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We have turned over a new leaf. Cannot wait for New Years.

AS TO THAT WALNUT BUSINESS.

We have received a large number of enquiries, in fact a dozen or more about the walnut tree we mentioned some time ago about our having sold and who was the purchaser. It is stated by several that the price received for the walnut tree mentioned by us was \$75.00. Our statement was that the tree was sold for \$30.00, not \$75.00. Some other newspaper changed it into \$75.00, instead of \$30.00, and thus it "got on the rounds of the press," as we little editors sometimes say. The tree was purchased by M. B. Wilkinson & Co., of Asheville, N. C. But, good gracious! There are eight or ten men traveling all over Western North Carolina seeking and searching and begging for walnut timber. The tree for which \$30.00, was paid in cash some time ago still stands on an Island in Catawba river up at Bridgewater. What we wrote about was advice to farmers and land owners to plant walnuts and rear walnut trees. We took occasion to write something on the same line about two years ago. We say now again poor land can be made rich by rearing walnut trees on it. Look under any walnut tree and see if the soil is not rich. As we said, 160 trees can be planted on each acre and the land cultivated with profit and also benefit to the trees. We said that in 20 years trees could thus be grown which would then be worth \$75.00 or even more per tree. We now say furthermore, that of the 160 trees planted on each acre at least 100 of them should arrive at the stage of maturity without interference to the crops and an actual enrichment of the soil; and also, that if the man will study the nature of each tree as it grows he can train them to curl and also probably to produce a burl. We had a walnut curl which was exhibited at the Louisville, Ky., Exposition and also at New Orleans, La., Exposition which could have been sold for \$2,200.00, but finally went to waste from too much and too long exposure after the second Louisville Exposition. A man can learn how to make a walnut tree produce a burl. It is the "curl" in the walnut which makes it valuable. The curl is used for veneering. They are sawed in planks of 16 and 18 to the inch of thickness. Then common poplar is sawed of about 12 to 16 planks to each inch of thickness. These poplar strips are glued together in a thickness of layers as desired for a piano, beadstead etc, but more particularly for sewing machines, but the grain is crossed in each strip. The grain reversed in each layer. This makes the wood thus crossed grained and glued together, harder, firmer, unsubject to split or fracture and prevents contraction or expansion. You take an old worn out sewing machine table and try to chop it up in pieces with maul and wedge, sledge hammer and axe, one and all and see what a job you have. That is, if it is a veneered table. The thin 16th or 18th of an inch in thickness of a walnut curl glued on to ten

pieces of poplar one twelfth of an inch each in thickness glued together in transverse layers makes a one inch board of the finest walnut piano material to be had in the world. The quality, or that is, the cost, increases in proportion to the richness and beauty of the curl in the walnut. Five thousand dollars worth may be sawed out of a burl, only a small sized knot on the side of a walnut tree, which originally cost only six or eight dollars. But it is all in the curl or the burl which makes the walnut more valuable. Thus a walnut tree may be worth any where from ten dollars to one thousand dollars. That is, at the present time. They may be worth and sell for very much more in 20 years from now. Therefore we do you a favor if heeded when we tell you can have a forest or large orchard of walnut trees in 20 years and half of them curly and probably the other half with burls. Plant some walnuts.

A RECTIFICATION OR EXPLANATION.

It has been talked about in town, and probably elsewhere, on account more especially of the presence in Hickory and at our office one day last week of certain prominent gentlemen, that we have sold the PRESS AND CAROLINIAN and our interest in the Hickory Printing Co.

While it may be true that negotiations have been pending and probably may be pending looking to that end we can state most positively that it will take considerable more money to buy the plant than we have been offered. The gentlemen seem to have had an idea acquired through some source that we would give something for nothing. Were we to do this we would and do prefer to do it in a different and our own way. We will sell, yes. And at a price less than what we paid for it, if cash within ten days. But we are not forced to sell; nor is the concern not in the best field in the State, nor because it is not paying. It is simply because we have no desire to be in business any longer. There are three parties desiring to purchase and the first one who accepts our terms spot cash will get the cue and all the guffin.

