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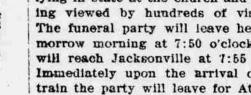
COMMERCIAL BANK. EASTERN WAR CLOUD Upon the conclusion of the sermon of SUBORNATION OF PERJURY. SEA CLAIMS LIVES GORDON, WAR HERO, Dr. Holderby several of the veterans spoke, telling what they remembered Punishment of Rev. B. A. Cherry la Report of the condition of the Com IS GEOWING DARKER GLAMED BY DEATH of General Gordon during the war. Others that had been associatel with of General Gordon during the war. OF FIFTY PERSONS Fixed at Six Years in Pen. mercial Bank of Rutherfordton, at Ruth-Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 9 .- A special TROUBLES um in various ways after peace had to The Banner from Winchester, says erfordton, N. C, at the close of business. that Rev. B. A. Cherry was found Russia Seems to Be Prepar- on November 17th, 1903. Beloved Confederate Chief- come told of incidents of his later life. Steamer Clallan Reported to guilty of subornation of perjury and "I find Thedford's Black-Draught When the meeting was concluded RESOURCES ing For Hostilitics. a good medicine for liver discase. It curred my con after he had spent \$100 with doctors. It is all the med-icine I take."-MRS. CAFOLINE MARTIN, Parkersburg, W. Va. his punishment fixed at three years in tain Passes Away. scarcely a dry eye remained in the Have Gone Down. Loans and discounts, ..... \$37,035 94 the penitentiary. chapel. Some of the veterans were BLACK SEA FLEET TO SAIL. DEATH OCCURRED AT MIAMI, FLA. Cherry was indicted for an attempt so choked with emotion that they WAS DRIFTING HELPLESSLY. Overdrafts ..... 1,595 36 to secure testimony in support of his Russia Is Negotiationg With Turkey Furniture and Fixtures..... 1,000 00 could not express in speaches what If your liver does not act regefforts to collect a policy of insurance Body Will Be Conveyed to Atlanta and they felt for the deceased comman. Disaster Occurred Near Discovery ularly go to your iruggist and secure a package of Thedford's Black-Draught and take a dose tonight. This great family to Permit Fleet to Proceed Through Due from banks and bankers, 19,011 07 on some furniture that was destroy-Will Lie in State at the Capitol-All der in chief. Island, as Steamer Was Last Reported by fire. It was alleged that Cher-Cash on hand ..... 5,718 78 Dardenelles-Consists of Seventy-Due Honers Will Be Accorded Dised in That Vicinity-Help Was Sent ry never had any furniture in the To Hold Memorial Service. Six Vessels. medicine frees the constipated house at the time of the fire and that tinguished Dead. Too Late. New Orleans, Jan. 11.-Commander bowels, stirs up the torpid liver and causes a healthy secretion of bile. he set fire to the premises in order LIABILITIES. Paris, Jan. 7 .- A dispatch to The in Chief William McL. Fayssoux, of Miami, Fla., Jan, 11.-General John Seattle, Wash., Jan. 9 .- The Times to get the insurance. the United Sons of Confederate Vet-B. Gordon died Saturday night. Thedford's Black - Draught will cleanse the bowels of imcorrespondent at Port Townsend says Cherry brought his brother into the is negotiating with Turkey to permit Surplus...... 2,100 00 erans, has issued an address announc-All the members of his family were the Holyoke has returned bringing case under an alias and induced him her Black Sea fleet, said to consist of Undivided profits ...... 1,038 08 ing the death of General Gordon, paypresent when the end came to the ilword that the steamer Ciallam has to make a false affidavit, and it was purities and strengthen the kiding a high tribute to the illustrious 76 ships, to pass through the straits neys. A torpid liver invites colds, biliousness, chills and gone down. Fifty lives are reported for this reason that he was indicted. lustrious soldier of the confederacy. Notes re-discounted - - 5,000 00 commander and recommending that of the Dardenelles. The last moments of General Gorto have been lost. He was a prominent minister in the fever and all manner of sickeach camp hold appropriate memorial Deposits subject to checks.... 45,361 51 don were apparently without pain. Southern Methodist church and was ness and contagion. Weak kid-neys result in Bright's disease Washington, Jan. 8.