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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of a law-making the sale of intoxicating liquors illegal in the City of Hickory unless, after an election ordered upon a petition presented to the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor of said City and signed by two-fifths of the qualified registered voters of said City, a majority of said voters shall cast their ballots in favor of such sale. Also that application will be made to empower the Board of Aldermen to issue bonds for street and other public improvements to an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars, provided said issue of bonds shall be approved by a majority of the qualified registered voters of said City at an election to be called for that purpose; also to empower the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to issue bonds to an amount not to exceed seven thousand dollars to complete sewerage or water works of both

Committee.

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A Happy Parting

With you and those whiskers, you shave with us.

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The Happy Farmer

A certain class of newspaper men assert that a farmer is the most independent man on earth and that he has nothing to do but to enjoy life. That when winter comes and the blizzard's on the wing he toasts his feet in the oven and reads the local newspaper and the only thing that disturbs is a call three times a day to a banquet of mince pies and other luxuries. It is a mistake. The industrious farmer begins work long before the sun thinks of getting up. With his soul shrouded in gloom he proceeds to build a fire and soften his boots with a sledge hammer. He then takes a lantern and shovels his way to barn and feeds the hogs. It is then time to feed the newly arrived calf which seems to delight in butting a pail of milk over the tiler of the soil until he only needs to be stamped to pass for a package of oleomargarine. He crawls through a barbed wire fence and digs the hay out of the snow feeds the cows, cleans the stable, gathers up the frozen chickens, chases a stray pig worth 25 cents for four miles, and does not catch it, doctors a sick horse, freezes his fingers, gets kicked by a one eyed mule, and when the gloaming comes and quietness broods over all the earth he has a single half hour to meditate and wonder how he will pay his taxes.

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A National Child Labor Law

Senator Beveridge's bill for the abolition of child labor in the nation is likely to excite widespread interest during the remainder of the short session of Congress. The bill provides that no railroad engaged in interstate commerce shall transport from one state to another the products of any mine or factory where children are employed. The age-limit, 14, is the standard already in most of the states of the Union, some Southern states among them, and in Europe as well. It is admitted that if such a bill is passed by Congress and declared constitutional, it will be effective in the prevention of the evil of child labor where there is the greatest abuse of the system in the mills and in the mines. President Roosevelt has come out heartily in favor of the bill and it is receiving strong support from members of both parties in Congress. And that illustrious exemplar of Democracy, William Jennings Bryan, has declared himself in favor of the measure and has added that the interstate commerce clause of the constitution, as he has always contended, affords the same simple remedy against the oppression of the trusts. Of course there will be those who see in this extension of functions of the national government under this clause, a violation of the doctrine of states rights. But so was the quarantine bill, and the rate bill, and so were the pure food and meat inspection bills, to all of which the South and the Democratic party assented. The trusts have been quick to see the same connection between this and an anti-trust measure, that Mr. Bryan has pointed out. And it happens just now that the strongest advocate of states rights, or at least the most conspicuous, are the corporation lawyers. But the Democracy has had enough of lining up with these influences. One half-hearted campaign for the presidency with that alliance was enough for one generation. And we predict that the uncorrupted Democracy of the South, feeling the necessity of national protection against the oppressions of trusts and railroad corporations which are quick enough to use the interstate commerce provision to evade the state law, will be found favoring the full extension of rights of the federal government under that provision of the constitution, while the capitalized Earth, made rich by plunder of the South and West, though the debauching of such a state as New Jersey with its unlimited charter grants to corporations, will be found how contending for the scared and inviolable rights of the states and pointing out the danger to our liberties in yielding one inch to the power of the national government! One of the gravest questions for the nation to consider in the welfare of its future citizenship. The system of child labor is an injury to the welfare of that citizenship of future. And when the sacred rights of the child are considered as well as the right of any state to be protected against an unfair and inhuman system of labor, as allowed by another state, there will be an insistent demand for the suppression of the evil that will make the issue one of the liveliest ones before the American people. And the debates and discussions of the subject will doubtless make such revelations of intolerable conditions as the discussion of the meat inspection bill disclosed in the last Congress. It is to be hoped that the Democracy will be found on the right side of the issue. The Democratic platform of 1892 contained an anti-child labor plank. We believe that is the last platform on which we have done any business. It might be well to try that plank again.

SALES ARE ENORMOUS.

Cooper Preparations Leading Topic in Cincinnati. Callers at Young Man's Headquarters Interviewed.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 16.—The most interesting feature of the enormous sale of the Cooper preparations, now going on in this city, is what the medicines are actually accomplishing among the people of Cincinnati.

