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We desire a live agent and correspondent at every post-office in Vance and adjoining counties.
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The editor will not be responsible for the views or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right to edit, shorten, revise or reject any article he may think proper.
One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous communications.

THURSDAY, JAN. 27, 1895.

The Charlotte Observer reports two cases of small pox in Charlotte. The subjects are both negroes. The necessary precautions have been taken to prevent the spread of the disease and the field is not considered favorable for its contagion. At last accounts the two cases at Wilmington were doing well and the scare is subsiding.

The News and Observer has made a big stride forward in equipping its office with a \$7,500 Cox Duplex perfecting press. A decided improvement is shown in the appearance of the paper, at which both readers and advertisers will be pleased. The press is capable of printing 5,000 papers an hour. Congratulations and best wishes to our contemporary.

The Biblical Recorder, organ of the Baptists in North Carolina, appears in a new dress of type and change of make-up. All of which make it more pleasing to the eye while as for merit and interest of subject matter it lacked nothing. Ably edited, independent and outspoken in its utterances on public questions the Recorder is a strong factor in the field it occupies—and fills so well.

It has come at last, Claude Bernard the sawed-off statesman, has been appointed District Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, to succeed Chas. B. Aycock. The place is bigger than the man but this is a common thing in these days of filling political offices as mere matters of reward or as a stroke of good politics. It is believed Gov. Russell will appoint Wheeler Martin, of Pitt, to succeed Bernard as Solicitor for this Judicial District.

MR. ST. JOHN HAS NOT RESIGNED.
Another report was started last week to the effect that Mr. E. St. John, vice-president and general manager of the Seaboard Air Line, would sever his connection with that road at an early date. This time it appeared in the form of a press dispatch sent out from St. Louis, and it was the Union Pacific that had captured him.

In view of Mr. St. John's Western trip last summer and the apparent directness of the report it gained credence and many were the regrets expressed by the friends and admirers of Mr. St. John and the Seaboard. But in response to an inquiry Mr. St. John telegraphed the Raleigh Post last Saturday as follows: "I have not resigned my position as Vice President of the Seaboard Air Line." Now if Mr. St. John had only added "nor have I any idea of doing so in the near future," that would have been something entirely explicit and put the whole matter at rest.

However, we are pleased to have direct from Mr. St. John himself that he has not resigned and we hope there is a very able railroad man and has made the Seaboard a great system. Coming among us a stranger he has won the confidence and esteem of his employees, the admiration and good will of the public, and the fear and respect of his competitors. He has shown himself to be the right man in the right place and the GOLD LEAF, in common with others hopes he will continue to fill it.

RECENTLY DE. T. B. Kingsbury, the editor of the Wilmington Messenger, wrote of the excellent work which is being done by the press of North Carolina. What he said was true we think. The average newspaper in the State is worthy many times the price paid for it but the people are slow to realize this. As to running a paper on the spot cash plan, there is some difference of opinion; but we have found it impracticable. Many newspapers in this State, weeklies and dailies, take chances with a goodly number of their readers, frequently sending the paper a year or more beyond the time paid for.

The latest report of the Railroad Commission shows the following tax valuation of railroads in this State:
Atlantic Coast Line, 725 miles, value \$6,484,000; value of rolling stock \$2,720,000; other property \$1,922,000. Seaboard Air Line, 672 miles, value \$5,079,000; rolling stock \$1,448,000; other property \$1,100,000. Miscellaneous roads, 1,222 miles, value \$5,038,407; rolling stock \$669,000; other property \$103,000. Southern railway, 1,400 miles, value \$8,091,000; rolling stock \$1,097,000; other property \$104,000.

The report also shows that the Atlantic Coast Line has in this State 2,961 employees, the Southern 2,674, the Seaboard Air Line 2,408, and miscellaneous roads 2,201.

NATHANIEL MACON.

Capt. O. R. Smith, of Henderson, who is interesting himself in the matter of having statues of the two most eminent North Carolinians placed in the capital at Washington in the spaces set apart for that purpose according to act of Congress of 1858, thinks that of all others Nat Macon and Zeb Vance are the men to select. And in this he finds plenty of others to agree with him.

