

Executors' Notice! THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING THIS day qualified as Executors of the will of David G. Worth, deceased, hereby notify all persons holding claims against said David G. Worth to present the same to them for payment on or before the 18th day of December, A. D. 1897, or they will be barred by the recovery of this notice.

Fresh Goods JUST ARRIVED BY STEAMER. Edam Cheese, Roquefort Cheese, English Dairy Cheese, Neufchatel Cheese, Twiss Cheese.

Fresh Ginger Wafers, Fancy Cakes.

WE ALSO HAVE A SELECT ASSORTMENT OF Martha Washington Flour Co.'s Goods. THEY ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AND WE WOULD LIKE THE TRADE TO TRY THEM.

The John L. Bootmaker Co. 15 AND 17 S. FRONT STREET. Both Phones No. 14.

HOLIDAY COMFORT Can be enjoyed when old friends are paying an annual visit from Kentucky when you are prepared for him with one of our handsome and cheery "LIBERTY" or "REGAL" Tailor Slippers. They are not only an ornament, but good company.

J. W. MURCHISON 1070N BUILDING. And Wool Soles, Over - Gaiters.

FELT - SLIPPERS Having used three bottles of P. P. P. for impure blood and general weakness and having derived great benefit from the same, having gained 14 pounds in weight in four weeks, I take great pleasure in recommending it to all unfortunate like yours truly.

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Bev. "Man" Support Competition. It is not only fashionable, but extremely easy to cry down monopolies and trusts at the present time, but the average business man as well as the average working man, is only consistent as far as the crying is concerned, and then he stops.

THE WILMINGTON MESSENGER. NORTH CAROLINA. No smallpox in Charlotte as reported. Winston Sentinel: Mrs. E. N. Watson, member of Mr. C. B. Watson and Mrs. J. Jones of this city, died at 10 o'clock last night at her home two miles this side of Kernersville. She was 33 years old last Thursday.

Charlotte News: Rev. Dr. J. A. Cunningham, pastor of the First Methodist Church, ministers in the North Carolina Methodist conference, has been here for some days at his home in Greensboro. He is suffering from a complication of diseases, and his friends fear he may not recover.

Raleigh News and Observer: Thomas Hogwood, a farmer living in Cross Roads township, Wilson county, was found in his stable door, on Monday morning, in an unconscious condition. It is believed that he was killed by a young mule he was feeding. He died Friday evening. His wife, who was found recovering consciousness last week Mr. J. R. Perkins, of Carolina township, whose mind is unbalanced, was turned out of the building before it was burned. Mr. Perkins had been in the building for some time, and was last seen on the morning of the fire.

Clinton Democrat: On Wednesday morning of last week, Deputy Sheriff W. Jones and special deputy W. R. King, of Jones county, arrested three men from Clinton. They arrested Felix King, James H. King, and James H. King. The meeting is still going on with unabated interest. Large congregations attend his services morning and night. His appearance would not hold the large congregation that Sunday's services attracted.

Dr. Hoess in Nashville Christian Advocate: The town of Concord, N. C., has a reputation for being a "blind tiger" and is prominently set up for his pains. Only one hundred of his citizens have been investigated in the past few years. He is invested in factories and every body who wants work gets it. A capital system of public works is being extended for all the children. The banking facilities are good. J. J. Newman returned Friday morning from Gold Hill, Mr. Newman represents J. H. Hisey of Philadelphia, who is buying a tract of land to be secured for a colony which Mr. Hisey proposes to establish there. He tells us 5,000 acres are to be secured for the colony. Of this he has secured 4,000 acres. He is immediately surrounding the station of the Edinboro railroad. People who are settled here will be from the North, Indiana, and people who will no doubt, make good citizens of the country.

Rockingham Rocket: We are informed that a man who had been arrested by another colored man and asked to sign a petition for the release of Evans. (Evans is the negro who was convicted of the murder of a white man in Rockingham and was sentenced to be hung last month, but was reprieved for two months.) He is now in the county jail. "No, I ain't gwine to sign no petition. I didn't hear no evidence. De jury hear it. I ain't gwine to sign no petition. I didn't hear no evidence. De jury hear it. I ain't gwine to sign no petition. I didn't hear no evidence. De jury hear it."

