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We have a limited number of these books which we will distribute to our patrons, but only on request in person or by mail.

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The "Store that Satisfies" for 1909 will strive to do its full duty and merit a continuance of the good and increasing trade given us in the past.

Wishing you a prosperous New Year, we are,

Respectfully,

BELL & HARRIS FURNITURE CO.

ITALY TURNS TO HER STARVING.

Refugees All Bring Horrible Tales of Suffering and Anguish.

Estimates of the death roll of the earthquake now cease to concern the Italian people. It is enough to know that the catastrophe is overwhelming—figures would add nothing to the grief of the stricken nation, nor move to greater efforts those upon whom the work of relief and rescue has fallen.

Every channel open to the government has been utilized to this end, and other nations have been quick to come to its assistance, even before the cry for aid went up. Shiploads of fugitives have been carried out of the stricken zone to Naples, Palermo, Catania and other ports, and according to the Minister of Marine, rescue vessels to the number of 36 are now centered in the Strait of Messina, and 5,000 soldiers are being landed on the two coasts.

Most important of all now is the question of the living. Thousands of those who escaped the falling walls and the sweep of the tide are starving and without clothes or shelter. They can scarcely longer survive their sufferings. The first thought has been to carry food and covering for these helpless people, and it has now been decided by the government to send a fleet of emigrant steamers to transport them to other places.

A frightful scene occurred at Messina Friday amid the ruins of the customs house. Bands of famished individuals were groping among the debris in the hope of discovering food. The first of the searchers who were successful were attacked by others with revolvers and knives, and were obliged to defend their finds literally with their lives. The struggle was fierce. The famished men threw themselves upon each other like wolves, and several fell disemboweled in defending a handful of dry beans or a few ounces of flour. One of the unfortunates was pinned to a plank by a knife, while clinging to his hand was his little child, for whom he had sought food.

Refugees from Reggio and Messina continue to pour into Catania, and the city is one vast hospital with each house in it a ward.

Thousands of half nude individuals of both sexes have gathered along the muddy beaches on either side of the ruins of Messina seeking food or trying to get away by sea. Many children have died from exposure, and the cases of madness are increasing.

The horror of the situation at Messina and Reggio grows with every fresh dispatch. One of the correspondents places the death roll throughout the entire territory as high as 300,000, but this appears to be extreme. Others make their estimate 200,000, but the official estimate as made by the Minister of Marine still holds to 115,000.

GREAT EARTHQUAKES OF HISTORY.

Guatemala, Central America, founded in 1524, destroyed by earthquake and volcanic eruption in 1556; the second Guatemala, established near the site of the first, almost destroyed by earthquake in 1773, succeeded by the construction of the present town.

Lisbon, Portugal, almost destroyed by quake and accompanying tidal wave, November 1, 1775, with the loss of 60,000 lives.

Caracas, capital of Venezuela, destroyed by earthquake shock, 1812.

Aleppo, destroyed in 1822.

Naples, severely shaken, with accompanying eruption of Vesuvius, 1857.

Many buildings in Quito, capital of Ecuador, shaken to pieces, 1859.

Manila severely shocked, 1863 and 1880.

Valparaiso, Chile, badly damaged in 1880.

Earthquake at Colchester and eastern counties of England, 1884.

Charleston, S. C., visited August 31, 1886, by a severe earthquake, that shook down many buildings and caused heavy loss of life and property damage of \$8,000,000; disturbance felt over entire eastern section of the country.

St. Pierre and other towns of the Island of Martinique destroyed by eruption of Mont Pelee May 8, 1902; earthquake shocks through the West Indies and more than 20,000 lives lost.

San Francisco and neighboring towns shaken Wednesday, April 18, 1906; fire swept the ruined district of the city and the property loss ran into the hundreds of millions, with hundreds killed.

Valparaiso and other towns in Chile ruined by earthquake August 16, 1906, and 2,000 killed.

Kingston, Jamaica, partially destroyed Monday, January 14, 1906; 800 killed.

SALISBURY DIES GAME.

Salisbury Cor. Observer, N. C.