CLEVELAND OUT OF IT.

From a special dispatch from Washington to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat published last Sunday morning we learn for the first time definitely, and this is from a Republican source, that President Cleveland will not be a candidate for the Democratic nomination again. This settles it. If he is not a candidate there can be no hope of his getting the nomination. The recent elections demonstrated to him no doubt, as they certainly did to other people that if he were to be the nominee of the Democratic party he would that surely be defeated ignominiously. Now then, he has done the sensible thing; and, furthermore, has pulled the bride off and give his Secretaries of the Cabinet to understand that any one of them or any one else who can may secure the nomination without administrative interference.

Under the rule of the eternal fitness of things—if we cannot do anything worse we can make our Republican State Senator Sigmon Governor. Then they would be finely fit in the commonwealth of North Carolina, if this kind of "fitting" is to be done.

President Spencer, of the Southern railway, made a sensible speech in Atlanta. He spoke principally on the attitude of the public towards transportation companies, and he is perfectly correct in all that he said. His speech is too long to publish.

A LITTLE CORRECTION.

We notice, that the following item is going the rounds of the press.

"A meeting called to take place in Hickory to express sympathy for the Cuban Insurgents, failed for lack of attendance."

This is not altogether correct. There was a meeting organized and a gentleman was called upon for some remarks on the subject, and he gave it such an everlasting cold diff by showing that it would injure the Cuban cause and furthermore greatly endanger American commerce by any such procedure as Congress passing an act recognizing their rights as belligerents at this time. Besides said he, Hickory should so far as it is concerned leave this matter entirely in the hands of President Cleveland to deal with and his recommendations to Congress if any are necessary. So the prime movers in the meeting themselves suggested that the resolution lie over and the meeting adjourn without action. This was done. But not because the people here are not in favor of the Cuban people's cause. But we do not wish to be a party to complicating matters. If the President in his message does not make a recommendation to Congress, then Congress can do as it sees proper. The people here have already signed a petition on the subject.

There was an election? Of course there was, and it hurt. The Republicans won in all their own states and captured Maryland and Kentucky. We refrained from mentioning the little incident last week thinking there was some mistake or "dotoring" of the first reports. But it got worse and worse. There are all sorts of reasons given by parties of both sides as to the great anti-Democratic election slide; but none of them can be applied generally. For the reason, in the main, those of the politicians, which apply in one locality or State, do not apply in the others; and in fact are totally at variance. Hence to say that the wholesale slide against the Democratic party, was for any one cause is totally incorrect. The people do not explain their vote to politicians every time and speculation upon their reasons are absurd.

A decidedly interesting industry which we observed in Atlanta when at the Exposition recently, was that of gourd vendors. Gourds are to be found on sale by perapatic vendors at every corner and at the Exposition and even at some of the stores. The gourds are cleaned nicely, scraped, almost white, and are of all sizes and the handles are of all sorts of shape. The more fantastic the crook of the handle the better price the gourd commands. They are bought not alone by people from the North and West but also by people from Southern towns and cities. They range in price from 15 cents to \$1.25. The sale is enormous.

The Sun says, the actual number of ballots printed there for the election was 2,800,000 for candidates and for the canal proposition. In addition to these 1,400,000 sample, ballots—700,000 of each—were printed for use on Tuesday. The cost of this printing, which was done by Martin B. Brown, was \$45,402. He underbid J. J. Little \$588.

Why cannot there be some such soft jobs down this way?

Out in Kentucky the Republicans who did not vote the right ticket are going crazy; and the Democratic dogs, such as "Old Sport" the famous fighter, are dying like sheep with the dry rot since the Republican victory in that Democratic state.

We notice with pride and alas some regret the home of our childhood and our dear mother yet.
The Gate City welcomed with loud trumpet sound
The City called Windy while the crowd throngs around;
While love lavishes laughs and laughs lavish love
The t-ain meet in union and smile as they meet.
As a tar heel we were there—there in a body,
But a shame and a sham and a sham and a shame
They smiled not with us and met us only on the street.
M. E. T.
Now, while our rooster hangs his head
And our little boom falls flat,
We're looking for the man who said;
"I am a Democrat."
—Louisville Times.