Charlotte Observer: Rev. W. P. Brooks, D. D., principal of the normal and preparatory school at Charlotte, N. C., died yesterday morning, after a sickness of three weeks. The immediate cause of death was heart failure, though he had been suffering from pneumonia and fever. Professor Brooks was born in Philadelphia fifty-two years ago. He was a teacher of twenty-five years experience. He received his A. B., S. T. B., and D. D. degrees from Lincoln university, Pennsylvania.

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It is a cold day when Governor Russell does not perform some of his usual duties. The management of the penitentiary under John H. Smith had become so notorious that his retention, even as a figure-head, became a public scandal. Russell said that he had had a public hearing on the matter, but at the same time Smith was one of his most earnest supporters, and he decided to throw him on the cold world. The difficulty was arranged by a judge that he should be removed to North Carolina politics.

WILMINGTON MARKETS. New York, December 17.—Flour inactive but steady. No. 2 red 95 1/2 c. a. b. afloat. Option opened easy under declining cables. No. 2 red 95 1/2 c. a. b. afloat. Option opened easy under declining cables. No. 2 red 95 1/2 c. a. b. afloat. Option opened easy under declining cables.

COTTON REPORT. Wilmington, N. C., December 17. Receipts of cotton today—3,773 bales. Receipts same day last year—3,773 bales. This season's receipts to date—248,005 bales. Receipts to same date last year—186,496 bales. The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange.

NAVAL STORES. Spirits turpentine—Machine barrels firm at 31c; country barrels firm at 30c. Rosin quiet at 31 1/2 and 31.30. Shell turpentine steady; bid 31.40; yield at 31.30. Virgin 31.50. Prices same day last year—Spirits turpentine 24c and 24c; rosin 31.45 and 31.50; shell turpentine 31.50 and 31.50. Receipts today—55 casks spirits turpentine, 105 barrels rosin, 214 barrels turpentine, 30 barrels cedar turpentine. Receipts same day last year—205 casks spirits turpentine, 117 barrels rosin, 505 barrels turpentine, 29 barrels cedar turpentine.

COUNTRY PRODUCE. Peanuts—North Carolina, prime 55c; No. 1 54c; extra prime, 54c; No. 2 53c; Virginia—Extra prime, 46c; No. 1 45c; No. 2 44c; Uplands, 55c; Iowa, 51c; No. 1 50c; No. 2 49c.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPORTS, DOMESTIC, FOREIGN. Rows for Cotton, Spirits, Shell Turpentine, Rosin, Crude.

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Table with columns: STOCKS, SHORE AND AFLOAT, Total. Rows for Cotton, Spirits, Shell Turpentine, Rosin, Crude.

Table with columns: MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH. Rows for Cotton, Spirits, Shell Turpentine, Rosin, Crude.

FINANCIAL. New York, December 17.—Money on call scarce at 2 1/2 per cent; last loan at 2 1/4 per cent. Government bonds firm. Commercial bills 3 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange about steady with actual rates for demand at 48.25 for 60 days; 48.25 for 90 days; 48.25 for 120 days. Commercial bills 3 1/2 per cent. Mexican dollars 100 for 100. State bonds dull; railroad bonds weak.

STOCKS. Atchafalaya, 13 1/2; W. & L. E., 2 1/2; Ches. & Ohio, 2 1/2; Adams Ex., 152; Del. & Hudson, 11 1/2; Union Pac., 115; U. S. Steel, 11 1/2; Am. Sugar, 4 1/2; Del. & Hudson, 11 1/2; Union Pac., 115; U. S. Steel, 11 1/2; Am. Sugar, 4 1/2.

COTTON. Liverpool, December 17.—4 p. m.—Cotton—Spot, good business done; prices unaltered. American middling, 12 1/2; sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export. Cotton futures, 12 1/2; sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. Chicago, December 17.—The leading futures were as follows: Open. High. Low. Close. Wheat—No. 1 hard, 94 1/2; No. 2 hard, 94; No. 3 hard, 93 1/2; No. 4 hard, 93; No. 1 soft, 92 1/2; No. 2 soft, 92; No. 3 soft, 91 1/2; No. 4 soft, 91. Corn—No. 2, 57 1/2; No. 3, 57; No. 4, 56 1/2. Oats—No. 1, 31 1/2; No. 2, 31; No. 3, 30 1/2. Pork—No. 1, 11 1/2; No. 2, 11; No. 3, 10 1/2. Lard—No. 1, 4 1/2; No. 2, 4 1/4; No. 3, 4 1/2.