Desiring to learn something of the personal appearance of Mr. Macon as he looked to one who knew him, Capt. Smith wrote to the venerable Mr. James A. Egerton, late of Warren county, but now living in Raleigh, and asked him to give his recollections of that very remarkable man. To this request Mr. Egerton promptly replied and from his letter we are permitted to make the following extract:

My memory of Mr. Macon today is as indelibly fixed in my mind as though I had seen him last week or last year, but I may fail to give you of him just what you desire. Could we meet so far as to answer all questions you might ask of Mr. Macon, no doubt but you could be better satisfied than from anything I may here say.

However, I will do for you the best I can. Mr. Macon's stature was just about that of myself—say 5 feet 10 inches; shoulders and breast a little more full than mine—but by no means showing corpulency. He stood perfectly erect—contenance always well gathered and under his perfect control—never given to loose language or anecdotes. I have no recollection of ever hearing him give way to loud laughing or story telling. Always, very particular inquiring after the health, etc., of his friends and neighbors when entering company.

He was the fullest bald-head man of all my acquaintances, having only a patch of hair about as wide as your two fingers, passing along from ear to ear. His face was neither long nor contracted and cramped. Forehead full, nose neither small nor unusually large, crooked or Roman. Mouth about that of common men, neither small nor large; face full and well-developed, always fronting you well when in conversation.

Now as to features here I fail to convey as they are this day in my mind and can give you no better guide than refer you to the late Rev. James P. Moore, who I always thought had the most striking favor of Mr. Macon of all my acquaintances; and Major Alfred Alston came next in my mind.

I guess you could find a photograph of Mr. Moore with Mr. A. S. Webb or B. I. Powell, of Henderson, each of whom married a daughter of Mr. Moore. If you could get a picture of him you would come nearer seeing Mr. Macon's face and feature than any or all I can convey with my pen.

Yours very truly,
JAS. A. EGERTON.
THE NEWSPAPERS OF TODAY.
Are the people of today so much more depraved, in their tastes, than was the case twenty years ago? or are the editors of today entirely to blame for the character of papers published?

Within the memory of every man in this community there was a time when the Herald was the only paper, of any importance, in New York, which would publish questionable matter, and it was frowned upon and, outside that city's limits, almost universally tabooed.

How different from the "yellow" sheets, today, their mad race to outdo their competitors in the production of obscene literature and illustrations. Nor is the evil confined to the larger cities—gradually the poisoned virus has been inoculated into the pure country press until they too, like hungry vultures, are ever scenting for carrion.

That there is sin in the world is to be deplored but because it is ever present is no reason why the newspapers should rear the minds and hearts of those readers who until then had been pure. Familiarity breeds contempt and so may it well be added that less people know of evil the more is their abhorrence of it.—Wilson Advertiser.

Dr. Fiere's Golden Medical Discovery cures Consumption (which is Scrophulous Lung) by its wonderful blood-purifying, invigorating and nutritive properties. For weak Lungs, Spitting of Blood, Shortness of Breath, Nasal Catarrh, Bronchitis, Scrophulous Glands, Asthma, and kindred ailments, it is a sovereign remedy. While it promptly cures the severest Coughs, it strengthens the system, purifies the blood.

THE LOND BILL.

Its Passage Would be Ruination to the Country Press.

Perhaps a more unjust and unreasonable measure, as affecting the interests of the newspapers of the country, was never conceived or attempted to be enacted into law than the notorious Lond Bill. This bill having been reported from the committee (of the House of Representatives) and placed on the calendar is liable to be called up and passed at any time unless there is strong opposition on the part of publishers whose business it would most injuriously affect.

If the Lond Bill should become a law publishers can not send a sample copy of their publications to obtain new subscribers, or new advertisers, or marked copies containing advertisements or other matter, or to exchanges or for any other purpose unless it bears a cent postage stamp for each copy so sent.

According to the provisions of the bill the only ones entitled to receive newspapers at pound rates are "subscribers who voluntarily order and pay for the same." After the time paid for, good lawyers say "the pound rate would stop, and publishers would have to put a cent postage stamp on each copy sent thereafter. Such a law would fall with crushing effect upon all country newspapers. Indeed, it is believed that it would break up half of them, and so the public would be affected in consequence as well as the publishers.