If we have a "dearly beloved" in this section, and, like the court knowing itself, we think we have, Mr. Chas. F. McKesson is one among the chief first. We see his announcement as the editor of our other chief dearly beloved newspaper the Morganton Herald, and Mr. T. G. Cobb, Publisher and also editor. There you have them. We are for them. That settles it, so far as we are concerned. Let them look for other conquests.

So it seems that Lieut. Young of the Navy Department who was in Honolulu Hawaii, at the same time with the special Commissioners of Cleveland, "paramount" Blount, wrote a book, with illustrations, which was in conflict in statements with the report of Commissioner Blount and in consequence the President caused it to be suppressed and not published. Nice business.

We understand that our esteemed State Board of Charities will try to do away with the ball and chain which convicts are forced to carry, and substitute a hobble. This will be lovely. They can then hobble away without that adjunct. Those convicts who have gone away with their ball and chain will have to send them back.

Some Items From the Topic.

Mr. G. F. Harper went down to Hickory last Tuesday morning on his bicycle, making the trip in two hours and eight minutes. He came back on the train.

Major G. W. F. Harper and Mr. Gwyne Harper, of Patterson, left this evening for Atlanta. After taking in the Exposition they will go to New Orleans and from there they will go to the City of Mexico. They will be gone two or three weeks.

The last of December, 1832, two young men met at the house of Mrs. Catherine Holt in Orange county, near where the town of Graham now stands. They remained there all night and slept together. The snow was 11 inches deep on the ground the next morning. They separated, and one went into the ministry and went as a missionary to India, where he spent several years. The other returned to his home in Burke county. The other day they met again for the first time in 63 years, and both of them were in good health. Both were 79 years of age. They were Rev. John C. Kadwin, of New Jersey, and our esteemed countyman, Mr. N. A. Powell.

The Abernethys Gave Bond.

The following appeared as a special in the Charlotte Observer of Sunday.

MORGANTON, Nov. 9.—The Abernethy-Gunter trial wound up here last night, as we stated in to-day's Observer. Last night, the Abernethys—Prof. Will, Prof. L. Berge and Prof. Arthur T.—all made up their peace bonds, and were released by the sheriff in whose custody they had been placed by the magistrates. Col. S. McD. Tate on Prof. Will's bond, Sheriff T. M. Webb went on Prof. L. Berge's and Mr. C. M. McDowell went on Prof. Arthur T's. The aforementioned bondsmen all justified for \$1,000. The amount of the bond demanded was considered rather large by many. This disposes of a very sensational case and one that had aroused considerable feeling and comment. The Abernethys all left for their home at Rutherford College last night.

There is quite a colony of Morganton people attending the fair at Atlanta this week. Fifteen tickets were sold at the Southern office here a few days ago, to Atlanta.

Morganton is to have an ice factory. The style of the firm is the Hygeia Ice Company. This is an assured fact. Mr. W. G. Baker, of the Morganton Electric Light and Power Company, is the promoter of the enterprise. Work on the plant will begin at once.

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ATMOSPHERIC DISCOVERIES.

Lord Rayleigh and Prof. Ramsay Receive the Hodgkin Prize of \$10,000.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—Mr. J. R. Roosevelt, Secretary to the United States Embassy, has presented to Lord Rayleigh and Prof. Ramsay the check of the Embassy for \$10,000, being the Hodgkin prize awarded by the Smithsonian Institution of Washington for their discovery of new properties in the atmosphere. The recipients of the prize have written a letter of thanks to the Smithsonian Institution.



GOOD FOR EVERYBODY

and everyone needs it at all times of the year. Malaria is always about, and the only preventive and relief is to keep the Liver active. You must help the Liver a bit, and the best helper is the Old Friend, SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR, the RED Z.
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