

THE MONROE JOURNAL

Monroe, N. C.
Founded 1894 by the present owners, G. M. Beasley and R. F. Beasley.



THE JOURNAL BUILDING, Corner Jefferson and Beasley Sts. Telephone No. 19.

G. M. BEASLEY, Business Mgr. JOHN BEASLEY, Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATE One Year \$2.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1921

AN UNUSUAL INCIDENT.

The General Assembly, in passing a special act authorizing the admission of Miss Jane Dixon to the state insane asylum, moves the Statesville Landmark to remark that it was a right act done in the wrong way, and in discussing this unusual incident the Statesville paper says: "The lady is a daughter of Dr. A. C. Dixon, noted Baptist minister, and has been insane for some years. Her father is a native of this state, owns property in the state. He has not, however, been a bona fide resident of the state for years and his daughter became insane while living without the state. She was not, therefore, legally admissible to our state institutions, in fact had no legal claim on any state institution, as Dr. Dixon travels much in his work and has no legal residence at this time in any state. To keep a patient in private institutions is very expensive, beyond ordinary means. Dr. Dixon was under the circumstances shut off from claiming the benefits of any public institution for his daughter. As he had more claim on his native state than any other his case appealed and when presented to the Legislature prompt action was taken.

"And yet a dangerous precedent has been established. It would have been far better, and the wiser course, to amend the laws as to give boards of directors discretion in a case like that of Dr. Dixon's. There are not a few cases of ministers whose work calls them from state to state, or in whom infirmities may fall at a time when they had not established a legal residence in any state, that is in the same footing as that minister. The laws governing admission to state institutions could be changed so to provide for such cases with danger only of a minimum of abuse. But if the Legislature goes into the business of ordering the admission of patients into state institutions, it can be foreseen that anybody with political influence may set such an order from the Legislature for cases that are unworthy or not entitled to admission on any ground, and they would be ordered in regardless of the prior status of meritorious cases. The opportunities for abuse are too obvious to admit of discussion.

"The chance that should be made, and at once, is to take care of such cases as that of Dr. Dixon, who had a moral claim and a semi-legal claim but was shut out by the legal restriction, without opening the flood-gates to all who can secure the championship of influential legislators."

JOSHUA IS IN TROUBLE

Religious Leader Arrested For Taking Money of Disciples. Joshua Sykes, the "Great Jehovah and King of Heaven and Earth," will appear in police court in Denver, Col., to answer to a charge of operating a confidence game. Sykes is alleged to have obtained \$150 from a former member of the "Temple of David," a religious cult of which Sykes is the high potentate, by asserting that the end of the world was at hand and no one would have any use for money.

Many weird tales of religious fanaticism have been unearthed by police in connection with an investigation of the "Temple" conducted here by Sykes, and Chief of Police Armstrong has filed complaint with the district attorney's office alleging that the Temple was "Nothing but a breeding place for free love."

Affidavits filed for former followers of Sykes that he had proclaimed himself the "New Christ," according to Mrs. Hattie Mathewson, who says she went through the "ordeal of fire" to become a member of the flock in order to save her sister from what she calls the "terrors of Jehovahism."

Other complaints allege that "Jehovah" has discharged his legal wife and had made Marie Friede, a wealthy divorcee and faithful follower, "Queen of the Temple," and that he frowns upon marriage and exhorts his followers to disregard all marriage vows.

Charges of contributing to the delinquency of children are pending against Sykes in juvenile court, it being alleged that he ordered his followers to cease work for seven months because the world was coming to an end, resulting in attention to many children whose parents are members of the "Temple of David."

Did you ever not... layer of a box of... best?

A PRINTER IN LUCK

Tarheel Compositor Receives Sweetest Smile of Fortune.

Kirk Smith, a former newspaper man, shorthand teacher, press agent, showman and a job compositor, is the happiest man in forty-eight states. Smith has lived in five countries and thirty states and has led a varied and adventurous life, but it was while working for the Judge Printing company in this city that fortune gathered all her flowers into one bouquet and showered them upon him, writes the Fayetteville correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer.