Hon. Perry Heath, Assistant Postmaster General, in a letter to Mr. Lord the author of the bill, says:

"Nearly every newspaper published or circulated in a small city or town in this country would, in my opinion, be greatly injured and I believe a modification of your bill would obviate severe censure from country newspapers." Nevertheless, Mr. Lord refuses to consent to any amendment, or to allow the opponents of the bill a hearing before his committee, as we are informed by the Washington National Intelligencer.

To quote the language of that paper, "that there have been abuses of the sample copy privilege on the part of half a dozen, or a dozen publishers in the East, we admit, but that is no reason why thousands of publishers should be deprived of the privilege they have not abused. The innocent should not be made to suffer for the acts of the guilty. But they will be made to suffer if publishers do not arise at once as one man and protest against the passage of the Lond bill unless properly amended. Not an hour is to be lost! Members of Congress don't understand publishers' interests, or they would vote right. They want to be commended when they return to their districts instead of being censured. All that is needed is that publishers should write at once to their members of Congress apprising them of their wishes."

Consumption Positively Cured.
Mr. R. B. Greener, merchant, of Charlotte, Va., certifies that he had consumption, and was on the point of giving up for lost, until he got hold of a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free of charge. Trial bottles free of charge.

KITRELL LETTER.
KITRELL, N. C., Jan. 26, '95.
EDITOR GOLD LEAF—Miss Ellen Cradick has gone to Edenton to visit Mrs. J. C. Kitrell.

Mr. Pittman will write to Mr. J. B. Cradick at this place he can obtain the desired information about Rev. Josiah Cradick.

Mrs. W. W. Green, of Franklinton, and Miss Grace Blacknell of Chicago, are the guests of Mrs. O. W. Blacknell.

The family of Rev. K. D. Holmes went to Franklinton last Friday, where they will spend some weeks with the parents of Mrs. Holmes.

Mrs. C. W. Roney went to Louisville last Friday to visit her daughter, Mr. Clifton Clouthier.

We are glad to know that Mrs. H. J. Gill, who has been quite sick since Christmas, is improving.

Mrs. Joe Person left Saturday for Chapel Hill.
Mrs. Alice Ellis went to Oxford Saturday to visit relatives.
Mrs. Wilson Whitaker who has been spending some time with Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Whitaker, returned to her home yesterday.

MOTHER. There is no word so full of meaning and about which tender and holy recollections cluster as that of "MOTHER"—she who watched over our helpless infancy and guided our first tottering step. Yet the life of every Expectant Mother is beset with danger and all effort should be made to avoid it.

Mother's Friend assists nature in the changeful place that the Expectant Mother is enabled to look forward to without dread, suffering or gloomy forebodings, to the hour when she experiences the joy of Motherhood. Its use insures safety to the lives of both Mother and Child, and she is found stronger after than before confinement—in short, it "makes Childbirth natural and easy," as so many have said. Don't be persuaded to use anything but

MOTHER'S FRIEND

"My wife suffered more in ten minutes with either of her other two children than she did altogether with her last, having previously used four bottles of 'Mother's Friend.' It is a blessing to any one expecting to become a MOTHER," says a customer.
HENDERSON DALE, Carmi, Illinois.
of Druggists \$1.00, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Write for book containing testimonials and valuable information for all Mothers, free.
The Bradford Beutler Co., Atlanta, Ga.

Notice.

BY VIRTUE OF POWER CONFERRED upon me by order of the Court of the Superior Court of Vance County, in a cause herein pending entitled John L. Hughes vs. J. H. Hight, on the part of J. H. Hight, vs. M. D. Clark and others, I shall on
MONDAY, MARCH 31ST, 1895, sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the court-house door in Henderson, N. C., the following described lands to-wit: One certain tract of land situated in Vance County, N. C., bounded on the North by the lands of G. W. Hughes and F. E. Witherson, on the East by the lands of T. H. Hight, on the South by the lands of Sam'l J. Clarke and F. E. Witherson, containing about one hundred and ninety-three (193) acres. The deferred payment to bear six per cent interest and the retained until full purchase price is paid.
This 24th day of January, 1895.
JOHN L. CURRIN, Administrator of Jno. D. Clarke, dec'd.
A. C. Zollieffer, Attorney.

