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ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 1892.

We know something of the scarcity  
of money. We feel it every hour of  
the day. We feel it in our purse.  
No one realizes it more than the edi-  
tor of the country newspaper. We  
have, therefore, decided to adopt  
the ONE DOLLAR CASH system for  
1892. In order to be able to afford  
this we must greatly increase our  
circulation.

We must have cash in advance.  
Those who get the paper on time  
must pay the regular price of \$1.50  
per year.

Those who do not pay cash, but  
pay in trade will receive the paper  
for the old price of \$1.50.

Those who are new subscribers  
must pay up back subscriptions and  
pay \$1.00 in addition in order to get  
advantage of this offer.

This reduction to \$1.00 a year will  
last only during the months of Jan-  
uary and February. After that  
time we will go back to the old  
price.

This is campaign year and those  
who want the COURIER had better  
pay up and take advantage of the  
\$1.00 proposition at once.

Those who have already paid be-  
yond the first of March can get the  
COURIER a year from the time paid  
up to by giving us \$1.00.

Remember you must pay up to  
the present at the rates of \$1.50 and  
then add \$1.00 for another year in  
order to get advantage of the above  
reduction.

Now we think the fore-going ex-  
planations are clear. Please read  
them carefully and do not ask us to  
do some other way than we have  
proposed.

The COURIER promises to be  
what the people make it. If it is  
well fed it will be lively and hearty;  
if it is allowed to get hungry it can  
not do the work it desires to do.  
Let everybody co-operate and it  
will accomplish much.

OF COURSE ALL EDITORS are  
not supposed to have all practical  
knowledge of farming, but that does  
not hinder them from giving timely  
advice with reference to certain  
points on the subject of agriculture.  
For instance all surely know that 20  
and 20 make forty and that 40 from  
40 leaves nothing. They know that  
if the fertilizer and the labor and  
other expenses (not counting the  
farmer's own labor) in raising a 500  
pound bale of cotton amounts to  
\$40.00 and the same is sold for  
\$40.00 that the farmer has lost his  
labor. They know that the farmer  
who has not counted the actual cost  
of raising a bale of cotton does not  
know how much he has made or  
lost. Everybody knows, if he will  
stop to think, that if he raises his  
own wheat, corn, oats and meat that  
he will have something to eat and  
by raising a little surplus of these  
to sell he can buy something to wear.  
So we think the movement that is  
now gathering itself together in the  
South and West to reduce the acre-  
age of cotton and increase the acre-  
age in the cereals is to be highly  
commended.

There is another point that con-  
cerns the farmer, on which we would  
like to venture an opinion, and that  
is: That it is no use to fight the  
moneyed men "off head" while they  
have got the National Government  
for a "rest." So long as the money-  
eyed men have the tariff and the  
pensions to back them, all efforts  
to get an equal distribution of  
wealth will be in vain. So, let the  
farmer to his plow, the mechanic to  
his plane, the merchant to his  
measure, the editor to his pen and  
the Congressman to the tariff.

WE PUBLISHED recently a dis-  
patch taken from the State Chronicle  
stating that Dr. Grissom, formerly  
superintendent of the Insane Asy-  
lum at Raleigh, was himself an in-  
mate of a similar institution in Col-  
orado. We learn from the Wilming-  
ton Messenger that the report is en-  
tirely false.

"My head! My head! My God,  
My head!" These were the last  
words of the late Senator Plumb.  
The doctor gave him an hypodermic  
injection of morphine and he  
died. "R. J. H. Hatchett, M. D." takes  
the case for a text, and says  
through the Durham Globe:

Was it right to give the mor-  
phine?  
Was it wrong to withhold the  
lanect?

From an old fogy stand-  
point, the administration of mor-  
phine to an individual threatened  
with apoplexy, is a murderous  
practice.

But, "it relieved the pain," you  
say. Yes, and in so doing you  
robbed the man of his best friend.  
The pain was the voice and lan-  
guage of nature crying out that the  
brain wanted relief from the pres-  
sure of its engorged blood vessels.  
I appeal to the old fogies of  
all christendom—to all those who  
have not entirely ignored the wis-  
dom, experience and teaching of all  
the fathers of medicine, from Hip-  
ocrates and Galen to Rush and Phy-  
sicians—and to those who have not  
ignored their own experience in the  
many thousand cases in which they  
have seen prompt relief afforded. I  
appeal to them to say, if in Senator  
Plumb's case, a free bleeding would  
not have afforded him a chance of  
recovery, and if there were but one  
chance in a million, he was not en-  
titled to that chance?