After a remarkably quiet day, all things considered, this city, "wet" to the core for scores of years, joined the great prohibition procession at 11 o'clock to-night and the town and county, figuratively speaking, went "dry." However, it was a great sales day with the saloons so far as package sales went. The distilleries and wholesale houses had already about closed up shop, but the city was alive visitors from neighboring towns who had come thither to lay in a supply, and almost every man who wended his way to the passenger station had a suit case, jug, or package of some description. The home contingent did not get left in the rush and many a quart, or more, now adorns a shelf in the closet at hundreds of homes. The saloons served straight and mixed drinks up to the last minute, as though nothing new was to transpire, and the bar-keeper and the bar-tender seemed to take the situation good-naturedly. In some instances a bargain could be had in some special brand, but the standard price was maintained in the main to the last. A general public drunk was looked for by some to-night, but their expectations fell flat, as the town behaved remarkably well under the circumstances.

In the morning the regular "eye-opener" customers will be minus on the streets and this old town will wake up to adjust herself to new conditions, and set about to meet the transformation which will indeed transform Salisbury as she has not been transformed in years.

It is needless to say that the people of this good old town will do their part toward giving the new State law a showing and her citizens, whatever their private opinions may have been on the question, will lend their aid, moral and otherwise, to the enforcement of the laws regarding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

This city will doubtless be watched more than any other in North Carolina as the result of the State-wide prohibition which goes into effect at midnight to-night.

MEDICAL DEPOSITORIES.

Statesville Landmark.

A number of towns in the State are agitating the establishment of medical depositories, or dispensaries, for the sale of liquor on prescription. The Landmark has given some attention to the working of these depositories and it is of the opinion that if liquor is to be sold at all this plan, under the proper safeguards, is the most satisfactory solution. The sale in drug stores, which the prohibition law permits, is a failure. There are honest druggists, of course, but there are so many who abuse the privilege—in some instances drug stores are established purely for the purpose of selling and reaping the profit—that the sale by drug stores should, as a rule, be prohibited. The idea of the medical depository is simply to place a small quantity of liquor with some person who can be trusted to handle it. All he does is to measure out the amount prescribed when a doctor's prescription is offered, and he is paid a small salary for his services. The idea of profit is eliminated; the keeper of goods does the same whether he sells or doesn't sell. This eliminates the profit, which is the main cause of the privilege being abused by druggists and it also eliminates any feeling that one must, to win and hold trade, allow liquor to be sold illegally to accommodate friends. Of course dishonest doctors can still give prescriptions to whoever calls, but at present chances must be taken on that. It will be by and by regulate itself, the best method being to publish once a month the number of prescriptions issued, the name of the doctor and the patient. The publicity will help mightily to curtail illegal practices.

AN INTERESTING STORY.

Charlotte Observer.

"I witnessed a little incident yesterday that was as interesting as it was unusual," remarked a traveling man last night to an Observer reporter. "I was in a neighboring town waiting at the depot for a Charlotte train. Opposite the passenger station there is a large warehouse and from this warehouse emerged, while I chanced to be looking in that direction, a large and juicy rat. A pointer puppy, who had been playing around the depot, saw the rat about as soon as I did, and as the rodent started across the track, the puppy made a spry dash for him. A west-bound train was just pulling into the depot and the rat ran under the train. In the excitement of the chase the dog ignored the fact that the train was moving and maintained his wild game. He was in dead earnest about it, for when he got close enough to the rodent he opened his jaws and grabbed a mouthful of the hindquarters of the rat. Unfortunately the puppy's peck was just over the rail at that moment and the wheels of the heavy coach passed over it, making as clean an amputation as though it had been done with a surgeon's knife. When the train passed on, the dog's head, with the rat firmly gripped in his teeth, lay in the middle of the track and outside the outer rail lay his body. You may not believe it, but in that dead canine's eyes, which were wide open even in death, there was a look of intense satisfaction—he had caught the rat if he did lose his life in the effort."

GENERAL NEWS.

Sunday night the western end of Kentucky was visited by an earthquake shock. A dispatch from Hopkinsville states that a ball of fire was seen in that town, and that following the phenomena seismic shocks were felt throughout that and adjoining counties.