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WILLIAMSON
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VICK'S GENERAL GUIDE Free Upon Request. This is the most complete and valuable of its kind ever published. It contains full and complete directions for planting and culture: so comprehensive, complete and up-to-date that it is a treasure to the gardener and farmer. It is a valuable mine of information about Flowers, Vegetables and Fruits, and how to grow and care for them successfully. The price of Vick's Illustrated Guide Magazine is fifty cents per year, but if you will return this coupon with six consecutive orders for the magazine will be mailed to you regularly for six months free of charge.
VICK PUB. CO., ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Notice.
BY AUTHORITY OF THE POWER OF SALE conferred in a deed in trust executed on the 21st day of February, 1891, by Anthony Peace and Lizzie Peace his wife, and registered in book 39, page 336, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Vance county, I shall sell for cash, by public auction to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in Vance county, N. C., on the
21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1895, the property described in said deed of trust, to-wit: A tract of land on Tabbs Creek, in Kittrell Township, Vance county, adjoining the lands of Thos. Peace on the North and East, M. D. Clark on the South and West, and Junius Peace on the North-West and Tabbs Creek on the East, containing 21.28 acres. The same conveyed by Miss Margaret Peace to Lizzie Peace.
This 19th Jan., 1895.
T. THICKS, Trustee for The Parham Bros. Co.

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Baltimore, Md.
Furnishes the best advantages in Art and Music.
Teachers educated in Europe.
Orders filled in all branches of ART.
Lebert touch and method of executing in Piano.
Voice culture a specialty.
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Executor's Notice.
HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTOR of the last will and Testament of Mrs. Isabel A. M. Harris, deceased, late of Vance county, N. C., I hereby notify all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them to me, under the will, on or before the 15th day of January, A. D., 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt settlement.
C. L. WHITAKER, Executor of Isabel A. M. Harris, dec'd.
HENDERSON, N. C., Jan. 17th, 1895.
Andrew J. Harris, Attorney.

Notice.
BY VIRTUE OF POWER CONTAINED in a Trust Deed executed by John Hughes on the 21st day of Sept., 1885, I shall, on the
7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1895, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the court-house door in Henderson, N. C., the following tract of land to-wit: A tract of land lying on the East side of the road leading from Rowland's mill to Church's store and being the land on which the late Amy Hughes resided in Vance county, containing 2 1/2 acres, more or less.
This 26th day of January, 1895.
W. T. CHEATHAM, JR., Trustee.

GOAL and WOOD
Egg, Stove and Nut
Sizes of goal wood, Virginia, Tennessee and Jellico Splints, Toms Creek Domestic and Steam, Fochalons Steam, and best grade of Coke.
Will save you money on every lot you buy if you will try our prices.
J. S. POYTHRESS,
HENDERSON, N. C.

Notice.
Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of John D. Clarke, dec'd., before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Vance county, I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me on or before the 15th day of February, 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery of the same. Persons indebted to said estate must make immediate payment.
This 13th December, 1894.
JOHN L. CURRIN, Administrator of the estate of John D. Clarke, dec'd.
A. C. Zollieffer, Attorney.

Notice.
By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Vance county, filed in the case of Sandy Dickerson and others vs. J. W. Short and others, I shall sell for cash before the court-house door in Henderson, N. C., on the
7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1895, thirteen building lots 50 x 150 feet each, known as lot Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13, and situate on the plot of survey filed in said proceedings, said lots being sold for balance of purchase money due on same. Owners of said lots will have until the day of sale to pay the balance with costs of notice. A plot showing location of these lots can be seen in my office.
Jan. 3, 1895.
W. E. SHAW, Commissioner.

HARRIS' WAREHOUSE, HARRIS, GOOCH & CO., Owners and Proprietors, Henderson, North Carolina.