At the commencement of his visit here Mr. Cooper prophesied that during the later part of his stay he would receive hundreds of callers daily who came simply to thank him for what the preparations had done. He also stated that stomach trouble is the foundation for a great many diseases and that his New Discovery, as it is called, would prove very effective in all cases of rheumatism simply by getting the stomach in working order.

That this prophecy has been fulfilled cannot be doubted after a half hour spent at the young man's headquarters listening to what his callers have to say.

A reporter, who watched to ascertain, if possible, some light on the reasons for the immensity of Cooper's success interviewed about twenty of his callers yesterday afternoon. The statements made by those seen indicate that physicians who claim that Cooper is merely a passing fad, have not looked into the facts.

Some of these statements were as follows: Miss Sallie Middleton living at 1957 Central Ave. upon being questioned, said:

"I have been troubled with general weakness, dizziness, headache, sleeplessness and stomach disorders for a number of years, suffering all the time with my kidneys and back. I had tried a number of medicines and visited several doctors but none helped me. I heard on all sides of these Cooper remedies and decided to try them. Any one who says that they are not wonderful medicines, does not know what they are talking about. After I used the first bottle, I noticed a decided improvement. I have taken three bottles of the New Discovery and I now feel as well as I ever have in my life. I sleep and eat as I have not done for years, and I am happier than I have been for a long time. I have come here to thank Mr. Cooper for what he has done for me."

The statement of Mrs. M. E. Emerson living at 630 W. Court Street, was as follows:

"I have suffered with stomach trouble and constipation for a year or so. When I ate I would have bloated spells, sour stomach, fermentation bad taste in my mouth. In the morning, I was as tired as when I went to bed. I had a dull pain in the lower part of my back. I have taken almost one bottle of the New Discovery and I am wonderfully improved that I have come down here to thank Mr. Cooper in person and obtain more of the medicine."

Another statement was made by Mr. R. Luken living at 1006 Gest St., who said, "I have been a sufferer with rheumatism for several years. I could not walk or stand on my feet when Mr. Cooper came to Cincinnati. Nothing helped me in any way and I despaired of finding relief. I was in a general rundown condition, also, and had some stomach trouble. Hearing of his wonderful work my father consulted him regarding my case and purchased a bottle of his New Discovery. After I helped me in any way and I despaired of finding relief. I was in a general rundown condition, also, and had some stomach trouble. Hearing of his wonderful work my father consulted him regarding my case and purchased a bottle of his New Discovery. After I had finished that one bottle I was able to walk down town and see myself."

"I have continued to take this wonderful medicine and I am now without a sign of rheumatism. My general health is also greatly improved and I have not felt so well for years. I would not have believed that there was a medicine on earth that would do what this has done for me. I am so much happier that I am very grateful to the man that has made it possible for me to regain my health. He is the most wonderful medicine that I know anything about."

Other statements taken from those who had previously used the medicines seem to prove that Cooper's success throughout the country is genuine.

For sale by

Menzies Drug Store, Hickory,

WE BUY AND SELL DIRT

Seven room house, known as John Lawrence property, \$2,400.
Six-room house, large lot, near W. P. Huffman's residence, \$1,400.
Four-room house in East Hickory, \$650.
Six-room house in West Hickory, \$900.
Five-room house on Lance Street, \$800.
Five-room house in West Hickory, \$600.
Five-room house near Ivey Cotton Mill, \$750.
Five-room house on Lincoln Street, \$1,400.
Six-room house on Lincoln Street, \$1,500.
Valuable Property for Sale—A good water power, three stand roller mill, equipped with up-to-date Case machinery. Also corn mill and 80 acres good land, near Henry postoffice, Lincoln County, N. C. Store building, four room dwelling house, good well. A lot of splendid timber, such as pine, oak and hickory.

BUILDING PROPERTY.

One acre lot near B. F. Campbell's, \$450.
One lot 75x200 on Newton Street, \$300.
Six good lots, Horseford Heights, \$75 to \$100.
Three large lots on Watauga Street, right price.

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173 acres on Catawba river, 32 acres river bottom, 60 acres timber land; fine up land; best farm in the county; known as the Abel Seitz place, \$6,000.
66 acres three miles from Hickory, known as the Seapoch place, close to Pitts' Store, \$2,500.
Sixty acre farm six miles from Hickory on Catawba river, 25 acres of bottom land, known as the Keller place. Price \$1,500.

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