

Seaboard Air Line Earnings.
The following statement for the last half of 1896 has been issued by the Seaboard Air Line: Gross earnings, \$1,853,278; operating expenses, \$1,321,707; income from operation, \$531,571, to which is added income from other sources of \$38,254, making the total income \$569,825. The charges for the period, including interest, taxes and maintaining other organizations, was \$417,049, giving a net income of \$152,776. From this was deducted dividends of the Roanoke and Tar River road and on the preferred stock of the Seaboard and Roanoke road of \$11,122, leaving a surplus for the six months of \$141,654. On the Seaboard and Roanoke division for the same period gross receipts were \$502,779; operating expenses, including taxes, \$320,624; total income, \$182,155. The net charges, including interest, losses, etc., were \$189,393, leaving a net income of \$42,762. Deducting dividend on preferred stock, the surplus was \$33,669.

Don't Mention the Inaugural Ball.
We don't know what the custom is in this matter and we don't care, but we do know there is no reason why the tax payers should pay the expenses of Governor Russell's staff to Washington and return to attend the inauguration of President McKinley. The Treasurer was called on to pay \$300 for this purpose. If the governor's staff wanted to attend the inauguration they should have paid their own expenses.—Charlotte News.

No Gripe
When you take Hood's Pills. The big, old-fashioned, sugar-coated pills, which tear you all to pieces, are not in it with Hood's. Easy to take and easy to operate, is true of Hood's Pills, which are up to date in every respect. Safe, certain and sure. All druggists. 25c. C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills
In pursuance of an order and judgment of the clerk of the Superior court in and for said Wake county, North Carolina, in special proceedings upon a petition for partition of land, entitled Nettie Bridges and husband, W. H. Bridges, Dora Wadman and husband, Henry Wadman, Blanche Freeman and others, ex parte, I will, on Monday, April 6th A. D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock m., sell at the court house door of said county the following described property to the highest bidder at public outcry, viz: Being a lot upon which there is a residence, situated in the city of Raleigh, said county, and bounded and described as follows: By a line beginning at a point on the west side of South Salisbury street 52 1/2 feet north from its intersection with West South street, running thence west 105 feet thence north 52 1/2 feet, thence east 105 feet, thence south 52 1/2 feet to the beginning, being formerly the home place of P. A. Freeman and her husband, S. J. Freeman.

Notice of Sale and Libel.
Circuit Court of the United States, Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. No. 108 Libel—United States against W. J. McDonald. To W. J. McDonald and to all whom he may concern.—Greeting: Notice is hereby given, that the above mentioned property was seized by F. M. Simmons, collector of internal revenue for the 4th collection district of North Carolina, on the 28th day of June, 1896, as forfeited to the use of the United States, for violation of the internal revenue laws, and the same is libeled and prosecuted in the circuit court of the United States for condemnation for the causes in the said libel of information set forth and that the said causes will stand for trial at the court room of said court in the city of Raleigh, on the 4th Monday of May next, if that be the jurisdiction day, and if not, at the next day of jurisdiction thereafter, when and where you and all persons are warned to appear to show cause why condemnation should not be decreed, and judgment accordingly entered herein, and to intervene for their interest.

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Struck Bottom!
We have the agency for
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May be necessary in many ways when dollars are scarce and wants many, but it is not desirable to practice it in the purchase of food, which is life. Below a certain standard food imperiously nourishes; up to that standard it costs a reasonable price. We never want more than a reasonable price for our Groceries.

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Have your eyes tested. No charge for examination.
MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.
By virtue of power conferred by mortgage executed to me, by Lucraty Blake, W. G. Blake and wife M. L. Blake and A. E. Mooneyham, on the 24th January, 1894, which said mortgage is recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Wake county in book 131, page 195, I will sell at 12 o'clock m., at the court house door in the city of Raleigh, at public auction for cash, to the highest bidder on Monday, March 27th, A. D. 1897, the following described tract of land, lying and situated in Wake county, in House's Creek Township, being the land occupied by Lucraty Blake (at the time of the execution of said mortgage), and the same which was conveyed to Mrs. Malinda Howie by Lewis W. Peck administrator of William Peck by deed dated May 2, 1883 (see register's office for Wake county, book 19, page 355) and from W. Thos. Howie to said Lucraty Blake and others by deed dated 21st January, 1890 (see register's office for Wake county, book 53, page 332) which said deeds are made a part hereof, and which said tract of land contains one hundred acres. W. B. Taylor, feb23-dts Mortgagee.

