

# THE EVENING FREE PRESS.

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The Daily Reflector is six years old. It is a good local daily and deserves the success it has achieved.

The Raleigh Times says that Georgia has devised a new method of lynching. A mob recently took a negro to a high trestle, put a rope around his neck and told him to jump. The coroner's jury decided unanimously that it was a case of suicide.

Commenting on the sale of 224,561 acres of swamp land by the State board of education at 11 cents an acre, the Wilmington Star says it "ought to be worth more than that as a bull frog ranch." Looks like the timber on it ought to be worth very much more than that.

We think the Greenville Reflector takes too gloomy a view of the tobacco situation, in noting that the tobacco trust has purchased two more plug factories in Winston. We think there is a good chance for independent tobacco factories in all lines. Take cigarettes for instance. The people are standing right up to the Wells-Whitehead company of Wilson. There are scarcely any other cigarettes sold in Kinston except "Carolina Brights," made by this independent factory. And we are told that the same situation exists in other towns. The people will stand by independent factories if the newspapers will only do their duty and remind the people of theirs. We ask The Reflector and our other exchanges to go to talking up, in season and out of season, "Carolina Brights" and other goods made by factories not in the trust. If they will, they can make independent tobacco factories profitable in North Carolina.

The report of the minority members of the ways and means committee on the war tax reduction bill was made public Monday. It is signed by the entire Democratic membership of the committee. The report says the proposed reduction of revenues is too small and that the bill does not go far enough in relieving the people of the burdens imposed upon them for war purposes. The remaining taxes, says the report, are unnecessary and should be removed. The minority take issue with Secretary Gage's estimate of \$26,000,000 surplus in 1902, and say that if congress observes proper economy in expenditures the surplus ought to be \$109,000,000.

"Instead of taking off the sum of forty millions, as is proposed, we would go further and reduce taxation not less than \$70,000,000.

"We would make these reductions on those articles which are most nearly the necessities of life, and would take off the taxes that are most annoying and vexatious to the people. This would in no way cripple or impair the public service. We believe that by a return to proper economy in appropriations a reduction greater than we advocate could be made, and we should at once enforce this economy. The war being over the war taxes should cease and the 'train of extraordinary expenditures' following the war should also terminate.

"We shall not oppose the passage of the bill, for it gives some relief, but will endeavor to properly amend it."

**A Tinker's Dam.**  
There is no profanity in saying that any certain thing "is not worth a tinker's dam," although it is so considered by many. The expression originated many years ago, when tinkering, or mending, leaky vessels was much cruder than it is now.

In former times the use of rosin to check the flow of solder when placed on tin was not generally understood, at least by the roving tinkers. When one of these gentlemen of the road found a job, such as mending a wash boiler or other tin household utensil, he would get from the housewife or domestic a piece of soft dough. With this he would build a dam around the place where he intended to put his solder. Inside of the circle thus formed he poured the melted lead. When the metal had cooled, he would brush away the dam of dough that had confined it to the desired limits. The heat had hardened the heavy paste and baked it thoroughly, so that it was absolutely of no use for anything else. It became one of the most useless things in the world, and there was not enough of it even to be worth while carrying to the pigs.

Hence the expression, which was originally intended to convey a certain idea, appears to have been retained, while the origin is not generally known.

White's Black Liniment. It cures Sciatica, Rheumatism and Neuralgia. A 25c bottle for 15c. J. E. Hoop

## Comparative Longevity.

It has often been remarked that while nothing is so uncertain as the duration of any given human life nothing is more certain than the aggregate of years which may be assigned to a group of 100 persons or more at any particular age. The expectation of life at a given age, to use the actuarial phrase, differs considerably, as might be expected, in different countries, and Englishmen may be surprised to learn that they are not the longest living among the white races.

At the age of 20 an Englishman in average health may expect to live 42 years, and any life office will grant him a policy based on that probability. The American's expectation is for a slightly longer period. On the other hand, a German lad of 20 can count upon little more than 30 years and a half.

It would seem, therefore, that the restlessness attributed to the American temperament does not necessarily conduce to the shortening of life nor the composure of the German to its prolongation. Possibly the better feeding and clothing of Americans in the lower classes of the population are the principal causes of their greater longevity. Their position is, at any rate, maintained in later as well as in earlier years.