The jovial job compositor recently found in his mail two registered letters, either one of which would have furnished a fitting climax for an O. Henry tale. To begin with the one that will always hold second place in the recipient's memory, Smith received a registered letter from his sister in Norfolk informing him that a wealthy old lady he had once saved had died and left him a part of her estate. This would have been enough to crown the life story of the average man, but Mr. Smith's friends can scarcely get him to talk about his good luck in this respect, because this information reached him the day after he had signed for a registry letter that had set him to walk on treaded air.

When Smith lived in New York city twenty-four years ago he knew and loved a little girl whose picture he has ever carried in his heart. Mother objected to their marriage, and they parted, the girl's family moving west. The lovers lost sight of each other. Smith had wandered over a large part of the world since then, but he has never forgotten "Kitty," she had long since passed completely from his life but her memory had never been replaced in his heart by any other affection, and through many years and in many lands he had remained faithful to his first love.

This was the situation when Kirk Smith tore open a little blue letter bearing a meaningless name and an address to San Diego, California. But he had not read three lines before he knew it was from his Kitty. And she was still his. She was a widow now, left comfortably well off and living in the sunniest region of the Land of Flowers, and wondering if Kirk thought of her sometimes. How his address came to her possession is a mystery that Smith did not wait to unravel. He rushed to a telegraph office and dispatched a night letter. It read:

"Like an angel's echo came your precious letter today. Making special delivery. Remember, always, Kitty, my darling, the morning's bright sun in its splendor shall fail to efface heaven's teardrops, the dew, and the number her firstborn shall fail to remember, oh, I, darling Kitty, prove faithless to you."

"Lovingly" "Kirk." The message that came in reply is not for publication, but it contained some reference to orange groves.

Smith has led a varied and checkered life. He has been a shorthand reporter on the New York Sun, where he worked under Dana and Lord; a city editor on the old Norfolk Pilot; a press agent for various shows, as well as manager and proprietor of shows, his work in the show business carrying him to the Paris exposition; a teacher of Pitman's shorthand, at which he is an expert; and head of a business college in Norton, Va. As a job compositor he has few equals. He is a man of more than usually interesting personality with a fluent tongue and a ready pen and just the man to figure in a romance. He is sometimes known as "Jiggs," a not unflattering appellation.

What Was in Him.

"Children," said the teacher, instructing the class in composition, "you should not attempt any flights of fancy, but write what is in you."

As a result of this advice, Robbie turned in the following composition:

"We should not attempt any flights of fancy, but write what is in us. In me there is my stomach, lungs, liver, two apples, two cakes and my dinner."

Special Notices

One cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—Fresh milk cow.—LeRoy Helms, Monroe Route 4.

FARMERS, ATTENTION—We are now in position to give you 1500 pounds cotton seed meal for a ton of seed.—Southern Cotton Oil Co.

FOR SALE—Modern 12-room house, fine location. Also several nice building lots.—Mrs. S. B. Bundy.

EXCHANGE FOUR SEED for meal.—Bring your seed to our mill and get 1500 pounds 7% meal for a ton of seed.—Southern Cotton Oil Co.

IF YOU WANT your Laundry done by the Charlotte Steam Laundry, call 174-R.

NOTICE—We are paying the top of the market for cash seed, or will make you an exchange of 1500 pounds of meal for a ton of seed.—Southern Cotton Oil Co.

GREAT REDUCTION at Roughedge—Through the remaining days of January we are offering our entire stock of Dry Goods, consisting of Shoes, Hats, Caps, men's and ladies' Underwear, Overalls, Work Pants, Work Shirts, Dress Shirts, Collars, Ties, Laces and Embroidery, and Ribbons of all shades at greatly reduced prices. We carry a full line of nice groceries at prices that will move them. If you have to go to town to see your lawyer, doctor or banker, that is all right, but if you fail to stop at Roughedge as you return, you will miss some sure thousand dollar bargains. We have two thousand dollars worth of goods with summer time prices cut in half. Our motto is 25 inches to the yard and 16 ounces to the pound. Come let our goods speak for themselves. Mr. P. P. Ross, manager, Roughedge Farmers' Mercantile Co.