—United States Due other banks ..... services. A number of members of He passed away as peacefully as if dismissed by the last conference. 494 52 DRIFTING AT SEA'S MERCY. the staff of General Gordon in this Minister Allen at Seoul, Corea, has cahe were sinking into a refreshing The trial of his brother for perjury which claims as many victims Cashier's checks..... 267 40 section and other confederates from bled the state department, under date as consumption. A 25-cent package of Thedford's Black-Draught should always be kept Fears Entertained for the Safety of the is set for next week. slumber. Louisiana, will attend the funeral. of Jan. 7, that the Russian marines The death struggle began at 7 Total ...... \$64,361 15 Steamer Challam. Many of the camps and memorial bodwho were landed at Chemulpo and o'clock. At that hour Drs. Gramling TEST IN FEDERAL COURT. Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 9 .-in the house. ies throughout the state will send flo-I, J. F. Flack, cashier of The Commerwho were refused transportation to and Jackson, the attending physicians, Fears are felt for the safety of the Se-"I used Thedford's Black-Draught for liver and kidney com-plaints and found nothing to excel it "--WILLIAM COFFMAN, Mar-blabad UU ral offerings, the Daughters of the Seoul over the Japanese railway, have cial Bank of Rutherfordton, do solemnly attle-Victoria steamer Clallam, which Constitutionality of Georgia's Tax on Confederacy, Louisiana division, havreached the capital, marching over-Franchise. is reported helpless adrift off Discovswear the above statement is true to the ing already sent on a handsome Atlanta, Jan. 9.- The constitutional- land. ery Island. The Clallam had about best of my knowledge and belief. wreath of galax leaves. 40 pasengers when she left Seattle ity of the franchise tax act of this Brest, France, Jan. 7.-The Russian Thedford's yesterday, but there is no record of state will be given a thorough test J. F. FLACK, Cashier. cruiser Almaz, of 2,385 tons, leaves Body Viewed by Hundreds. here tomorrow for the Far East. in the United States courts, the bill State of N. C., Rutherford County. their names. Miami, Fla., Jan. 11 .- The body of Several tugs have been despatched that involves this point having been Sworn to and subscribed before me General John B. Gordon was removed FUNERAL OF "BABY RUTH." from this port to assist the Clallam, filed yesterday in the circuit court for from the residence of his son-in-law this 26th day of November, 1903. but their efforts will be seriously han- the northern district of Georgia. at Biscayne to Miami this morning, The case sounds in the docket of Held at Family Residence at Prince-G. W. HODGE, N. P. dicapped by the heavy storm prevailaccompanied by a detachment of state the clerk of the United States court ton, N. J. ing Correct-Attest: troops. On arrival here the remains The Clallam was a new vessel and as the Georgia Railroad and Banking Princeton, N. J., Jan. 9 .- The funer-T. E. TWITTY, JOHN C. MILLS, J. H. were placed in the Presbyterian company against William A. Wright, al of Ruth Cleveland, who died yescost \$109,000. church, where it is guarded by comcomptroller general of Georgia, and terday of diphtheria, was held at the WOOD, Directors. pany L, state guards. The body is the questions involved arise out of family residence this morning. Iroquois Searching for Steamer. lying in state at the church and is be-Victoria, B. C., Jan. 9 .- The steam- the franchise tax act passed by the The service, brief and simple, was T. WALDROP & CO. ing viewed by hundreds of visitors. general assembly in 1902 at the fall conducted by the Rev. Maitland Barter iroquois which left to search for The funeral party will leave here to-Rutherfordton the missing, steamer Clallam has re- session. lett, of the First Presbyterian church. morrow morning at 7:50 o'clock, and turned. Captain Sears reports hav- Judge William T. Newman, of the In addition to the family, a few of will reach Jacksonville at 7:55 p.m. HEAVY AND ing cruised along the shores of Smith United States court, ordered that the the closest friends of the family were Immediately upon the arrival of the Statement of the condition of Bank of Island and in that vicinity, through comptroller general show cause before present. The interment in the Prince-

