

IN SOCIETY

Capt. and Mrs. French E. Chadwick of Newport and Mrs. J. B. Taylor of Atlanta, will be the guests of Mrs. J. M. Heck during this week.

Miss M. S. Colvert was called to Fayetteville yesterday morning by telegram to report a murder trial now in progress there.

Miss R. P. Aiken of Granville, N. C., is visiting Mrs. E. Shilling on Polk street.

Mrs. Stephenson and Miss Mary Jones of Durham are guests at the breakfast.

A subscription dance will be given at the Olivia Raney Library Hall Monday night complimentary to the members of the General Assembly and visitors to the city. Admission will be 17 cents.

Eachre Club Entertained - Yesterday morning Mrs. James Litchford entertained the Eachre Club in a most delightful way at the residence of Mr. Henry Litchford on North Mount street.

Local Talent Benefit - "A Country Girl" will be presented at the Academy of Music next Friday evening for the benefit of the Odd Fellows and the Elks. The proceeds will be used to replace the lodge furniture destroyed in the fire Thursday morning.

THE TRAILERIAN DANCE - The Trailerman German Club of the City of Raleigh gave its January dance Friday evening, 14th inst. The affair was given in the Raney Library building and lasted from eight until eleven o'clock.

AT ROCKY MOUNT - A Delightful Impromptu Dance - The Participants - Rocky Mount, N. C., Jan. 17 - Spent a delightful impromptu dance on Friday evening by the Bohemia Club, although not as largely attended as the Club's regular dances.

DANCE IN WASHINGTON - By Miss Melissa Morton Complimentary to Miss Lamb of Henderson - Washington, N. C., Jan. 17 - Spent Miss Melissa Morton gave a General in the army of the Washington Infantry last night complimentary to Miss Melissa Morgan of Shawboro.

and Miss Margaret Hoyt, Frank Jordan and Miss Mattie Laughinghouse, Rhoda Gallagher and Miss Helen Moore, Charles Smallwood and Miss Emma Hassell, J. R. Conley and Miss Blossom Gallagher, Ed. Clark and Miss Maude Windley, Irving F. Goddard and Miss Hill, James Ellison and Miss Tillie Morton.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES H. ATKINS - A few days ago a young man whom this writer had known from his early youth up, passed away at a very brief illness.

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J. W. BAILEY ON ANTI-SALOON BILL - A Catechism That Brings Out the Character and Purposes of the Bill - Editor J. W. Bailey of the Biblical Recorder has given out an interesting catechism on the anti-saloon bill introduced recently by Senator London and championed by the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League.

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was the ignorance of the officers, not being sufficiently informed themselves, they could not instruct those under their property. No commission should be issued an officer until he is qualified to fill the position it calls for.

The appropriation is not sufficient for the present strength of the guard, to make it what it should be. If it is to remain as at present, would it not be advisable to reduce the force; so there would be more men to improve the smaller force, making it more efficient? We all know to do this, it must have field practice to be useful, also camps of instruction to learn the many duties of a soldier.

Past experience has shown that companies in villages and small towns are not a success, and it would be advisable to confine them to the larger towns and cities. From these you have more material to draw from, better opportunities for drilling, better quarters for the companies, and in cases of emergency it has been demonstrated time and again that companies from the large towns and cities can be on the scene before the country companies could be notified.

One of the most important parts of a soldier's efficiency has been omitted heretofore: that is target practice. This should be one of the requirements to obtain the annual appropriation, and a marksman's medal should be presented by the State to all qualified marksmen. This would create an interest in this branch, and add to the efficiency of it. One of the first requisites of a good soldier is to be a good shot.

The Legislature is now in session, and the military committees from both houses will be looking into the status of the guard, these suggestions are given for their consideration and attention. RETIRED OFFICER.

As to price isn't it reasonable that we as quality specialist, should be able to buy quality and sell quality lower than those stores that merely dabble in quality for the sake of effect. Look into this matter carefully examine our past records, and we are sure that if merit, quality, and exclusiveness is any factor. We will number you as one of our patrons.

White Dress Woolens. The craze for white stuff in all weights is now under full headway. We are prepared to meet all demands from the lightest wool fabric to heavy cloths--all prices ranging per yard from 25c to \$2.00.

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Coronation Suiting. A heavy cotton goods in plain and flake, colors green, white, navy, black, garnet and gray. 28 ins. Per yard 25

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New Spring Goods

The new material for spring 1903 are arriving daily. New dress stuffs, Trimming, Laces, Fancy Articles, Embroideries, etc., are constantly arriving. Dress stuff for early spring and evening wear are at present receiving special attention while all classes of winter goods are being offered at greatly reduced prices.

No matter what weight--dry goods you wish purchasing here will be both profitable and pleasant.

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This is the beginning of a new spring season. Many high class articles can be had now, that will not be shown later. Many popular price dress goods can be had now that later the manufacturers will gobble up. Many imported novelties come early in the season, and are not duplicated.

Black Dress Goods. This department has just lately been replenished and every worthy fabric suitable for costumes separate Skirts and Waist is represented. Light medium or heavy weight in Rough or smooth effects. Prices range per yard from 50c. to \$2.50.

Striped Mohairs. White grounds with blue, red, and black pin stripes are extremely chick. They are pretty for home dresses, for present use, and later on suitable for street wear. 45 inches wide. Per yard \$1.50.