The American who has reached 60 may look to complete 14 years more, while the Britisher's expectation is only about 13 years and 10 months and the German's as nearly as possible 12 months less. Both at 20 and at 60 the Frenchman's prospect is a little better than the German's and a little worse than the Englishman's.—London Globe.

## Dwelling For Sale!

I offer for sale the house and lot on the corner of Queen and Lenoir streets, occupied by W. H. Hickson. Lot 100x20. House has 8 rooms, bath room, hot and cold water. Liberal terms. Possession given Jan. 1, 1901.

W. C. FIELDS.

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**Bread and Cakes**  
—AT—  
**Morton's Bakery.**

**Hotel** Near A. & N. C. Depot,  
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Fresh Trout, Mullet and Croaker daily at  
**BOYD'S MARKET.**

Rast Street—near new depot.

**BUY THE GENUINE**  
**SYRUP OF FIGS**  
... MANUFACTURED BY ...  
**CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**  
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## To Whom It May Concern!

**Law in Reference to Weights and Measures.**

All persons using weights and measures, in buying and selling, to be tested once in two years, millers every year.  
The following section shows the prices:  
33 Standard kepers, for adjusting steelyards, 25 cents; every weight of a half pound and upward, 5 cents; every set of weights below half pound, 5 cents; yard stick, 5 cents; bushel, etc., 10 cents; each measure for liquors, 3 cents.  
Cleaning and altering extra.

## Moore & Hooker,

—DEALERS IN—  
**STAPLE & FANCY GROCERIES,**

Fresh Meats,  
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MARKET HOURS: 4 to 12 a. m.; 4 to 9 p. m.  
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**I Will Close Out**  
**My Stock of**  
**Shoes and Hats**  
**AT COST**

to make room for more Groceries.  
Feeding the people is my business—I've been at it for 20 years and still keep up the game.  
Call and get your winter Shoes and Hats at cost before they are all sold.

Respectfully,  
**W. A. LaROQUE,**  
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DENTAL SURGEON,  
KINSTON, N. C.

Office Over Dan Quinerly's store, in the Mosley Building, next to C. W. Pridden & Co.'s store.

**DR. THOS. H. FAULKNER,**  
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**DR. JAMES M. PARROTT,**  
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Calls left at Drug Store will receive prompt attention.

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Our prices favor our customers.

**N. Y. Racket Store,**  
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For HOLIDAY GOODS

A nice line of Ebony Goods with Sterling Silver Mountings. Toilet Sets, Clothes and Hat Brushes, Ebony and Sterling Silver, Toilet and Stationery articles. Quite a variety in this line. See our line of Silverware just opened today. Our prices are the lowest.  
Ladies', Misses' and Baby Bracelets—quite a lot.

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**You Can Get At**  
**SKINNER'S.**

You can get Fried Oysters, you can get Stewed Oysters, and if the above don't suit, you can take them Raw.

I have had 11 years' experience in the oyster business, and I know your wants. Come to see me.

FRIED OYSTERS.....30c  
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To those who appreciate value in a CIGAR we desire to announce the arrival of our four brands of 5c straight Cigars.

The EL CASSIO won fame upon its debut. The EL PORTO, CONCHINILLA and DR. WOODLEY'S SPECIAL are its peers.

And Now  
**Here is Something for the Children**  
during the month of December. We will give to every child under 15 years of age, who makes a cash purchase at our store, a package of CANDY—FREE!

We will accommodate you with stamps and in other ways; also our telephone is for your convenience.

**DR. C. B. WOODLEY & CO.,**  
DRUGGISTS,  
Next Door to The Bank of Kinston.

# BLIND BRAINS..

Are those used by the merchant who tries to sell goods without advertising. He that is wise doth advertise in THE KINSTON FREE PRESS.

B. W. CANADY. H. H. MOSKLEY.

## COLD WEATHER

The cold weather will soon be here, and we will be pleased to have you call at our store and examine a nice line of Driftwood, Elmwood and Wilson's Improved Air-Tight Heaters.

They are neat, durable and economical, both in price and consumption of fuel. We also have a large stock of COOK STOVES, which we are selling very cheap. Come to see us.