Rutherfordton, as made to the Corpor-GENERAL J. B. GORDON. ation Commission, at close of business

and at Atlanta at 5:20 Wednesday too far away to speak. Captain Sears and allowed a restraining order tem- At the request of her physician, Mrs.

train the party will leave for Atlanta, heavy seas, but saw no sign of the him Jan. 30 why the prayer of the ton cemetery was private and took FANCY GROCERIES, arriving at Macon, Ga., at 3 o'clock. Claflam. One tug was sighted, but complainants should not be granted place immediately after the service.

MILLS-THOMPSON BLOCK.



on November 17th, 1903.	ter of a few hours.	morning.	believes one of the tugs sent from	porarily preventing the state from col-		Sell everything to eat; and everything
RESOURCES.	An examination showed that the	To the Manager of Condan	Port Townsend has picked up the	lecting the taxes in dispute until the	Among the number of mossages of	o feed stock. Buy all classes of Coun- ry Produce, Fruits and Vegetables for
Loans and discounts - 20,516 08	sufferer's kidneys were failing to per-	To the Memory of Gordon. Columbus, O., Jan. 11.—The local	standed sailors.		condolence from friends was one from (	lash, and are exclusive agents, and car-
Overdrafts 1,187 58	form their functions, and that uraemic	representatives of the Blue and Gray		finally.	President Roosevelt.	y in stock, the J.I. Nissen Wagons and
Ratherford county bonds 1,200 00	poison had sat in. From that nour	met this morning and passed resolu-	THE SMOOT AFFAIR.	RUTH CLEVELAND DEAD.	OPERATION WAS FATAL.	he Champion Mowing and Harvesting machinery. Our prices are as low as the
	General Gordon gradually became	tions of respect to the memory of Gen-	Senator From Utah Has Filed His Re-			owest on the class of goods we handle.
Banking house, furniture and	weaker and weaker, until death fixed his seal on the soldier.	eral Gordon.	ply to Charges.	The 15-Year-Old Daughter of Former	Prominent Statesman and Capitalist	The best is the cheapest, especially in the
fixtures 5,000 00	Hundrods of telegrams from friends			President Grover Cleveland.	of Tennonen Dand	way of diets. Give us a trial order.
Other real estate 16 07	and camps of confederate veterans	Pays Gerdon High Tribute.	Washington, Jan. 11.—The response of Senator Smoot, of Utah, to the	Princeton, N. J., Jan. 7Ruth Cleve	Memphis, Jan. 7House L. Brink-	Goods delivered free in any part of the
Cash, and due from banks 10,198 18	expressing sympathy are coming to	Louisville, Jan. 11.—General Ben-	charges made against him was		ley, statesman and capitalist, died	
County and U. S. claims - 541 SI	the family from al l parts of the coun-	nett Y. Young, commanding the Unit- ed Confederate Veterans of Kentucky,	presented to the senate committee on		here today from shock following an	PHONE NO. 13.
	try.	has issued an address to the veterans	privileges and elections by Senator	here today very unexpectedly, the im- mediate cause of death being a weak-	operation for appendicitis.	
Total \$87,859 65	A CONTRACT A CONTRACT OF A CON	paying high tribute to General John	Burrows, chairman of that committee.		Mr. Brinkley came from one of the	A I C
LIABILITIES.	BODY TO LIE IN STATE.	B. Gordon, as man and soldier.	The document was in printed form		most distinguished families in Ten- nessee, his mother being a daughter	A. L. Grayson,
Capital paid in 10,000 00	Due Honors To Be Accorded the La-		and the members of the committee		of the first John Overton, of middle	Books and
Surplus and univided profits 2,986 74	mented Gordon.	Canton Banks Fine Snewing.	did not go through the formality of	said Miss Cleveland had been ill with	Tennessee. He served in both houses	Stationery,
Rediscounts 4,600 00	mented our doin	Canton, Ga., Jan. 11At the elev-	reading it during the session. It was agreed that at the regular meeting	a mild form of diphtheria for four	of the state legislature, and in late	Rutherfordton, N.C.
	which will be participated in by dis-	enth annual meeting of the Bank of	of the committee to be held next Sat-	days, and that the heart affection	years had devoted much of his time	
	tinguished men of the south, will be	Canton on Wednesday last, a very	urday, the attorneys for Mr. Smoot	was not anticipated. She was 15		Newspaper and Magazine agency, full supply of text-books for the public schools
Check deposits 14,406 I6	held over the remains of General John	pleasing statement of the past year's business was made by the officers, and	and for the petitioners should be	years old.	convention to revise the constitution	at contract prices, Testaments and Bi-
Total \$37,359.65	B. Gordon on next Thursday in this	out of the net profits of the business	heard.		of the state of Tennessee. He was	bles in various styles of binding, school