Lots of common sense in all that.  
—Statesville Landmark.

A Chronicle reporter interviewed  
a number of business men yesterday  
about the effects of prohibition.  
Some of these men rent houses  
and they report that the rents have  
been more promptly paid the last  
week than heretofore. Clothing  
men say the poor are buying more  
and better clothing, and grocery-  
men say they are better providing  
themselves with food. Many a day  
laborer who is dependent on his  
day's wages for a living, went home  
last night sober, with meal in the  
larder and money in his purse.  
There is a new and brighter ray of  
light shining across the path of  
many an humble home in Char-  
lotte and Mecklenburg county now.  
Prohibition is for the poor.—Char-  
lotte Chronicle.

No Third Party.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9.—At  
the session to-day of the national  
conference of the State presidents  
of the Farmers' Alliance, held at  
the Hillman House, the following  
resolutions declaring against a third  
party movement were unanimously  
adopted:

"Resolved, That it is the senti-  
ment and desire of this conference  
of the presidents of the Farmers'  
Alliance and Industrial Union that  
the delegates for the F. A. and I.  
U. who attend the industrial con-  
ference to be held in St. Louis Feb-  
ruary 22, 1892, use their influence  
and vote to establish and perfect  
fraternal relations with all the labor  
organizations represented in said  
meeting, with the Ocala demands  
as a basis for a platform of prin-  
ciples, and that such platform be  
presented to the national conven-  
tions of the democratic party, the repub-  
lican party and the people's party  
this year, with an earnest request  
that the principles involved be en-  
grafted into their platforms for the  
coming national election of 1892.  
But that they carefully refrain from  
committing our orders as such to  
affiliation with any political party or  
parties."

The conference was presided over  
by President Polk, with W. F.  
Gwynne as secretary. A memorial  
to Congress has been adopted,  
which deprecates the agricultural de-  
pression and asserts that it is due  
mainly to partial and unfriendly  
legislation. It is claimed that the  
financial system is defective; that  
all money should be issued directly  
by the government to the people at  
a low rate of interest and in suf-  
ficient volume to meet the legiti-  
mate demands, and that silver  
should have all the rights in coin-  
age and the qualities of legal tender  
that gold possesses.—Charlotte News.

you can get it for \$1.00  
Merchants should Advertise. It  
helps them and speaks well for the  
town.

Charlotte's Eminent Presby-  
terian Divine is no More.

By telegraph to the News & Observer.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 11.—  
Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., pastor of  
the First Presbyterian church of  
this city, died yesterday afternoon  
at 4:20 at the Manse in this city af-  
ter an illness of three weeks. The  
angel of death has hovered over the  
home of this goodly man for the  
past three days, and this noble life  
has been flickering as only human  
life can when fanned by the swift  
wings of the messenger of death.  
But few even among his most inti-  
mate friends were aware of the se-  
riousness of his condition, and when  
the quiet of the Sunday afternoon  
was broken by the tolling of the first  
church bell many wondered without  
knowing what it meant. Like a  
clap of thunder from a clear sky the  
news went around town, "Dr. Miller  
is dead." Dr. Miller has been pas-  
tor of the First Presbyterian church  
of this city for the past thirty-six  
years with the exception of a short  
period during the war, when he was  
stationed at Petersburg, Va. Dr.  
Miller went to Huntersville three  
weeks ago to act as moderator, and  
while there he caught a severe cold  
and returned home sick. A week  
ago he appeared to be better, and  
was able to sit up when he had a  
relapse from which he never rallied.  
He was to have preached his fare-  
well sermon yesterday a week ago,  
having recently accepted the posi-  
tion of pastor Emeritus, but was  
too sick to appear in the pulpit.  
Few then realized that his last  
sermon had been preached. In the  
death of this noble man of God, the  
State in general, and the city of  
Charlotte in particular, has lost one  
whose place cannot easily be filled.  
C. A. MATHEWS.

