

Royal Baking Powder

Absolutely Pure

The Woman Makes the Home

She makes it best who, looking after the culinary department, turns her back resolutely upon unhealthful, or even suspicious, food accessories. She is economical; she knows that true economy does not consist in the use of inferior meat, flour, or baking powder. She is an earnest advocate of home made, home baked food, and has proved the truth of the statements of the experts that the best cooking in the world today is done with Royal Baking Powder.

Democrats Will Fight All Taft's Appointments.

Parker Anderson's Washington Letter in Greensboro News.

Speaking of the conference which was held here yesterday when it was decided to oppose the confirmation of all nominations for federal positions sent to the Senate by President Taft after Congress convenes Monday next, Representative Webb said he heartily approved of the action said to have been taken at the conference of Democratic senators.

"I am heartily in favor of holding up the confirmation of all nominations for federal jobs until after March 4," said Mr. Webb tonight. "President Taft has just put some 35,000 postmasters under the protecting hand of the civil service. I am in favor of keeping every position possible for the Democrats who have served the party."

By using obstructive tactics the Democrats can easily prevent action in the Senate until the extra session of Congress meets when the Democrats will be in control of the upper branch of Congress.

Railroads Prosperous, and Wilson Elected, Too!

Lexington Dispatch.

If the condition of the railroad business is a barometer of the prosperity of any section of the North Carolina is undergoing a great expansion. For officials of the Southern Railway announce that their line has had more freight from October 10 to November 10 than in any similar period in the history of the road. The business has been especially heavy over the branch lines which have poured a great flood of traffic on to the main line. Every engine and every available car on the road has been in service and then the railroad's facilities were not adequate. Every man in the service, from the general superintendent down to the humblest employe, has been working night and day trying to move the vast volume of freight, and the railroad's only fear is that they may not be able to handle the tremendous business. The passenger business has not been above normal and in eastern Carolina, in fact, it has fallen a little behind.

Presbyterian Church Notes

The pastor will preach at both services next Sunday.

The Missionary Baseball game between the teams studying "Winning the Oregon Country" will take place on Friday, Dec. 20, at seven o'clock in the evening in the Sunday School room. Below is the lesson for next Sunday.

Two Thousand Miles for a Book
This play which treats of Indian life in the Oregon Country, will be given at the Hub Theatre on Monday night, Dec. 23. It presents the earnest desire of the Indians for the white man's "Book of Heaven", and their delegation sent to St. Louis for a copy. Two of the Indians died there, and only one got back at last. But finally missionaries, Jason Lee and Whitman arrived.

The play will have Indian stage settings, costumes, and songs. The money above expenses will likely be given to the Blue Ridge Building at Black Mountain, where the Young Peoples' Missionary movement holds its summer school.

Chapter 9

1. What news stirred Whitman to speedy action to secure Oregon for the United States?
2. What did he resolve to do?
3. What date did they set on?
4. What fact made Whitman's journey to the East so perilous?
5. What made it necessary then?
6. Describe his route. How long was it?
7. How far did his guides go with him?
8. Describe the incidents of great danger that happened.
9. What did Whitman do in his hour of peril?
10. Through what city did he pass?
11. How close did he come to the limit of time when he reached Washington?
12. What did he do there?
13. What did he do in the east besides plead for annexation?
14. How many people were in the immigrant party Whitman led back?
15. Mention some other things besides people that were in the immigrant train?
16. What care did Whitman show to all?
17. How did they get their wagons over Quake river?
18. What decision did Congress reach and when?

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The compost heap at the barn of Mr. K. C. Menzies caught on fire during the hour of service Thanksgiving morning, but was quickly extinguished. The fire department responded promptly but the horses had a hard struggle up the Claremont Heights hill.

A 3 inch snow fell Wednesday night and we had a white Thanksgiving. The snow would doubtless have been two inches deeper if it had not melted rapidly on a rain-soaked ground when it first fell. The snow was general, and reached even to south Georgia.

Dr. J. A. Foll, for more than 30 years member of the faculty of Catawba College, and since last commencement professor emeritus, died at his home in Newton Thursday night, after a long illness, and was buried Friday. He is survived by his wife and three daughters. Dr. Foll was born in Cabarrus County in 1847. As teacher and preacher he was one of the leading figures in the North Carolina Reformed Church.

He Caught Cold.

A cold day may end with catarrh or pneumonia. Catarrh is bad and unpleasant to your friends. Pneumonia is quickly dangerous, often death itself. Keep the breathing apparatus open and clean. All diseases of the throat and bronchial tubes cured quickly, pleasantly by Dr. King's Wild Cherry and Tar. "It tastes good." Even chronic bronchitis gives away before King's, 25c., guaranteed by all medicine dealers.

Interlude.

Buttinsky (touching pianist in most soulful part of his playing)—Excuse me, sir, but would you mind waiting while I sneeze?—Harper's Bazar.

Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertising of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he had not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says, "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is more effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

Formed Queer Alliance.

A pair of linnets made their nest in a beehive on a farm in Switzerland, and have succeeded in coming to an understanding with the bees, so that both branches of the natural world dwell in peace and harmony together. The birds and the bees use a common entrance to the hive.

Could Shout for Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism, from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism. Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at C. M. Shuford, Moser & Lutz, or Grimes Drug Co.

Fish Puzzles Scientists.

A quantity of extraordinary and quite unknown fish has been landed by a trawler at Granton, England. The fish were caught while the vessel was engaged in trawling in the North sea. Fish-curers and experts state that they have never seen this species before. It has the appearance of a herring, but the head is pointed and the tail forked, while the eye covers the whole side of the head.