	city. The exercises, which will be of	the usual 8 per cent annual dividend	John G. Carlisle, of New York, for-	TWO TRAINMEN KILLED.	a member of the city council for sev-	and office papers, a full line of deeds and
I, J. W. Dorsey, acting cashier of the	eulogistic character, will be conduct-	was paid the stockholders, and the bal-	merly secretary of the treasury; R.	Fatal Crash of Freights on Baltimore		other legal blanks, blank books, religious and secular books, works of fiction, four-
Bank of Rutherfordton, do solemnly	ed in the house of representatives in	ance passed to surplus, increasing the	W. Taylor, formerly a representative	and Ohio.		tain pens, inks, pencils, writing tablets,
	the state house in this city, and states- men, as well as veteran followers of	surplus to \$28,900. The bank's de-	in congress from Ohio, will appear for	Baltimore, Jan. 9A Baltimore		current literature, works of art. etc.
swear that the above report is true and	the lamented chieftain, will take part	posits now exceed \$100,000. The old	the prosecution, while Mr. Smoot will	and Ohio train crashed into a freight	construction of the Memphis and Lit-	THE ONLY BOOK STORE IN
correct to the best of my knowledge and	It was decided late last night by the	board of directors were elected for the	be represented by Mossrs. A. S. Worthington, of Washington, D. C.;	train at Evitts creek this morning,	tle Rock railway, now a part of the	TOWN.
belief J. W. DORSEY.	Gordon family not to leave Miami with	ensuing year, to-wit: R. T. Jones,	Waldeman Vancott, of Utab, and W.	both engines being derailed and	Choctaw system. He was president	201121
Sworn to before J, F. Flack, N. P.	the body of General Gordon until	Samuel Tate, W. A. Teasley, Sr., Wil-	E. Bosa, of Idaho.	wrecked.	of the Union Pailway company of	In Traited a
Correct-Attest:	Tuesday morning, and the party will	liam Galt, Ben F. Perry, James R.	The attorneys will be heard as to	Fireman B. F. Keavuler and Fire-	Memphis, which skirts the city and	Jane Twitty's
D. F. MORROW, J. C. WALKER, J. F.	not reach Atlanta until the following	Brown, T. M. Brady, B. F. Crisler and N. A. Fowler. The board subsequent-	the merits of the case as alerady pre-	man S. E. Roberts were killed. Engi-	recently sold it to George J. Gould,	Rectaurant
	Wednesday morning. For the great-	ly met and re-elected R. T. Jones pres-	sented. They will be examined to	neer G. B. Humphrey and Fireman J. F. Conrad were injured.	of New York. He was a large hold-	Restaurant.
AEROWOOD.	er part of two days the remains of	ident; Samuel Tate and William A.	show precedents and authorities, and	No. of the second se	er of real estate in West Tennessee.	For five years the undersigned has been
	the dead confederate leader will lie	Teasley, Er., vice presidents, and Wil-	after they shall have made their pre-			feeding the hungry in the basement of the Clark brick building on Main street.
R. S. Eaves. W. F. Rucker.	in state in the marble corridors of the	liam Galt and Ben F. Perry, cash-	sentation the committee will decide			She will be found at the old stand in
Eaves & Rucker,	state capitol, where the men who fol- lowed his flag will pay their last tri-	iers. Colonel Luke E. Tate, who re-	whether to go further in the matter			1904 ready to serve hot meals at all hours
Attorneys & Counsellors at Law,	bulte-the body afterward to be laid	cently moved here from Tate, was	in calling witnesses or dispose of it in the showing which will then have	Sensation in Mobile.	Knoxville, Tenn.	-from 7 in the morning, to 8 in the af- ternoon. Call for what you want, and
	to rest in Oakland cemetery.	elected attorney for the bank.	been made.	Moone, Ala., Jan. 9Ethel Rovelle,		
Rutherfordton, N. C. Careful attention to details of all bus	Linden the encent of Bloudde turners			the alleged heiress to a large sum of	mayor of Knoxville, Tenn., is dead	reasonable. Yours to serve,
iness entrusted to their hands. Practice		Santos-Dumont Negotiating. New York, Jan. 11.—Alberto Santos-	HORROR DROVE HER INSANE.	money left her by an aunt in Colo-	at the Hoffman House from stomach	JANE TWITTY.
in all State and Federal courts Room	s Flagler, which has been placed at the	Dumont, the Brazilian aeronaut, who		rado, is in this city, but she declines to be interviewed by any of the news-	trouble.	-
1 and Mills-Dickerson building, up stairs		has arrived here from France will		paper men.	in the early part of last summer	D. W. Smith. W. C. McRorie.
Phone number 5.	Gordon's body will leave Mimai on	confer today with representatives of		She has engaged two prominent at-	Major McTeer came to this city and	Smith & McRorie,