In the presence of the young woman who had just refused to marry him, Rev. W. Woodford, of Dallas, Texas, aged 22 years, shot himself through the heart last week and fell dead across the couch on which the terrified young woman had been reclining.

A two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, of Gaffney, choked to death last week from a peanut hull becoming lodged in its windpipe. The child was eating peanuts when one of the hulls was lodged in its windpipe, its death occurring a few moments after.

A large, lean gray wolf gave Frank Keiffer an exciting five minutes Monday at Peoria, Ill., when it attacked him near a lumber yard in the heart of the city and chased him four blocks through the streets to his home. Keiffer entered his house in time to slam the door in the animal's face. Seizing a rifle, he put a bullet through its brain, shooting through a window.

Moved by the protests of ministers of every denomination who complained to him that the great majority of the 550 moving pictures shows of Greater New York were exhibiting pictures detrimental to the morals of the youth of the city, Mayor McClellan recently issued a drastic order revoking almost every picture show license issued by the bureau of licenses.

It may be stated upon authority that only four cabinet selections have been made by President-elect Taft. These are: Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of state; Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts, to be post-master-general; James Wilson, of Iowa, to be secretary of agriculture, and G. W. Wickersham, of New York, to be attorney-general.

Professor Johnson, of the University of Pennsylvania, says the cost of living will continue to rise faster than wages for at least nine years more. By 1918, he foresees, the average prices of necessities will be 80 per cent higher than they were in 1897. They are now 44 per cent higher. As to wages, "they will rise, but not in proportion to the leaps and bounds of prices. The working man will find himself pinched in the pocket."

President Roosevelt is not one-half so enthusiastic over his contemplated African trip as he was when he first conceived the idea of going there for lions and other big man-eating game. He has expressed his fears of the climate to intimate friends. The heat of summer, the existence of so many poisonous insects, the foulness of the drinking water, the inability to secure fruits and fresh vegetables in the wilds of his prospective hunting grounds, all of which he has read about recently tend to give him "cold feet."

Will Patton, son of Mr. W. P. Patton, while coon hunting in the mountains north of Morganton a few nights ago, killed a bear that weighed about 250 pounds. He at first thought he had treed a coon, but on striking a match to investigate, he discovered that the game was a big bear. By the light of another match he brought old Bruin down with a shotgun.

Worthily of Consideration.

Charlotte Chronicle.

Judge Riden Tyler Bennett, of Wadesboro, who is, as the Wilmington Star says, always advancing some new idea for the benefit or relief of the people, suggests the establishment of Courts of Arbitration to try such civil cases as the plaintiff in bringing the suit may designate that as the mode of trial desired, the judgment rendered to be docketed as now. He suggests that such court should consist of two lawyers and one layman, and should "sit in vacation." His purpose, of course, is to relieve the congested condition of the courts, to give speedy trials of civil cases and to reduce cost of litigation. It would seem to the Chronicle that this suggestion by Judge Bennett is worthy of discussion among lawyers and laymen.

Wouldn't Take Off Their Hats.

Charlotte Chronicle.

Rev. A. J. Moncrief, pastor the Baptist Tabernacle church in Raleigh, undertook to make the women of his congregation remove their hats, and it is the same old story—the preacher found himself up against a hard proposition. Sunday night, he seized upon the array of hats and taking his seat said he would not proceed until the hats were removed. Then, according to a report in the Industrial News, "he waited and waited until the stillness and tick of the church clock became oppressive and still there were a goodly number of hats not removed. The pastor regretted the persistence of some of his flock and expressed the hope that a compromise could be reached. He warned those standing out against his demand that they would have to answer at the bar of eternal judgment for interfering with worship."

A Thoughtful Husband.

The late Mrs. McKinley was one of the most charitable of women. A clergyman of Canton said: "She once told me about a colored widow whose children she had helped to educate. The widow, rather late in life, married. A few months after her marriage Mrs. McKinley asked her how she was getting on. "I'm a gettin' on fine, thank ye," the bride answered. "And is your husband a good provider?" asked Mrs. McKinley. "'Deed he is a good providah, ma'am," was the reply. 'He got me five new pieces to wash at dis las' week.'"

Never Again.