W.H. BELK & BRO. DEPARTMENT STORE

SHIRTS and UNDERWEAR Bleaching, Gingham and Calico

Monroe Made Unionsuits 98c.

Now on sale at W.H. Belk & Bro. A Union Suit made of Union County Cotton and financed by UNION COUNTY CAPITAL. Will compare with any Union Suit that has been retailing up to \$2.50. Buy a Suit and Keep our mills running. Now on sale at W. H. Belk & Bro.

The Montly Fashion Books for February 1921 Illustrating Pictorial Review Patterns.

- \$2.00 LADIES UNION SUITS Fine Ribbed and Fleece, now at... \$1.25
MEN'S \$2.00 UNIONSUITS, \$1.00
A limited amount of Men's Velvet Ribbed Union Suits, manufactured in Monroe, N. C., \$1.00
36-inch Linen Finish Genuine Cannon Cloth yard... 25c
Yard Wide Pereaie, Light and Dark, at... 10c
64-inch Table Damask... 68c
25c Quality 36-inch Bleached Sheeting, best quality... 12 1-2c
39- Quality Barkers Mill Bleaching... 29c
Good Calico, Light and Dark... 10c
Best Light and Dark Outing, also Baby Stripes, at... 15c
Splendid Apron Gingham (Domino) full bolts... 10c
Straw Tick... 8 1-2c
Straw Tick... 15c
85c BLUE WORK SHIRTS 48c
Men's Heavy Quality Blue Chambrey Work Shirts at... 48c
85c FLEECE SHIRTS AND DRAWERS 50c EACH
Men's Heavy Fleece Shirts and Drawers, 50c

Famous Men Look Alike.

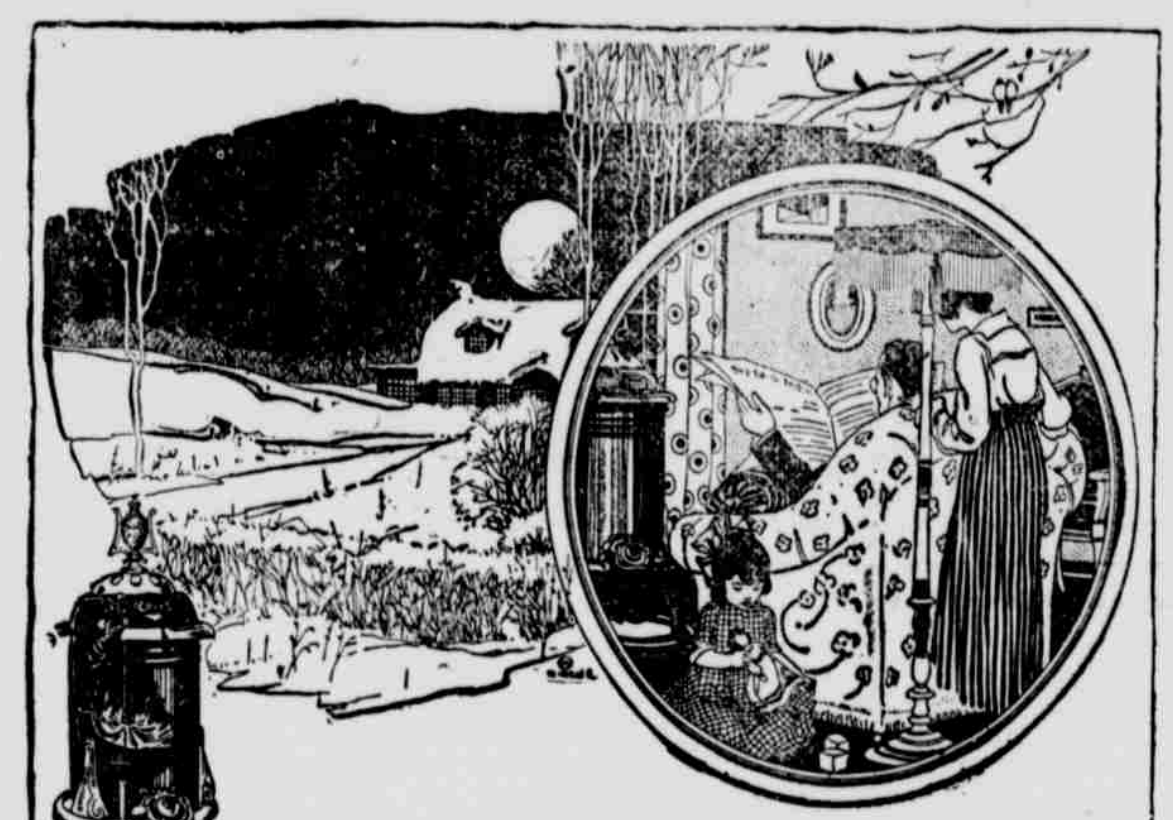
Houghton Mifflin company recently received a request from a distinguished member of the British parliament for an engraving of Hawthorne such as appears as a frontispiece in the standard edition of his works. It was said the correspondent, for a "special purpose." Another letter told the purpose of the picture. It was framed and presented to Lloyd George, who has been writes the M. P. "much impressed by the resemblance as shown by the portrait between Mr. Hawthorne and the prime minister."