Every Inmate at the Home  
Sick.

RALEIGH, Jan. 11.—Every inmate  
at the Confederate Soldiers' Home  
here is sick with the grip, some ec-  
casionally so. Four deaths have oc-  
curred in the past few weeks. The  
dead are John Prince, G. H. Thom-  
as, J. H. Sandiford and B. M. Cole-  
man. The last named died yester-  
day. He was in the forty-third  
North Carolina Regiment and a na-  
tive of Cabarrus county. He was  
buried to-day in the Confederate  
cemetery, very near the Home, and  
one of the saddest things was that  
not one of the inmates of the Home  
was able to attend the funeral,  
which was conducted by the Con-  
federate Veterans.

The general sitting room of the  
Home has been converted into a  
temporary hospital. In this and the  
regular hospital the thirty sick  
are receiving most careful attention.

For the COURIER.  
Railroad Officials.

MR. EDITOR:—To be a GEN-  
TLEMAN in any and all places of  
public trust, is a true indication of  
a good heart and a sound mind. To  
be the reverse in most cases shows  
a base heart.

I have been led to these conclu-  
sions from observations taken along  
the line of travel during the last  
year and a half. It is astonishing  
how soon a position on a line of  
railroad, and a little brief authority  
can frizzle out all elements of hu-  
manity from the soul(?) of the  
beardless, brainless boy of this gen-  
eration.

A large number of the boys of to-  
day, who manage the depots and  
telegraphic lines along the roads,  
left their homes too soon when they  
should have been developing their  
mines in some good school, and they  
imagine (not all of them) that a  
position in a depot, as agent or oper-  
ator, places them so far above the  
balance of mankind that to speak  
civilly to a stranger would be a con-  
descension upon their part. Some  
of these "young bloods" left the  
parental roof because they could  
not stand parental restraints. They  
left, too, destitute of Common Sense,  
and to date, they have held their  
own remarkably well.

One cold night some weeks since,  
I entered a depot with an old mi-  
nister and several strangers, to await  
the arrival of a delayed train. There  
was a good fire in the grate, and  
the old man, half frozen, attempted  
to step forward to warm himself. A  
lad of probably 16 summers who  
was sitting in a warm corner with a  
little girl on his lap very pompously  
ordered him out of the room, stating  
that there were other fire places  
where he could warm, if he was  
cold.  
I watched the poor old man as he

walked out, and heaving a deep  
sigh, he placed himself in a corner  
of the building outside to be shielded  
from the cold wind. I confess to  
you that, minister as I am, I felt  
grateful that I was not the man or-  
dered out. Such a temptation and  
from such a source, would have ex-  
cited my Saxon-Scottish blood, and  
the insulting chap would have been  
taught a lesson that his parents failed  
to teach him.

Railroad men should see that they  
put men of Common Sense in their  
depots, and be sure they are GEN-  
TLEMEN. R. L. ABERNETHY.

Lovesville Letter.

[The following communication  
was crowded out of last week's is-  
sue. It contains some good, sensi-  
ble talk, Ed.]

EDITOR COURIER:—The old man  
'91 is gone the way of the good and  
the young man '92 has started on  
his journey. He will bring many  
jolts and jars to the people of this  
grand old county—or rather—the  
people will jar and jolt themselves  
and their neighbors while he is on  
his sojourn with us. He will also  
bring many pleasures and joys to  
us Lincolites. The Politician of  
all shades and persuasions will  
make their quoadrennial visits and  
vie with each other in their elucida-  
tions of their particular creeds and  
Planks that make up their party  
platform.

But for all this the Tax collector  
will make his annual round and the  
farmer will live by the sweat of his  
brow and the corn and cotton he  
can raise.

The Tariff may oppress him. The  
crop of cotton and corn may fail  
him. But for all these, the farmer  
is the bone and sine of the Nation.  
May he prosper in this year of 1892.

It is an old adage that the harder  
the times are, the more the people  
marry. This has been verified down  
here this winter. We never knew  
of more marriages in one winter  
here. There has been several  
deaths also. Belle Roberts one of  
the most respectable colored women  
of this neighborhood, died here last  
week. She was beloved by all, both  
white and black. She was raised in  
Lincolnton and has been living here  
eleven years.