Spring Broad Cloths. Of course cloths are always good--this season the colors are perfect. We are offering the best values obtainable, colors are navy, royal, arony, reseda, myrtle, castor, havauarch, tan, gray, cardinal, garnet and black in three weights 52 inches wide. Per yard \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Skirting. Heavy Melton Skirting, for unlined walking skirts in black, navy, garnet, tan, brown and Oxford mixtures. Three grades, 52 inches wide. Per yard, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Pin Stripe Suiting. For early spring street costumes, Black grounds with pin stripes, also white flake dress goods in green, brown, navy and black, 52 inches wide. Worth \$1.50. Per yard \$1.00.

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New Embroideries. The new line is here ready for your inspection, exceptionally pretty patterns, and low prices. Match sets in Swiss, Nansook, Cambric, also allovers to match.

Cotton Stuffs. The early styles in white and colors, eclipse any showing heretofore. Percales, Cambrics, Piques, Madrasses, Galated, Gingham, etc., are here in endless variety.

Wool Albatros. White, black and evening colors, 38 inches wide, all wool. Per yard 50c.

Brilliantine. This everlasting dress goods has been revived. We are offering a full line of colors. Stripe and dots, also white and black, 40 inches wide at 50c.

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worst form of the liquor traffic--the very worst. This is recognized by all the experts that have studied the drink question. All condemn the saloon as the worst form of liquor dealing. Compare in your mind an orderly dispensary, under all proper restrictions, with a system of saloons such as we have now in many of our towns.

Question (9) What about making wine at home? Answer. Our bill permits the making and selling of only wine and cider made only from grapes, fruit or berries grown only on one's own lands. It does not permit one to buy fruit or berries and make wine or cider.

Question (10) Does the bill forbid shipment of liquors into prohibition territory? Answer. Yes. It makes the place of delivery the place of sale.

Question (11) How will a man get whiskey, etc., if your bill becomes law, and the elections fail to carry for saloons or dispensary? Answer. By prescription of physician and from a druggist.

Question (12) What of the other bills? Answer. Mr. Watts has introduced a bill providing for prohibition of saloons and distilleries everywhere save in incorporated towns.

Question (13) What is the objection to this bill? Answer. It is absolutely ineffectual. It does not prevent saloon men or distillers from having any sort of a place incorporated. Again, it permits freely

the manufacture and sale of wine or cider, both from fruit, etc., grown on one's own land and from fruit grown elsewhere and purchased. To pass this bill will not be compromise. It will be unqualified victory for the saloons and the North Carolina and the National Liquor Dealers' Association. I do not hear that they oppose it. They would openly advocate it, if they dared.

Question (14) What of the justice bill? Answer. It limits the manufacture and sale of liquor to towns of five hundred population or more. This is better than the Watts bill. But it does not give local option save on present unopen terms; nor does it give opportunity to fight the saloons with the dispensary. It falls far short of the demands of the moral forces that recognize the saloon as curse to town as well as country.

Question (15) What are the prospects? Answer. Our battle has yet to be won. Our undertaking is large. We are asking much. It is true that we are asking no more than is right and proper, no more than we ought to ask. But we are asking so much that nothing short of a popular uprising, an overwhelming demonstration of the people, will convince the General Assembly that we are not asking more than they can afford to give.

I want the people to understand this. We are making no compromise fight. We are making a fight for right, and we must make it a matter of conscience. And convince our representatives so. What are the prospects then? By all signs the people are arousing and we shall convince the Assembly that the

hour has struck for the greatest moral advance in North Carolina in a generation. I have found interest strong in the General Assembly and in the press; but it is incomparably stronger amongst the people. I am overwhelmed with correspondence. A groundswell is on. The people will be heard from as they have never been in a North Carolina Assembly. Mass meetings are being planned throughout the State, and they will petition their representatives.

Not in the Contract. "Speaking of the Missouri river and its habits of changing its course," remarked the man in the mackintosh says the Chicago Tribune, "reminds me of a curious thing that happened to me once while I was hunting along that river. I got into my skiff to row to the other side, and you may believe me or not, just as you please, but the blamed old stream out a new channel while I was doing it, and when I got across, I found I was on the same side I had left."

There was silence for a few moments, and then the man in the corduroy suit spoke up: "It seems to me I have heard something like that before," he said, "I don't doubt the story, of course, but I'd like to have it explained a little. If you found yourself on the same side when you landed the river bank must have followed you. Then how can you be as aid to have got across?"

"And if the river bank followed you," said the man with his feet on the table, "it seems plain to me that the other side must have been moving away from you all the time. Of course, I can't

doubt that you rowed across, but I think you ought to explain how it was."

"Gentlemen," said the man in the mackintosh, with some irritation of manner, "if there's any explanation you'll have to think it up. I don't know of any. I am merely telling you the facts."

There was another brief pause, and then some one in the group passed the hat around.

The collection amounted to six cents, one button and one beer check. This was handed in silence to the narrator of the story, and the assembly broke up.

Two little years ago she danced as lightly as a fairy; To float with her around the hall Was sweetest bliss; her movements all Were full of grace and airy.

She dances still, but not with me. Love crowned another's wooing; Oh, it is beautiful to see Her dance her baby on her knee And hear her sweetly cooing. -Chicago Record-Herald.

(Rutherford Sun.) The Morning Post of Raleigh, in a leading editorial last week, declared for Grover Cleveland and Charles E. Aycock as candidates for President and Vice-President in 1904. This would be a fine pair; but we fear it will never come to pass for two reasons, namely: Aycock is a Southerner and Cleveland would not allow his name mentioned as a candidate.