Comme C Insting	Tuesday morning. At the state line	the Louisiana Purchase exposition re-	Chicago, Jan. 9Miss Harriet Har-	torneys to look after her case and they	put himself under the care of special-	Attorneys at Law,
George C. Justice,	Georgia troops from the Georgia mi- litia will mee the party.		t baugh, a victim of the Iroquois the		ists, and in a short time improved so	
Attorney at Law,	A proclamation was issued this			publication. Her uncle was in this	much that he was able to return home.	Rutherfordton, N. C.
Rutherfordton, N. C.	morning by Governor Terrell order-			city several days ago, but did not see	The illness recurred, however, and	Practice in all State and United States courts. Special attention will be given
Local attorney for Southern Railway	ing that the day of the funeral be ob-		the total dead to 566, according to the		about two months ago he came back to this city in such a serious condi-	to examination and investigation of ti-
Company and Fidelity and Deposit Com pany of Maryland. Room No. 9 in	" second throughout the state mile	work on a large shed for the housing	coroner's list of names. Agnes Hap kins, 45 years old, has been declared		tion that it was considered best to	tles to real estate, the drafting of deeds,
Mills-Dickerson building over Mills' stor	e may over the statenouse was hung at	7" now in Paris The inventor is			operate upon him.	mortgages, wills and other legal instru-
	half-mast today, and flags were low-	confident of negotiating a sneed of 3	(a) A second s second second seco	of more than a month for the fortung		ments, the collection of all kinds of claims whatsoever, the management of
Matt McBrayer. B. A. Justice.	ered on many buildings as a tribute	miles an hour under favorable condi		- believed to have been left by John		estates for guardians, executors and ad-
McBrayer & Justice	of respect.	tions		E. Hughes, an eccentric bachelor, who	ing that his father was on the road to	ministrators, and continuous and pains-
	*** A second s second second seco	Time Allowed for Armstrong.		f died in November, after years spent	recovery, the latter went back to	taking attention will be given to all legal business entrusted to them, Office up
Attorney at Law,	GRIEF OF VETERANS.	Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 11Ralpl	the Iroquois fire horror.	in the Maiden Lane business, the au-		stairs, first left hand over Thompson &
Rutherfordton, N. C.	Gloem Cast Over Inmates of Confed-	Armstrong, the son of the late Honr	Three more suits for a tota 1 of \$30,	- thorities have found in a safety vault	here. A chill contracted a week ago	Watkins' drug store.
Rooms 3, 4 and 5 Mills-Dickerson bric	erate Soldiers' Home.	Clay Armstrong, who was grand see	have been filed.	box bank books showing deposits in	produced complications which proved	D E Manager
block, up stairs. Office 'phone 58.	- Atlanta, Jan. 11The death of Lieu	retary of Alabama Masons, ex-consu	Il A feature of the suits is the making	18 savings banks of more than \$1,500. g Deeds also were recovered showing	fatal. The body will be shipped to Knoxville today.	D. F. Morrow,
Walker MeDewall		to Brazil, and who held many publi	c of Building Commissioner Williams	g Deeds also were recovered showing a that Hughes possessed real estate of	show the county.	Attorney & Counsellor at Law,
Walker McDowell,	over the inmates of the Conferedate	offices, was to have been hanged Fr	- party defendant	considerable value. It is likely the		Rutherfordton, N. C.
Barber.	Soldiers' Home near Atlanta Sunday		1	fortune will revert to the state in the		Practices in State and Federal courts.
Over Carpenter's store, Rutherfordtor				absence of heirs.	bilt, Jr., has offered to give a cup	Careful attention given to all business
N. C. Polite and conrectus treatment Everything clean and tidy. Charge				1	for automobile competition on the road	entrusted to him. Call when in the city whether you have legal business or not.
moderate.	ou the nome was contained in the			n Noted Horseman Dead.	if the American Automobile associa-	Office in rear of Bank of Rutherfordton.
	= morning newspapers.	court.	Congressional Candidate.	Nashville, Tenn., Jan 7-George 1	tion can find a suitable course and	,Phone number 40.
A. J. Whisnant,	The accounts of the illness and death of General Gordon were eagerly		New York, Jan. 11.—Cornelius Van	<sup>1-</sup> Fuller, died last night at the Horm	will promote a race from 200 to 300	Carroll W. Downey,
Resident Dentist.	read. The veterans grouped them	Lontgomore Alo lon 0 Garme	derbilt will probably be chosen th	tage at the age of 69. He was on	miles or thereabouts. Chairman Par-	Carroll w. Downey,

