

JOHN D. BARRIE & SON, Editors and Proprietors. THURSDAY, DEC. 9.

We will be glad to furnish our readers any of the following periodicals in connection with THE STANDARD at the following prices: Frank Leslie's Weekly, price \$4 with THE STANDARD \$3.00.

We are informed by the editor-in-chief that a new daily called the Evening Journal is to start in Concord Thursday next.

The STANDARD under the present management is free from any bias if it has principle at all. This leads us to say frankly that we think a second daily, were it taken right economy, almost parsimonious, to run one, would mean ruin to the Standard.

It is not in our mind to give the substantial support of our readers, many of whom have been very kind and generous to us, if the public, private, moral and religious interests of the town can be promoted by the triumph of a competitor.

We have learned to consider the public welfare at the sacrifice of much individual advancement, and we have no disposition to unlearn it, if duly sustained our labor in the future shall be as in the past, the full measure of our power.

If triumphed against it to be taken by night that is unfair, let others have such good-will as they want it. If we are appreciated in the town and county is proportion to our earnest efforts, we shall be happy still to render our best services and our highest gratitude.

Among all the colleges in American politics, some of which are more imaginary than real, probably no manifestation of decay is so striking as that exemplified in the organization of votes in the August municipal election.

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Gen. Clingman's body to Asheville. We have endeavored to keep our readers informed of the program of removal and re-instrument of Gen. Clingman.

Robert S. Ryan, who killed his wife in Greensboro is singular and yet not so surprising in his mood. It is evident that he was absorbed by a morbid depravity, going from bad to worse, as is most natural.

Robert S. Ryan returned home and brutally shot his wife while he lay in an ecstatic embrace instead of a state of affection, as vowed at the marriage altar.

Judge Horace R. Buck, associate justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, committed suicide Tuesday night. It is a peculiar instance.

A South Carolina man thinks the growing of cotton ought to be regulated by law. Of course, of wheat, corn, potatoes and all that sort of crop.

The Observer tells of one Mr. Logan, of Mecklenburg, that has a plan to make cotton sell at 10, 15 and 25 cents per pound the year round.

We are glad to pass it along the line by authority of the Charlotte Observer that the monument to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence will be unveiled on the next 20th of May.

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MRS. GRIER DEAD. After lingering some months with catarrh of the stomach and old age, Mrs. Margaret Grier passed into eternal rest at 7 o'clock Sunday morning.

The funeral sermon was preached at Rocky River church Sunday evening at 3 o'clock. The remains were taken to Charlotte today (Monday) and interred in Elmwood cemetery beside her daughter, Mrs. Henry B. Williams.

Today (Monday) was quite a land selling day at the court house. Following are some of the tracts sold: The home place, in No. 5 township, of Mr. Geo. Walter, deceased, was sold for \$200—bought by Mrs. Walter.

Part of Samuel Kimmons home place, containing 133 acres, in Mecklenburg county, R. M. Kimmons guardian, brought eight dollars per acre, bid in by Col. P. B. Means.

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At the Methodist Conference in Raleigh, Rev. H. B. Anderson, of Southport Station, stated that his work has suffered considerably from the influence of the sanctification extremists; that while he believed and taught the doctrine of holiness, he did not advocate the extreme ideas, hence a certain portion of his people became dissatisfied.

One establishment which thrives and makes good success is worth more to any town and community than many half attended to and barely make expenses. Let's have an eye to the difference between progress and overdone enterprise.

The Journal is a new 4 page seven column paper published in Elkin, N. C., by Mr. W. B. Bell, former editor of the Elkin Times.

A MURDER AT GREENSBORO. Trifling Fellow Kills His Wife—His Brother-in-Law Tried to Shoot Him After He Was Arrested, But Was Prevented—The Murderer in Jail and Under Guard.

Greensboro, Dec. 4.—Soney Ryan, a worthless character of this city, who has figured in different anarchy escapades and who has been kept busy several months eluding the officers, returned to his home on South Ashe street this evening and during an altercation with his wife about 8:30 o'clock pulled a .38-caliber pistol and shot her through the neck, causing her death within half an hour.

After the shooting Ryan came down town and, it is reported, threatened the life of County Treasurer John Hodgins. About 8 o'clock Chief of Police Rees and officer Scott captured Ryan near the depot and carried him to the city prison, followed by a crowd of several hundred people.

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The Alaskan situation is viewed and steps urged to protect its inhabitants from the peril of starvation. There are white people in the Indian Territory with less chance than the Indians. This needs attention.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. The President's message is before the world today and will be read in its entirety by a very limited number, though it well repays perusal.

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Over One Hundred Books for Sale. Mr. M. A. Williams, Jackson county, Mo., worked four days and a large number of beautiful Full-Page Illustrations. It is a grand book and makes an excellent gift.

Do You Want an Office, Two? Numbers of new offices can be created that will cost the taxpayer nothing. For instance: Call barrens county has a population of 30,000 or 40,000 families.

J. P. GIBSON. When you want Fresh Oysters, stewed, fried or raw, birds on toast, fresh fish or a square meal, prepared by an old experienced cook (Wills McMorris) call at Bauer & Johnson's Restaurant in the Brick Row near the Court House.

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