SAME OLD FIRM WITH A NEW AUCTIONEER
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The Best Lights! the Most Room! the Politest Help! and the Largest Orders in Our History
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If your Tobacco is here in a storm it is dry—no leaks to disturb. Our buyers have ample capital and are anxious to fill orders that are crowding them. The HARRIS WAREHOUSE shall be the best place to sell your Tobacco regardless of bombast and fine talk of other men or markets.

Our Business is to Please, Our Past Record is Our Guarantee.
Don't be deceived but SELL YOUR TOBACCO WHERE YOU CAN GET THE MOST MONEY. We know no man can surpass us for any facility to handle, to display or to dispose of your Tobacco, and we pledge our best efforts and personal attention to every pile put on the floor and to every man present or absent, without regard to race or color or any other condition.

We Guarantee Prompt Returns for all Tobacco Shipped Us and the Best Prices the Market Can Afford.
Thanking our friends for the very liberal patronage given us in the past, we respectfully solicit a continuance of the same in future, promising our best endeavors to always merit the confidence extended our house.

HARRIS, GOOCH & COMPANY.

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Some bad; some good; some better; but only one kind of BEST
That's the kind you'll always find at
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We won't have any other kind; and when you get a thing here we guarantee it to be worth every cent you pay, or you get the money back.
Men's and Boys' CLOTHING, FURNISHING GOODS, &c.,
At prices heretofore unheard of in Henderson. Our stock was never larger, the quality better.
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We do not intend to carry over a single one of these garments to next season. See our Exquisite Display of Neckwear. All the latest styles and nobbiest effects. Great variety to select from. And cheap as well.
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The Pleasure

Of doing business chiefly consists in giving satisfaction to every customer—it is the key to success in all lines of trade. A pleased customer is one secured.

We strive to merit the patronage of the public by making it both pleasant and profitable to deal with us—hence mutually satisfactory. Therefore,
We Cordially Invite

Your careful inspection of our Splendid Stock and Varied Assortment of STRICTLY SEASONABLE Merchandise, which has been judiciously selected under a determination to fully satisfy even the most scrupulous and exacting tastes.

Special Inducements Are Offer'd
In our Superb Lines of Dry Goods and Notions, Dress Goods, Trimmings, Shoes, Hats, Furnishings, &c., all of which are most complete. Our goods always have the Quality and the Style, and then too the
Prices Are Always Right.

These essentials are those for which we strive and study to give you, and past successes fully warrant continued and persistent effort. Our constant aim is for fair and square dealing—the kind that brings you back to our store.

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

In addition to the above we carry at all times a full and complete stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Flour, Salt, Shipstuffs, Hay, &c. These we buy in car load lots and can sell wholesale or retail at Bottom Figures.
Give us a call when in want of anything in our line and see if we can't make it to your advantage to trade with us.

HENRY THOMASON,

Execution Sale.
BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION Docketed in the case of O. F. Bressé & Son, vs. J. W. Clarke, placed in my hands December 13, 1894, I shall at 12 M., on the
7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1895, sell for cash, before the Court House door, in Henderson, N. C., the undivided fourth interest of J. W. Clarke, in the tract of land whereof his mother, Winda Clarke, lately died, sized and possessed, containing one hundred and four acres, more or less, and bounded by the lands of Edward Allen, M. T. Buchanan, R. W. Kearney, D. H. Lewis and others, in Sandy Creek township. To satisfy the judgment in said case.
Dec. 15, 1894.
W. H. SMITH, Sheriff of Vance county.

Trustee's Sale
OF A Very Desirable Farm.
BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER OF SALE conferred in a Deed of Trust executed on the 10th day of December, 1882, by Daniel Finch and wife, and registered in Book 25, page 138, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Vance county, I shall sell for cash by public auction to the highest bidder, at the court-house door in Vance county, N. C., on the
7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1895, the property described in said Deed of Trust, to-wit: The tract on which Daniel Finch lately lived, lying on what is known as the old road leading from Bowen's store to Fox's mill, beginning at an iron stake 41.80 chains to a stone at Crozier's store; thence N. 75° E. 19.75 chains to a stone in Williams' line; thence S. 11° W. 40.85 chains to a stone; thence West 13.75 chains to the beginning. Containing 253.58 acres.
Jan. 3, 1895.
W. B. SHAW, Trustee.