Improved by Society.

"Phwat is a chaffing dish?" asked Casey of Callahan. "Chaffing dish, Casey," said Callahan, "is a fryin' pan that's got into society."

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Under and by virtue of a power contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Duke E. Wentz to A. A. Edgeworth to secure a certain note therein mentioned, a default having been made in payment of said note, and demand having been made by the holder of said note, I will, on Monday, the 31st day of January, 1921, at 12 o'clock M., at the courthouse door in Monroe, N. C., offer for sale a two-eighths undivided interest in and to the following described tract of land, which lies in Union county, Vance township, and adjoins the lands of Mrs. Nancy Byrum, A. I. Wentz, T. A. Ritch, and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake, formerly a P. O., Nancy M. Byrum and A. I. Wentz's corner, and runs thence with said Wentz line S 7 E 29 chs., crossing a branch to a stone by a P. O., R. O., and two hickories; thence with division line S 44 3-4 E, 89 poles to a stake by two hickories and two P. O.'s, Lemmond's and Penneger's corner in said James M. Wentz old line; thence with Lemmond's line N 60 3-4 E 57 1-2 poles, crossing Dry Run Branch, to a P. O. stump and pile of stones by three sweet gums and two large dogwoods, T. A. Ritch's corner; thence with his line N. 13 1-2 E 20 chs to a P. O.; thence N. 36 1-2 W 8.72 chs, crossing said Dry Run to a pine stump; thence N 84 1-2 W 1.90 chs to a pine knot by a pine and three P. O.'s, the division corner; thence with the division line, N 83 3-8 W 91 1-4 poles to a stake and pile of stones, Nancy M. Byrum's corner, by a B. J. and 3 P. O.'s; thence with said Byrum line S 77 W 24 poles to the beginning, containing ninety-two acres (92) more or less. The bid of prior sale held Jan 10, 1921, having been raised to \$367.50. It is necessary that bidding start at that amount. Terms of sale—Cash. This January 12, 1921. T. F. LIMERICK, Trustee.



Those Long Winter Evenings keep your home warm and cosy with a COLE'S ORIGINAL HOT BLAST HEATER THE health of your family depends upon properly heated rooms—warm floors. The maximum radiation, low base heat, air tight construction, and Hot Blast Combustion insure even temperature in all parts of the room at all times. And besides, Cole's Original Hot Blast Heater is guaranteed to consume one-third less fuel than any underdraft stove on the market—guaranteed to hold fire for thirty six hours. Let us show you yours today. MONROE HARDWARE COMPANY WHOLESALE AND RETAIL