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the present legislature to validate the marriage of A. G. Bauer and Rachel Bauer by legislative enactment. feb1-30d

NOTICE!
Application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina at the session of 1897, to incorporate the Atlantic Development Company. (20-30d)

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Brewing Co.'s
Bock Beer
Now on sale. Our greatest success Superior to Bavarian Beer.
There are others, but you will know
PORTNER'S
by the Delicious Flavor, Heavy Body, Rich, Creamy White Foam.
Call for Portner's.
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Wholesale and retail Commission Dealers in
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Laths, Pine and Cypress Shingles, Frames, Doors, Sash and Blinds, Hard and Soft Wood Mantles, Slate and Marble Mantles, Iron and Wooden Tubs and Tanks, Iron Columns, Beams and Iron Stairs, and all other iron structures. Iron Roofing, Siding and Ceiling, Finials and Galvanized Iron Cornice, Eave Trough, tin and Galvanized Conducting Piping, Heating and Ventilating Apparatus, and all kinds of wood-working machinery.
Office, Room 24 Pullen Building—correspondence solicited. fl11m

Sale of Land.
In pursuance and by authority of an order and decree of the Superior court of Wake county, made the 9th day of February, 1897, in the case of Margaret Wray, et al against, et al, on the 18th of March, 1897, sell on the premises in Middle Creek township in Wake county, for a division, a tract of land being partly in Wake and partly in Harnett county, adjoining the lands of Mrs. John L. Jones and Mrs. Margaret Wray in Harnett county and the lands of Crowder & Rand and Mrs. T. H. Wray and others in Wake county and containing about 88 acres, known as the Wray Mill Place. Terms of sale, one half cash balance in twelve months, with note bearing 6 per cent interest.
J. D. BAILENTINE, Com'r.
Argo & Snow, Attorneys.
Raleigh, Feb. 18, '97.

Notice of Seizure and Libel.
Circuit court of the United States, Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. No. 104 Libel—United States against 9 barrels of corn whiskey, 2 copper stills, caps and worms, 12 fermenters, seized as the property of D. M. Andrews of Person county, N. C. To D. M. Andrews of Person county, N. C., and to all whom it may concern.—Greeting: Notice is hereby given that the above mentioned property was seized by F. M. Simmons, collector of internal revenue for the 4th collection district of North Carolina, on the 22nd day of May, 1896, as forfeited to the use of the United States for violation of the internal revenue laws, and the same is libeled and prosecuted in the circuit court of the United States for condemnation for the causes in the said libel of information set forth; and that the said causes will stand for trial at the court room of said court in the city of Raleigh, on the 4th Monday of May next, if that be the jurisdiction day, and if not, at the next day of jurisdiction thereafter, when and where you and all persons are warned to appear to show cause why condemnation should not be decreed, and judgment accordingly entered herein, and to intervene for their interest.

Notice of Seizure and Libel.
Circuit Court of the United States, Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. No. 107 Libel—United States against 2 casks of whiskey, claimed by W. D. Bright, Durham county, N. C. To W. D. Bright, Durham county, N. C., and to all whom it may concern.—Greeting: Notice is hereby given, that the above mentioned property was seized by F. M. Simmons, collector of internal revenue for the 4th collection district of North Carolina, on the 6th day of May, 1896, as forfeited to the use of the United States, for violation of the internal revenue laws, and the same is libeled and prosecuted in the circuit court of the United States for condemnation for the causes in the said libel of information set forth; and that the said causes will stand for trial at the court room of said court in the city of Raleigh, on the 4th Monday of May next, if that be the jurisdiction day, and if not, at the next day of jurisdiction thereafter, when and where you and all persons are warned to appear to show cause why condemnation should not be decreed, and judgment accordingly entered herein, and to intervene for their interest.

NOTICE.
Having qualified as executor under the will of John W. B. Watson, deceased, this is to notify all persons interested in the estate to make immediate payment to me. All persons having claims against the estate will present the same to me within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar.
ANDREW H. GREEN,
Ex'r of J. W. B. Watson, dec'd.
Feb. 2, '97-30d.

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO
Straw Matting Week, Monday, March 15, to Saturday, March 20.
CHINA---JAPAN.
Your choice in Straw Matting should be made this week from our grand aggregate of new ideas. The patterns are not only new, but exceedingly artistic and handsome—the best, in fact, that could be selected from the importers' offerings for the season. The largest and grandest display of Straw Matting ever exhibited in Raleigh. The prices are very moderate, and we make and lay them free.

China.
PHENIX—A jointless China Matting, extra heavy, reversible, both sides smooth, colors fast. The best China Matting made for wear. This season's price per yd... 35c
CLOVER—A good contract jointless China Matting, very heavy and smooth, lays well on the floor and wears to perfection. This season's price per yard... 25c
H. M.—A contract fancy China Matting that experience has proven will wear well. This season's price per yard... 18c
XX—A fancy China Matting, good and heavy, well worth this season's price per yard... 15c

Japan.
RUBY—A double women Japanese Matting, different patterns on each side. Linen warp; lays just like a carpet. The designs are beautiful and artistic. This matting is something entirely new, never being shown in Raleigh before. It is worth your time alone to see this matting. To introduce this matting we have made the price, made and laid, per yd. 65c
NIPPON—A Japanese Matting Tracking for halls; borders on each side and inverted figures in the center. This is also new to this market and a happy thought for halls, one yard wide and extra heavy. We make the price... 40c