Office of R. G. Love & Co., Dealers in Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, &c. Wilmington, N. C. December 10th, 1897. Dear Sir, Replying to your query would say, we have the largest line of Carving Knives, Scissors, Razors, Brass Fire Dogs & Fire Sets, Wrought Fire Sets, Five O'Clock Teas, Chaffin Dishes, Guns, Pistols, Hunting Coats, Leggins, Caps, Pocket Knives, Loaded Shells, Cartridges, A Full Line House Furnishing Goods, Wilson Heaters, Cooking Stoves, &c., &c., in the City, and we would be glad to have you make your selection from us. With compliments of the season,

Yours truly, OWEN F. LOVE & CO. CHINA ANNIVERSARY. Dr. J. W. & Mrs. McNeill Receive Their Friends—The No. 100. Last evening, at their residence on Dick Street, Dr. J. W. McNeill, a prominent physician and influential citizen of Fayetteville, and his wife, eldest daughter of Colonel John A. Pemberton—both counting their warm friends by the hundred—gave a delightful reception in celebration of the twentieth anniversary of their marriage.

Shipping Intelligence. Norwegian bark Anitra, Simonsen, 2,000 bushels, under charter to the American schooner Samuel W. Hall, Mumford, New York, Geo. Harris, Son & Co. EXPORTS FOREIGN. For New York, per schooner Samuel W. Hall, 500 tons of lumber, cargo by Cape Cod, Geo. Harris, Son & Co. For St. Lucia, Decatur, 500 tons of lumber, cargo by Cape Cod, Geo. Harris, Son & Co.

Washington, December 17.—The President's appointments for the next year were announced today. Among them were the following: State—William W. Thomas, Jr., of Maine, to be extra ordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Sweden and Norway; Hamilton King, of Maine, to be secretary of legation and consul-general of the United States at Bogota, Colombia.

Restored Manhood. DR. MOTT'S NERVE-PILLS. The great remedy for all cases of nervous debility, prostration, and all the various cases of the genital and urinary organs, of either sex, and of all ages. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all cases of nervous debility, prostration, and all the various cases of the genital and urinary organs, of either sex, and of all ages.

Why Don't You Take Brown's Iron Bitters? Thousands of venerated certificates received during the past years, testify to the extraordinary power of the Botanic Blood Balm. (B. B. B.) will cure to stay cured, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Ulcers, Sores, and all the most malignant blood and skin diseases. Botanic Blood Balm is the best remedy for all cases of nervous debility, prostration, and all the various cases of the genital and urinary organs, of either sex, and of all ages.

Received Today. NEW KRAUT, DILL PICKLES, SOUR PICKLES, MIX NUTS, LONDON LAYER RAISINS, NEW PRUNES, DATES, FIGS, CITRUS, ALMONDS, ETC., ETC. WE WILL GUARANTEE LOWEST PRICES, AND OFFER FOR SALE THE BEST QUALITY OF GOODS ONLY IF YOU TRY US. ONCE YOUR ACCOUNT IS OURS.

Wm. E. Worth & Co. BELL TELEPHONE 64 & 94. INTERSTATE 146. WE OFFER TO THE TRADE. A complete line of Groceries that must be sold before the New Year. 125 BOXES RAISINS, 50 BAGS COCOANUTS, 300 BOXES FIRE CRACKERS, 50 BOXES MIXED NUTS, 50 BARRELS APPLES, 150 BURELS OF CAKES (all kinds).

BUCK STOVES AND RANGES. Have sold more of these goods past year than has been done by all the dealers in Wilmington of HIGH CLASS GOODS. Only White Enamel and Brass Stoves and Ranges that will absolutely stand. These will warrant in every particular. Wm. E. Springer & Co. WILMINGTON, N. C. GENERAL AGENTS FOR THE CELEBRATED BUCK STOVES AND RANGES.