It was a pitiful mistake, an error sad and grim. I waited for the railway train. The light was low and dim. It came at last, and from a car there stepped a dainty dame, and, looking up and down the place, she straight up me came. "Oh, Jack!" she cried, "oh, dear old Jack!" and kissed me as she spoke, then looked again and, frightened, cried, "Oh, what a bad mistake!" I said, "Forgive me, maiden fair, for I am not your Jack, and as regards the kiss you gave, I'll straightway give it back." And since that night I've often stood upon that platform dim, but only once in a man's whole life do such things come to him.

A Full-Time Session.

Charlotte Chronicle.

The hopes expressed for a short session of the North Carolina Legislature have gone glimmering. It is safe to say now that the Legislature will be in session as long as the pay lasts, which will be for a period of six days. For days past the members-elect have been exchanging proposed bills with each other—bills of every sort except the kind the relief of the people demands. It will be a session of bills, unless all signs fail. Nine members out of ten have individual bill incubators into which they put the eggs shortly after the election and the hatching out process has been upon a very successful scale. It is to be feared that the important work of the Legislature is going to be swamped by the multiplicity of small bills, as has been too often the case in past years. The Governor is said to have prepared an elaborate message in which he will, no doubt, offer a number of recommendations; there will be private charter bills by the bushel, some of them, for instance, the Charlotte charter, of much importance; a reform in the jury system of tax assessments and many other measures of State-wide importance will be brought up and what, with the additional manufactured business, the Legislature will find an abundant excuse for a full-time session.

A Great Development.

Charlotte Chronicle.

The Southern Power Company has published a map which gives a comprehensive understanding of the magnitude of the electrical development of that company. When the first plant, the Catawba power station, was completed a few years ago, the question was the ability of the plant to transmit the electric power to Charlotte without sustaining a weakening or leakage of the current that would make the venture unprofitable. The idea of sending the current 50 or 80 miles was considered proleptical. Now the current is sent to such distant points as Greensboro and Winston-Salem, to Shelby and Gaffney, and will go ultimately to the remotest parts of North and South Carolina. The plants of the Southern Power Company will have a maximum development of 187,000 horsepower. It beats Niagara in the extent of territory served and the field of usefulness covered. It is a most remarkable industrial and commercial development, and when completed in its entirety, will be the greatest in the United States.

Gets Out to Go In.

News and Observer, S. C.

To-day Charles Blackburn, alias Charles Cranford, leaves the State's prison here, but will be taken in charge by an officer from Virginia for trial in that State.

Blackburn was convicted of house-breaking and larceny in Augusta county, Va., and was sentenced to three years in the State's prison on July 11, 1905. He escaped from the Virginia State farm and fled to North Carolina. He was convicted of larceny in Forsyth county, and was sent up for one year. His North Carolina sentence expires to-day and he will be taken to Virginia to finish his unexpired term, as deputy Smith, of that State, is here with requisition papers from the Governor of Virginia.

A movement is well on foot to establish an automobile line from Washington to Atlanta. The line of the road selected is to pass through Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Rowan, Davidson, Guilford and Rockingham counties in North Carolina, touching Charlotte, Concord, Salisbury, Lexington, High Point, Greensboro and Reidsville.

Unable to Buy Present Dies.

Downhearted and discouraged because he was out of money and could not make his wife happy with Christmas presents, Thos. Hamline, a plumber, of Denver, Col., killed himself Thursday night by sending a bullet into his brain. The suicide was committed in the presence of his wife, who had just given him a small Christmas remembrance.

Touched by her thoughtfulness of him and his inability to return her kindness, he broke down and cried. "This will be a sad Christmas for you," he said, and walked into another room, drew a revolver from a suit case and placed the weapon to his head and fired.

Lon Hall, who went to sleep Christmas day at Rome, Ga., is still asleep. She appears much as a person in death with the exception that slight regular breathing is discernible. She has had no water or food of any kind since Christmas day.

During the last year 404 new school houses were built in North Carolina—or more than one a day.

Wages Here and Abroad.

Consular and Trade Reports.

In Dundee a girl running a side of seventy-two spindles on a jute dry spinning frame makes \$2.55 a week of fifty-five hours and pays \$1.70 a week for board and lodging. Those running two sides makes \$3.89 a week.