W. H. & R. S. TUCKER & CO.

Cross & Linehan.
Mid-Winter Sale---Clothing Excitement.
It is more than sensational—it is intensely exciting. Never before have you had just such an opportunity at this season of the year, but we are determined to follow our old-time custom of clearing up winter goods and you reap the benefit. Below you will find some of the bargains:
Men and Youth's Suits.
All our \$3.50 and \$4 pants now \$3.00
All our \$4, \$4.50 and \$5 pants now \$4.00
All our \$6, \$6.50 and \$7 pants now \$5.00
Colored Shirts.
Former price 75c, \$1 and \$1.25 now 50c
Former price \$1.25 and \$1.50 now 75c
Mens' Trousers.
All our \$2.50 and \$3 pants now \$2.00
All our \$7.50, \$8 and \$10 pants now \$6.00
The above is only a few of the bargains in store for you, and you will do well to compare prices.

CROSS & LINEHAN'S, 210 Fayetteville Street.
OAK CITY STEAM LAUNDRY
We Find it Easy
To run a laundry that will please our patrons. We are not afraid to tell why it is that we find this business so easy. We run it to suit you. That is only right. You pay the money. All the same there are lots of laundries where you pay the money and get the trouble. Because we take the trouble is why we are growing so.
Page & Marshall, Proprietors.
PHONE 87.

Rubber Stamps of All Kinds
Made to order on 24 hours' notice.
Isaac's Celebrated Glucium Pens
\$1.00 gross, \$10.00 great gross
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Simson's Ointment
CURES
NASAL CATARRH.
A Trial Will Convince You.
SIMPSON'S PHARMACY.

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Chartered by General Assembly 1891.
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Safe Deposit Boxes for Rent on Reasonable Terms.
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SLEEPING COACH
Now for a ride, my baby boy. Your papa's pride, your mama's joy. Your royal carriage, stately, fine. Becomes you well, O baby mine! It is the paragon of art. Perfection alike in every part. In wondrous contrast with the cage. In which I traveled at your age. Whose memory I now abhor! What can excel 'EXCELSIOR'!

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Early Rose & White Star SEED POTATOES.
Ordered direct from Michigan, the best potato country. Be sure to get the best and at low prices of
Jones & Powell.
Coal! Coal! Coal!
Eureka Black Splint is very hard and durable. Jellico Splint, very free burning. Anthracite, Nut, Stove and Egg.
POCAHONTAS STEAM COAL
comes from the celebrated Pocahontas Flat Top "Field" where there are about forty operations or separate mining companies. We have spent some time in this "Field" and then visited the general agents for the Pocahontas Coal in Philadelphia and arranged that only the best coal in this field be shipped to us. All we are receiving, or shall receive, is of this kind. This means the best steam coal in America.
Those who want the best and want to save money in fuel and boiler should burn this coal. Those who have "money to burn" can do so more rapidly by burning other coals. Weight and quality guaranteed by authority of the general agent.

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SALE OF LAND.
North Carolina, Wake county, Superior court, before D. H. Young, Clerk Superior court.
Joel Brown, J. J. Maynard and others, ex parte.
By virtue of authority conferred on us as commissioners of the above entitled special proceedings, we will on Monday, the 22nd day of March, 1897, expose for sale and sell at public outcry on the premises to the highest bidder upon such terms of cash or credit as shall be announced at sale, all that tract or parcel of land in Wake county, North Carolina, in Buck Horse township, bounded on the north by the lands of Talitha Womble, on the east by Peggy Wilson, on the south by line of Thomas Womble, deceased, on the west by Priscilla Womble, containing 190 acres more or less and more fully described in the petition, in said proceedings.
W. W. WOMBLE,
W. J. PEELE, Com'rs.
Peele & Maynard, Attorneys for petitioner.
feb 18--tds.

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next session of the General Assembly of North Carolina for the passage of an act incorporating "The Supreme Ruling of the Fraternal Mystic Circle," a benevolent assessment insurance corporation, and permitting the same to do business in North Carolina.
D. E. STEVENS, S. M. R.
Jan. 4, '97, 30d.
NOTICE.
Dr. A. L. Scruggs, General Secretary and Business Manager of the Pickford Sanitarium, will ask the present Legislature for a charter for the Sanitarium. 18-30d

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IMPORTANT SALE.
Excellent Building Lots Near the New Garfield School.
An admirable opportunity is now afforded to all home seekers and investors to buy lots at a moderate price in the immediate neighborhood of the new school building, to be erected on the site of the Watson Mansion in the southeast corner of the city. These lots are immediately outside of the city, containing all the advantage of town and the freedom from city taxation. They will be sold in suitable sizes, small enough for the average family, or large enough for those who desire more ground. