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The Mysteries of a Pack of Cards.

A private soldier by the name of Richard Lee was taken before a magistrate, recently, for playing cards during divine service. It appears that a sergeant commanded the soldiers at the church, and when the parson had read the prayers, he took the text. Those who had a Bible took it out, but this soldier had neither Bible nor common prayer book, but pulling out a pack of cards, he spread them before him. He just looked at one card and then at another. The sergeant of the company saw him, and said, "Richard, put up the cards; this is no place for them."

"Never mind that," said Richard. When the service was over, the constable took Richard before the mayor.

"Well," says the mayor, "what have you brought the soldier here for?"

"For playing cards in church."

"Well, soldier, what have you to say for yourself?"

"Much sir, I hope."

"Very good. If not, I will punish you more than man was ever punished."

"I have been," said the soldier, "about six weeks on the march. I have neither Bible nor common prayer book. I have nothing but a pack of cards, and I'll satisfy your worship of the purity of my intentions." And, spreading the cards before the mayor, he began with the ace: "When I see the ace, it reminds me there is but one God. When I see the deuce it reminds me of Father and Son. When I see the tray, it reminds me of Father, Son and Holy Ghost. When I see the four spot, it reminds me of the four Evangelists that preached, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. When I meet the five, it reminds me of the five virgins that trimmed their lamps—there were ten, but five were wise and five were foolish and were shut out. When I see the six, it reminds me that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth. When I see the seven, it reminds me that on the seventh day he rested from the great work he had created, and hallowed it. When I see the eight, it reminds me of the eight righteous persons that were saved when God destroyed the world, viz: Noah and his wife, with three sons and their wives. When I see the nine, it reminds me of the nine lepers that were cleansed by our Saviour; there were nine out of ten who never returned thanks. When I see the ten, it reminds me of the ten commandments which God handed down to Moses on tables of stone. When I see the King, it reminds me of the King of Heaven, which is God Almighty. When I see the Queen, it reminds me of the Queen of Sheba, who visited Solomon, for she was as wise a woman as he was a man. She brought with her fifty boys and fifty girls, all dressed in boys' apparel, for King Solomon to tell which were boys and which were girls. King Solomon sent for water for them to wash; the girls washed to the elbows and the boys to the wrists, so King Solomon told by that."

"Well," said the mayor, "you have given a good description of all the cards but one."

"What is that?"

"The knave," said the mayor. "I will give you honor a description of that, too, if you will not be angry."

"I will not," said the mayor, "if you do not term me the knave."

"Well," said the soldier, "the greatest knave that I know of is the constable that brought me here."

"I do not know," said the mayor, "if he is the greatest knave, but I know he is the greatest fool."

"When I count how many spots in a pack of cards, I find three hundred and sixty-five, as many days as there are in a year. When I count the number of cards in a pack, I find there are fifty-two, the number of weeks in a year. and I find four suits, the number of weeks in a month. I find there are twelve picture cards in a pack, representing the number of months in a year, and on counting the tricks, I find thirteen, the number of weeks in a quarter. So you see, sir, a pack of cards serves for a Bible, almanac and common prayer book."

The Star and the State Chronicle

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AN UNPRECEDENTED OFFER—EVERYBODY SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.

The regular subscription price of the State Chronicle for one year is \$2.00, and of THE MORGANTON STAR \$1.00. But we have effected an arrangement by which we can send the Chronicle and THE STAR until the first of January, 1889, for the small sum of \$1.00, cash in advance.

Surely everyone who is desirous of keeping posted in county, State and national politics will take advantage of this exceedingly liberal offer.

The Chronicle is published weekly in the city of Raleigh by Josephus Daniels, State Printer, who keeps thoroughly posted in all the important issues of the day and is headquarters for all matters of news pertaining to the State government.

Send in your name and \$1.00 and get the two papers till the 1st of January, 1889.

A Warning.

The modes of death's approach are various, and statistics show conclusively that more persons die from diseases of the Throat and Lungs than any other. It is probable that everyone, without exception, receives vast numbers of Tubercle Germs into the system and where these germs fall upon suitable soil they start into life and develop, at first slowly and is shown by a slight tickling sensation in the throat and if allowed to continue their ravages they extend to the lungs producing Consumption and to the head, causing Catarrh. Now all this is dangerous and if allowed to proceed will in time cause death. At the onset you must act with promptness; allowing a cold to go without attention is dangerous and may lose you your life. As soon as you feel that something is wrong with your Throat, Lungs or Nostrils, obtain a bottle of Borches's German Syrup. It will give you immediate relief.

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THE FIRST GUN OF THE SEASON!

I desire to inform my customers and the public generally that I am now receiving a large line of

Spring Goods

bought with a view of suiting the tastes and the capacities of all who call on me, consisting of Wash Fabrics, Satines, Gingham, Seersuckers, comprising the latest styles and patterns.

NAINSOOKS.

SHOES IN GREAT VARIETY. Slippers, All Sizes.

In short, I try to keep everything usually kept in a general merchandise stock. I have priced my goods right down at lowest prices for cash or marketable produce.

Call and see me before purchasing; I'll try to save you money.

Very respectfully, R. K. PRESNELL.

March 1, 1888.-tf.

In the Procession.

While my neighbors are offering inducements to the public to buy from them, I desire to state that I am in the procession with a stock of

Well Selected Goods,

bought for cash with a big discount, and I propose to divide this discount with my customers. If I am not mistaken I can save you money.

GIVE ME A TRIAL.

MY STOCK IS COMPLETE.

Respectfully,

J. N. PAYNE,

Depot St., Morganton, N. C.

apl20 tf.

ENGINE AND SAW MILL For Sale.

Any person wishing to buy a Steam Engine and Saw Mill, all in good running order, title clear, can save money by calling at THE STAR office. Payments easy. This offer good for only 30 days from date. May 3, 1888.

Lumber Manufactory.

DESIRE to inform the public that I am now prepared to furnish lumber in the ruff, shingles and lathes on short notice and at reasonable figures. Address me at Morganton, N. C.

JOHN W. GARRISON.

HAVE YOUR

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DONE AT THE

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SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a power in us under a sale made to W. H. Patterson & Bro., we will sell to the highest bidder for cash, on Friday, the 25th day of May, 1888, on the premises in Burke county where W. J. Patterson has the saw mill now in use and where it can be seen, one Erie Engine, 20-horse power, detached; one 25-horse power stationary boiler, with steam and water connection; one Liddell Standard Saw Mill; one 50 inch solid tooth saw; set, 12 in. 4 ply belt; one filler wood pulley; one 12 1/2 Hancock Inspirator, Wrench, &c. This property sold to pay balance of the purchase money. This, April 16, 1888. BREM & McDOWELL.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a mortgage executed by Robt. Powell and wife, on the 25th day of January, 1887, to Brem & McDowell, which mortgage is registered in the office of the Register of Deeds for Burke county, on book N, page 549, we will sell at the Court House door in the town of Morganton to the highest bidder for cash, on Saturday, 25th day of May, 1888, the house and lot in the town of Morganton, near the depot, on Green Street, known as the Eagle Hotel, or now as the Page House. Said property sold to satisfy a certain debt due to Brem & McDowell from Robt. Powell. BREM & McDOWELL. This April 14, 1888. per W. V. BREM, Agent.

Notice.

To All Whom it May Concern:

THIS is to certify that I have this day sold my entire interest in the saw-mill and fixtures which has been operated under the firm name of J. W. Campbell & Co. to M. C. Shuping, who assumes all indebtedness and all amounts due the old firm are to be paid to him. J. W. CAMPBELL.

I will continue the business at the old stand and will be pleased to supply all orders for lumber from our old customers and the public generally. M. C. SHUPING. Morganton, N. C., April 26, 1888.

Advertisement for 'The Original Wins' medicine, featuring an illustration of a man and a bottle. Text describes the medicine's benefits for various ailments like indigestion, liver issues, and general weakness.

Advertisement for 'New Home Sewing Machine', featuring an illustration of a woman operating the machine. Text highlights it as 'The Ladies' Favorite' and 'Never Out of Order'.

Advertisement for 'New Home Sewing Machine' with contact information for various cities including Chicago, Dallas, and San Francisco.

CLEAR THE TRACK!

Advertisement for a horse-drawn carriage, featuring an illustration of the vehicle and a driver. Text promotes it as a 'Gim'e Room!!'.

Gim'e Room!!

I'm on my way to L. A. BRISTOL & SON to get a cart load of their

NEW BARGAIN GOODS.

They have also just received a nice line of Ladies' and Gents' Fine Shoes direct from the factory and can sell them at jobber's prices. They are also headquarters on DRY GOODS. Go and get their prices before you purchase.

JOHN W. GARRISON.

HUNNICUTT'S THROAT AND LUNG CURE

WILL PERMANENTLY CURE COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS, SORE THROAT, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, AND ALL DISEASES OF THE THROAT AND LUNGS.

U. S. Senator Joseph E. Brown, of Georgia, Endorses It.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 11th, 1888.

To the H. R. C. Co., Gentlemen: I have been troubled with Bronchitis, and occasional sore throat, with severe cough, for a number of years past, and I have tried a great many of the most popular remedies known to the public, or the profession, some mitigating the disease more and some less.

I was finally induced to try the preparation known as the "Hunnicutts' Throat and Lung Cure," which I have used frequently of late, and I find it a most excellent medicine.

Indeed I do not hesitate to say that I derived more benefit from it than I have from any of the other preparations. In case of Sore Throat it is especially fine.

When in that condition, I slip about a teaspoonful at a time every hour or so, keeping the throat lubricated with it, with very satisfactory results. It has another excellence in my case—it never produces nausea, but rather acts as a tonic.

Very Truly Yrs., JOSEPH E. BROWN.

Price \$1.00 per bottle. Six bottles \$5.00. Trial size bottles 25 cents each.

HUNNICUTT'S RHEUMATIC CURE.