**B. W. CANADY & CO.,**  
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## The Weather Just "Nippy" Enough

to remind you that heavier weight Underwear will add to your comfort. The most comfortable and healthy Underwear is

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This is the most popular Underwear made today. My fall stock is larger than ever before and must be disposed of. You can get at the lowest possible price anything in GENTS' CLOTHING, LADIES' SHOES and DRESSES.

.....A Full Line of.....

## Staple Groceries.

Lay in your Xmas supply of Canned Goods from the most complete assortment in Kinston.

**DAN QUINERLY,**  
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Queen Street.

# Some of Our Prices!

We can't quote all our bargains, but if you will come you will say with Queen Sheba of old, "Lo! the half had not been told."

## Cotton Piece Goods.

Calico as low as 3¼c.  
Calico, indigo blue, 4¼c.  
Yard-wide White Homespun, 5c.  
Apron Gingham, 3¼c.  
Canton Flannel, 6c.  
Heavy Brown Drill, 6¼c.  
Checked Homespun, 4¼c.  
25 pieces Table Oil Cloth, all 15c yd.  
Everything in this line cheap.

## CLOTHING.

The only one price clothing store in Kinston. We don't charge one customer \$10 for a suit and sell the next one at \$5 for the same suit. We have them from \$2 to \$15 in Men's, and from 65c up for Boys.  
Children's Pants for 15c.  
Men's Pants for 39c to \$5.  
Men's Heavy Pants for 65c.  
Men's All-wool Vests, 25c.  
A hint to the wise is sufficient. Come and see our Clothing. We will save you money and you take no chances. One price to all, and that the lowest.

## SHOES.

Note these prices:  
Men's Brogans as low as 90c.  
Men's Brogans, whole stock, \$1.  
Men's Oil Grain Creoles, \$1.15.  
Men's Lace or Congress, worth \$1.25, our price, \$1.  
Men's Boots, \$1.40.  
ALL TAN SHOES AT COST.  
Ladies' Shoes from the cheapest to \$3.50.  
Ladies' Sewed Shoes, 59c.  
Ladies' Sewed Shoes, glove grain, 65c.  
Children's Shoes at 15c and up.  
Baby Kid Shoes at 25c.

## Hats and Caps.

We have a large stock of these in Silk, Fedora Derby, Railroad, Crush, Planters—all sorts that will fit the heads and pockets of all.  
Men's Hats from 15c up.  
Boys' Hats from 10c up.

Everything will be sold at the lowest possible margin. No one shall undersell us. It will pay you to give us a trial.

Agents for BUTTERICK'S Patterns.

## Capes and Jackets.

In Ladies' Capes we have them at all prices and styles. Ladies' Velvet Capes that usually sell for \$1.25; our price 89c.  
Children's Cloaks and Jackets at all prices.

## Books and Stationery.

We defy the State in this line. Look at these prices:  
Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, 69c.  
50c Novels, Histories, Etc., 15c.  
Teachers' Bibles, worth \$2.50, for \$1.25c Novels, 5c.  
Fool's Cap Paper, a quire, 5c.  
Legal and Bill Cap, 8c.  
Note Paper, 2c.  
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We can furnish Book Sets, Encyclopedias, Etc., at one-fourth the usual price.

## In Underwear.

We have from the cheapest Merino to Silk fleeced.  
Men's Undershirts at 19c.  
Ladies' Ribbed Heavy Vests, 15c.  
Ladies' Black Hose, 5c.  
Men's Sox, 5c.

A Large Collection of Pictures and Frames at the Lowest Prices.

## Our Penny List.

Any of these go at a cent at our store:  
A box of Blacking, paper of Pins, paper of Needles, box of Tacks, cake of Toilet Soap, a Thimble, 5 Slate Pencils, 2 Slate Sponges, 3 Collar Buttons, 2 Heel Plates, a Gimlet, 1 Spool of Cotton, and a score of other things that you pay 5c for at other stores.

Six-cord Spool Cotton, 3 for 10c.  
Ladies' Corsets from 20c up.  
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 3 for 5c.  
Umbrellas from 39c up.  
Silk Umbrellas, 48c.  
Boys' Knives, 3c. Hand Saws, 10c.  
Padlocks, 5c. Knob Locks, 20c.

**COX & CO.**  
Next Door South of Post Office.