In similar jute mills in Massachusetts for a week of fifty-five hours a girl running one side of seventy-two spindles makes \$8 and for two sides makes \$9, and pays about \$2.75 a week for board.

"I hope you were a good little boy while at your aunt's and didn't tell any stories," said his mother. "Only the one you put me up to, ma," replied her young hopeful. "Why, what do you mean, child?" "When she asked me if I'd like to have a second piece of cake I said: 'No, thank you; I've had enough.'"

In a local option election at Roanoke, Va., Wednesday the "drys" were victorious by a majority of 86 votes. The "wets" carried three of the four wards, their total majority in the three wards being 107. The "drys" carried one ward by a majority of 193.

"Dicky," said his mother, "when you divided those caramels with your sister, did you give her three?" "No, ma. I thought they wouldn't come out even, so I ate one 'fore I began to divide."

"Will father be an angel?" asked the little boy. "He's got whiskers, and angels don't have any."

"Well," replied the grandmother, "your father may get there but it will be by a close shave."

The guaranty of State bank deposits in North Carolina is to come up before the Legislature to convene January 6th with it, it is said, the endorsement of Governor-elect Kitchin.

Mr. Samuel C. Burnett died at his home in Reidsville Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. His death was caused from eating a stew of stale oysters Monday at the cafe there.

Always Dublin.

An Irishman and an American were talking about their own countries one day when the American said: "America is the richest country in the world today."

"Shure," said Pat. "Oireland will soon be the richest."

"How's that?" said the American. "Shure," answered Pat, "isn't the capital always Dublin?"

A Time Limit.

A New England man tells of an elderly citizen of a New Hampshire town who long bore the reputation of being the meanest man in the country. This old chap was proprietor of a hotel the rules whereof provided that everything should be kept under lock and key, the result of which was that no hanger-on could get his hands on a newspaper, a bit of hotel stationery, a free wash, or, in fact, anything free at all. To cap the climax the old man one day came in and posted the following notice above the only clock in the place: "This clock for use of hotel guests only."

A Lazy Liver.

May be only a tired liver, or a starved liver. It would be a stupid as well as a savage thing to beat a weary or starved liver because he lagged in his work. So in treating the lagging, torpid liver it is a great mistake to lash it with strong drastic drugs. A torpid liver is but an indication of an ill-nourished, enfeebled body, and weak organs are weary with over-work. Start with the stomach and allied organs of digestion and nutrition. Put them in working order and see how quickly your liver will become active. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has made many marvelous cures of liver trouble by its wonderful control of the organs of digestion and nutrition. It restores the normal activity of the stomach, increases the secretions of the assimilating glands, cleanses the system from poisonous accumulations, and so relieves the liver of the burden imposed upon it by the deflection of other organs.

If you have bitter or bad taste in the morning, poor or flatulent appetite, coated tongue, food breath, constipated or irregular bowels, feel weak, easily tired, discontent, frequent headaches, pain by distressing "small of back," gnawing or disengorged feeling in stomach, perhaps nausea, or "sick" feelings in throat after eating, and other symptoms of weak stomach and torpid liver, no medicine will relieve you more promptly or safely than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. For each of the above symptoms will be present at one time and yet points to torpid liver or hot blood and biliousness, griddle-cakes and other indigestible food and take the "Golden Rule" weak stomach and torpid liver, no medicine will relieve you more promptly or safely than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. For each of the above symptoms will be present at one time and yet points to torpid liver or hot blood and biliousness, griddle-cakes and other indigestible food and take the "Golden Rule" weak stomach and torpid liver, no medicine will relieve you more promptly or safely than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

The "Discovery" is non-secret, non-alcoholic and non-toxic. It is a glyceric extract of native medicinal roots with a full list of its ingredients printed on each bottle-wrapper and attached and available by the most eminent medical writers of the age and also recommended to cure the disease for which it is advertised. Don't accept a substitute of unknown composition for this non-secret medicine or suffer consequences.

A Methodist pastor of Mt. Olive has joined the Mt. Olive Baptist Church and was baptized Sunday by Rev. C. M. Rock, the pastor.