THE GREATEST BLOOD REMEDY EVER DISCOVERED.

A Tumor is Removed.

JESUP, Ga., February 18, 1888.

Hunnicutts Rheumatic Co., Gentlemen—I have had Rheumatism in its worst form for eight years. About three years ago a tumor formed in my stomach and enlarged the chest or breastbone so that my chin rested on the chest. Have been treated by five physicians and have taken large quantities of medicines without the slightest benefit until I began the use of "Hunnicutts' Rheumatic Cure." I have taken eight bottles of H. R. C. and am entirely free from pain; can walk for the first time in about two years. The tumor is removed.

Yours respectfully, MRS. LAURA ALLEN.

Price \$1.00 per bottle. Six bottles \$5.00. Both of the above celebrated cures are prepared only at Laboratory of

HUNNICUTT RHEUMATIC CURE CO.,

ATLANTA, GA.

And are for sale by all Druggists. Send for book of valuable information and testimonials of well-known citizens.

Gem Piano and Organ Co.

ESTABLISHED 1859.

Beautiful New Up-right Piano, Rosewood Case, for only \$145.00. Send for Descriptive Catalogue.

It will pay you to examine this instrument before paying double our price for one not nearly so good. No Organs or Pianos have met with the popularity of these instruments, as is proven by the WONDERFUL SALES. Our increased facilities for the manufacture of Pianos and Organs enable us to offer instruments of the HIGHEST GRADE at lower prices than is asked for inferior ones.

Write us and we will take pleasure in giving all the information desired free of charge. All our instruments are warranted for SIX YEARS and are sent anywhere on 15 day's test trial.

Regal Gem Organ, Solid Black Walnut Case, for only \$55.00. Send for Illustrated Catalogue. Please mention this paper when you write.

Washington, Warren Co., N. J., U. S. A.

PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.

I believe Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life.—A. H. DOWELL, Editor Enquirer, Edenton, N. C., April 23, 1887.

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Best Cough Syrup. Tastes good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

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High Arm, \$28. Low Arm, \$20.

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FIFTEEN DAYS' TRIAL

IN YOUR OWN HOME BEFORE YOU PAY ONE CENT. Don't pay an agent \$50 or \$80, but send for circular to THE C. A. WOOD CO., 17 North Tenth St., Philadelphia, Pa.

JOHN H. PEARSON & CO.

Having made a change in our business and in the style of our firm, we call the attention of the public to the fact, and of our offer

STAPLE GROCERIES, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

CHEAPER THAN EVER BEFORE, FOR CASH.

We have made one resolution for this new year, which we will keep strictly, and that is to sell goods only for cash. We credit no one, and keep no books. We do this for the reason that we pay the farmers "Spot Cash" for all produce brought to our warehouse, and as we intend to continue to pay cash for produce, we must sell our goods for cash.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED—

- 1 CAR LOAD LENOIR'S ROLLER FLOUR. 10 BOXES C. R. SIDES. 25 BAGS COFFEE. 25 BBL'S SUGAR. 500 LBS. CASSARD'S PURE LARD. 1000 LBS. CASSARD'S HAMS. 1000 LBS. WATAUGA BUCKWHEAT FLOUR. 500 BUSHELS IRISH-GROUND MEAL. CORN, WHEAT, RYE, OATS, & C. 1 CAR LOAD LUMP COAL. 1 CAR LOAD "OLD HICKORY" WAGONS.

We have had such an unusual demand for "Old Hickory Wagons" that we were compelled to buy a car load to supply the demand. We have all sizes now and can supply our customers at any time.

We pay Highest Cash Prices for all Country Produce

and pay cash and do not ask the farmer to "trade it out."

FARMERS, THIS IS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Below we give you a list of some of our specialties, which we control in Burke county and which we fully warrant. We have, year, made arrangements by which you can get any of the following goods from us just as cheap as if you were to order them from factory.

- TENNESSEE WAGONS, McCormick's Reapers and Mowers, BUCKEYE HAY RAKES, GEISER SEPARATORS AND HORSE POWER, EVANS CORN DRILL, RICHMOND STOVE COMPANY COOK STOVE, SYRACUSE HILL-SIDE PLOW, THE BEST IN THE WORLD.

Oliver Chilled Plows and Repairs. The Famous Bob White for \$1.50.

Gilam's Best; or Improved Dix Avery's Double Shovels, and various other goods too numerous to mention. All of the above goods are fully warranted; if not satisfactory, money refunded.

Very respectfully, T. I. GILLAM & CO.

Advertisement for James Means shoes, featuring illustrations of men in various styles of shoes. Text describes the quality and durability of the shoes, mentioning 'The James Means \$4 Shoe' and 'The James Means \$3 Shoe'.

Full lines of the above shoes for sale by Dickson, Tate & Wilson, Sole Agents for Morganton.

ITCH, MANGE, AND SCRATCHES of every kind on human or animal cured in 30 minutes by WOOD'S FORD'S SANITARY LOTION. This never fails. Sold by John Tull, Druggist, Morganton, N. C.