Mr. Bart Nixon had the misfor-  
tune to sprain his ankle last week.  
Master Will Gilleland left for Ash-  
ville last Monday. Mr. J. L. Thomp-  
son of Statesville is visiting relatives  
here. Mr. Jasper King of Harvey  
left for Catawba College today.  
The closing exercises of Prof. B. N.  
Abernethy's school here Dec. 24th,  
1891, were quite entertaining and  
showed the training ability of Prof.  
Abernethy.

The farmers are speaking of using  
but little guano this season, a wise  
conclusion we think. We are not  
much of an expert on farming but  
we can "figure" some, and how a  
farmer can pay thirty dollars for  
guano enough to raise one bal-  
of cotton is more than we can "figure  
out." Let the farmers plant less  
Guano and more "hog and hominy"  
is our motto. Tuen the money  
lords may hoard all the money in  
the universe and so contract the  
currency as to bring cotton to one  
cent per pound but the farmer can  
"chaw his own grits" and live on  
just the same. He can store his  
cotton in his own "Sub-Treasury"  
and show to his posterity what a  
foel he had been to raise a commodity  
the production of which cost him so  
much he had never been able to sell  
it. This is a glorious country, but  
we fear little Ben's Engineers are  
letting some of the machinery run  
too long without oiling. It may  
cause a wreck on their cars this  
Fall.

Wishing you and your many read-  
ers a happy New Year and hoping  
the "wolf" may be kept far from all  
your doors the present year and  
praying that all may reap the full  
measure of their expectations in  
their battle for supremacy.

I am yours obediently,  
BILL SHANKS,  
Lovesville, N. C. Jan. 5th, '92.

CHERRYVILLE LETTER.

Bob Peak Talks Sound  
Doctrine.

I wish those who do not know the  
facts, to know that I was raised on  
a farm and taught to, and have fol-  
lowed nothing else as a whole busi-  
ness during my life, and feel as much  
interested in the farm business as  
any man of my size and age, and  
claim to be one of the first to advo-  
cate the organization of the farmers  
for their own defense and mutual  
protection, and so far as these prin-

