, for \$28. And I can sell you a beautiful 16th Century Oak Suite, ten pieces, with Marble top, and 24-30 French plate glass on Dresser, and 18x20 French plate on Wash-stand, for \$50. I have them at any price you desire either above or below this, but only give this so that you may have some idea of what I am doing.

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