son brick block. 'Phone No. 50.

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Rutherfordton, N. C.

Office up stairs in Thompson-Dicker-

heard the story of the last moments other negro named Bob Nolan. The Warderhilt the condidate

read. The veterans grouped them-selves around the numerous firesides of the home and those whose eyes are good read the newspapers to the Jelks until the 21st. He killed an-

Physician and Surgeon,

Rutherfordton, N. C.

All calls, both by day and by night, tion. Racing conditions for autos were will receive prompt attention. Office revised to include the adoption of the rooms 22 and 23 over Carpenter & Tay-

W. A. Inompson, Physician and Surgeon, Rutherfordton, N. C. Office in drug store in Thompson-Dick- (rso 1 building. Office 'phone No. 81, 1esi ience 'phone 71. Solomon Gallert, Attorney at Law, Rutherfordton, N. C. Office 'Phone Number 49.	During the afternoon the regular Sunday service at the home was prac-	Grounded Steamer Floated. Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—The steam- ship Haverford, which grounded in the Delaware river, a short distance below Newcastle, Del., Sunday, was floated today and proceeded to Liverpool,	tendered. The leaders say their only fear on that point is that the young millionaire may not care to fight Fran- cis Burton Harrison, who is now the Democratic representative of the dis- trict. They roomed together at Yale and are the closest of friends.	Harriman Elected President. New York, Jan. 8.—E. H. Harriman was today elected president of the Union Pacific railroad. Croup. The peculiar cough which indicates croup is usually well known to mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it and for this	French system of classification which will enable racers to compare with greater facility American records with those made abroad. Mercy for Will Jacobs. Ocala, Fla., Jan. 11.—The second trial of Will Jacobs, which was fin- ished here, has resulted in a verdict of guilty in the first degree, with a recommendation to the mercy of the	J. H. Campbell, Photographer, Bartlett Building, Up Stairs, Main St., Rutherfordton, N. C. All work guaranteed to give satisfac- tion. Charges reasonable.
J. L. Geer, Dentist,	where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and hver	burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It is the best salve on earth for piles, too. 25c. at T. B. Tyit- tys' and Thompson & Watkins' Drug-	I have used for indigestion and consti- pation is Chamberlain's Stemach and Liver Tablets," says Melard F. Craig of Middlegrove, N. Y. "They work like a charm and do not gripe or have any	<ul> <li>universal approval than Chamberlain's</li> <li>Cough Rembdy. Do not waste valua-</li> <li>ble time in experementing with untried</li> <li>remedies, no matter how highly they</li> </ul>	For a bad taste in the mouth take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cents. War- ranted to cure. For sale by Dr. T. E. Twitty.	Justice of the Peace, Office up stairs in Mill's building room No. 7. Will give prompt and care- ful attention to all business intrusted to him.