ciples are maintained I am with and  
for the organization allowing all  
men freedom of thought, freedom of  
speech and freedom of the press,  
each one serving God under his own  
vine and fig tree, none daring to  
molest. These are doctrines taught  
by the Democracy of the nation,  
handed down from sire to son, and  
will be perpetuated as long as time  
lasts. Men's minds may change,  
principles never—no, never. Some  
leaders, or would-be such, have  
taught and are still teaching the  
erroneous doctrine that all men who  
dare differ with their views or ideas  
are deadly enemies of the Farmers'  
Alliance. This idea is a false and  
malicious slander and calculated to  
stir up bad blood in the hearts of  
good and honest men, and therefore  
should not be tolerated in a civilized  
and religious nation. All men every-  
where who will so degrade them-  
selves will come to naught soon or  
late, and the sooner the better. The  
Alliance is made up of our best and  
most honest, hard working men, and  
it is truly surprising that they will  
allow themselves to be driven into  
the slaughter pen, roped and knifed  
by a set of leaders who doubtless  
never were producers but scheming  
politicians filled with deception and  
demagoguism; playing the part of  
Arnold, yea, even worse—Judas-like  
betraying their followers with even  
what they would have them believe  
a holy kiss. Shall we do evil that  
good may come to us? God forbid.  
The Alliance leaders are like spoiled  
children always begging for candy.  
Some of their demands are righteous  
and ought to be granted, and I as-  
sert will be if the Democrats ever  
get control of the National Govern-  
ment, while others are ridiculous,  
absurd and mischievous. Read and  
study this:—"We demand the most  
rigid and honest and just state and  
national governmental control and  
supervision of the means of public  
communication and transportation,  
and if this control and supervision  
does not remove the abuses now ex-  
isting, we demand the government-  
al ownership of such means of com-  
munication and transportation." I-  
th's financial reform? The Col.  
must be a poor calculator. If com-  
munication and transportation  
means anything, it means every-  
thing, the ships on the high seas,  
the steamers on the bays and navi-  
gable rivers, the railroads and tele-  
graphs, etc. Will the Col. or some  
of his satellites inform his Alliance  
brethren and the anxious public how  
he intends to get into the posses-  
sion of this governmental control, or  
if in possession, what he, his Alli-  
ance brethren, or the nation would  
be benefited by such control under  
the present administration, or the  
next, if he continues to sow the  
seeds of discord and plow his fiery  
billows to the dividing of the Dem-  
ocracy, the only true reform party  
that has ever existed. Does the  
Col. intend to force Congress to en-  
act a law to compel the stockhold-  
ers composing the great companies,  
first, to lease on trial, and if not  
satisfactory, finally to sell out their  
entire interest to the Government  
and take trust for pay. Oh, consis-  
tency, where hast thou flown?  
Would such a law be equal justice  
to all and special favors to none?  
Where is that liberty guaranteed to  
Americans to own and control prop-  
erty? What amount of money  
would it take to pay for the trans-  
portation and communication fix-  
tures and machinery, say nothing of  
salaries? If the Col. will give me  
the interest at his 2 per cent., I will  
pledge him my honor, if I have any,  
I will never try to get between him  
and the Presidential chair. Will  
the Col. make the enumeration in-  
cluding the expenditures of the 51st  
Congress? So much for reform and  
3rd partyism or non-partisanism. If  
the non partisan leaders will drop  
their third party tomfoolery and let  
the good honest Democratic Alli-  
ance men alone, next November will  
chronicle to the nation's credit and  
safety one more national victory, but  
this of itself could bring very little  
relief with a Republican Senate.  
Very little reform could be brought  
about. The Republicans have the  
executive and the Senate now, con-  
sequently the great Democratic ma-  
jority in the House of Representa-  
tives is worth nothing to the nation  
more than to hold in check the vile,  
ambitious executive and Jacobin  
Senate. The House can pass any  
act of reform it may wish, for in-  
stance repeal the heinous McKinley  
tariff law. The Senate would not  
concur, and if it does, the President  
will veto it, and still the law will  
stand for it can not be passed over  
his veto. This is exactly the condi-  
tion of affairs and it is to be hoped

that Democrats will expect but lit-  
tle reform from the 52nd Congress,  
but abide their time and when No-  
vember comes go to the election and  
in solid mass of true Democracy  
come down upon the ballot box like  
a mighty avalanche and victory will  
perch upon our banners, but listen  
to demagogues, and reform of every  
nature takes the wings of the morn-  
ing and flies to the uttermost parts  
of the earth, never probably to re-  
turn.  
BOB PEAK,  
Cherryville, N. C., Jan. 11, '92.

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In Advance

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a merry Xmas. The big holi-  
day stock has come. The ele-  
gant presents are now on exhibi-  
tion. The shrewd buyers are  
getting the first pick from our  
grand display of holiday goods.  
Make as many people happy as  
you can; make them happy by  
some suitable gift from our  
stock of choice holiday novel-  
ties, which abound in dainty,  
dazzling and desirable presents  
for young and old. They will  
fill the stockings without emp-  
tying the purse. To look thro'  
our splendid assortment is a  
pastime; to price the goods is a  
pleasure; to possess them is a  
privilege. We promise the best  
in quality, the most in quanti-  
ty, and the lowest price to all  
without distinction of age or  
class, and back of our promise  
stands our splendid stock of  
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We extend to one and all a cor-  
dial invitation to visit our won-  
derful display of new and beautiful hol-  
iday goods, especially selected with  
a view to meeting the every require-  
ment of the gift makers of this lo-  
cality. Our magnificent stock in-  
cludes innumerable attraction per-  
fectly adapted to meet the require-  
ments of people who are in search  
of gifts for old and young. Every-  
body come and bring the children.

Respectfully,  
J. L. KISTLER, Propr.  
Sept. 18, 1891

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rows, fence wire, in fact EVERY-  
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hereby tendered the public for their  
liberal patronage and encourage-  
ment. The new firm will endeavor  
to merit a continuance of same.  
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goods or not. All questions cheer-  
fully answered, except as to weath-  
er forecast.

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