A brilliant man once said: "Dr. King's Sarsaparilla is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw. I was run down, nervous, weak, could not sleep—was a very sick man. I took a thorough course—six bottles—and am well."

JNO. W. STAGG.

And it not only makes men as good as new, but women as well. Sold by all medicine dealers.

Being Practical.

Practical people are wise people. Genius may create brilliant ideas, and be of a very active turn of mind, but money makes the mare go, and what practical people really wish is to have a pot, to have that full of potatoes, and to have fire enough to make the pot boil.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed.

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.

Luxury and Dissipation.

Luxury and dissipation, soft and gentle as their approaches are, and silently as they throw their silken chains about the heart, enslave it more than the most active and turbulent vices.—Hannah More.

Cured of Liver Complaint.

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by all dealers.

Classics in Upheaval.

At the time of a car strike it was a Cambridge high school boy who translated scabies extrozium capiat (the devil take the hindmost) as "let the scab take the rear platform."—Boston Herald.

Subscriptions Payable in Advance

The attention of our subscribers is again directed to our cash-in-advance plan, which is now in effect. All subscribers are asked to keep their subscriptions paid up well in advance. Our field representative, Mr. S. J. Lawrence, will call on a great number of subscribers and will be pleased to get your renewal. He will also be in position to offer a splendid club combination. Read the offer on the last page.

HIDES.

Prices paid at the Hickory Tannery:
Green Hides 13 1-2c per pound.
Partly cured hides 9c " "
Green Salted Hides 12c " "
Dry Flint Hides 20c " "
Dry Salted Hides 18c " "
Tallow 6c " "
Eye Straw 40c per 100 lb

Bost & Newton

Offer the best line of Groceries that money will buy. You will find here also all the best there is in Country Produce, Chickens, Eggs, Butter, Etc.

A Sanitary Meat Market Annex

enables us to furnish the best Meats at the most reasonable prices. We are also agents and receiving daily shipments of

Todd's Cream Bread

Try a loaf of this delicious bread with your next order for groceries.

BOST & NEWTON

QUICK DELIVERY PHONE NO. 35

Special Holiday Reduction

We wish to say to the trading public of Hickory and Catawba County that our entire stock of Men's, Youth's and Boys' Clothing, Shoes, Hats, and a full line of up-to-date seasonable Gents' and Ladies' Furnishings will go at a fair reduction.

Now is the Time

To get a Nice Suit or Overcoat at your own Price.

Our Ladies Department

consists of up-to-date Coats and Fur Coats, Skirts, Shirts-waists and ready trimmed hats will go at a great reduction.

You Owe It To Yourself

to visit our store before buying elsewhere. We are positive that we can save you money, although we are not bankers.

THE UNDERSELLING STORE

L. E. ZERDEN, Proprietor.



New Shipment of Boys' Fine Clothing

We have just opened a new Holiday Stock of fine Clothing for Boys. Blue Serge and Fancy Suits in all sizes, from

\$5.00 to \$10.00

It will pay you to examine our stock before you buy.

Moretz-Whitener Clothing Company
THE QUALITY SHOP

ALL KINDS OF GAME

Such as Squirrels, Rabbits, O'Possums, Quail, etc., bought at highest market prices by

Brawley & Poovey

Fresh Meats, Fish and Oysters always on hand. Free delivery.

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Old Field's Stand.



Nyals Rheumatic Remedy

There is nothing certain in the treatment of rheumatism—nothing guaranteed to cure but NAYALS REMEDY comes closest to any remedy receiving a guarantee.

Assists the kidneys in cleansing the blood—stimulates the kidneys, bladder and liver to renewed activity thereby ridding the system of uric acid—the chief cause of rheumatism. You get relief in the first bottle—it's well worth your trying.

MOSER & LUTZ, Druggists.

"ON THE CORNER."

Quail Plentiful

In Catawba County and Vicinity

as they were when the East wind blew them up for the children of Israel in the Wilderness.

Shoot Peter's Shells

We also sell U. M. C. and Winchester Shells and Cartridges, and all the up-to-date makes of Shot Guns and other Fire Arms.

A Dream of the Happy Hunting Grounds

is our store window. Look in it for a Christmas Present for your Sportsman friend.

Shuford Hardware Co.

A VITAL PROBLEM

Every one dreams of some day being rich, and one of the pleasant thoughts of youth is that of spending an old age in comfort and ease.

That so few reach this fortunate state is due to a large measure to neglect of opportunities.

When money is easy to make, and health is good, it is hard to see any reason not to spend it all, but just here lies the vital point.

The whole secret of success is to accumulate during the earning period—to learn to spend a little less than we make, to lay up the balance.

In doing this, you will find a Bank an invaluable help. Open up a Banking account, and deposit your earnings—pay your bills by check, and build up a balance for the future.

The first National Bank of Hickory will be glad to open either checking or saving accounts, and will take pleasure in explaining the many advantages of this form of keeping your accounts.

Four Per Cent Interest paid on Saving Accounts. Compounded Quarterly.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

HICKORY, N. C.

Capital and Surplus \$250,000.00.

Big Reduction Sale

In Ladies' Hats and Coat Suits
Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6th and 7th
—Two Days Only—

We are putting on this sale in order to make room for our big line of Holiday Goods. If you need a Hat and Suit you should not put it off longer but come at once and buy from us. Never before have we cut prices as we will on Friday and Saturday

Ladies' Hats, from 50c to \$3.50 each
Childs' Hats, from 25c to \$1.00 each
\$7.50 Suits, for \$5.00 \$10.00 Suits, for \$7.50
\$12.50 Suits for \$9.80 \$15.00 Suits, for \$10.60

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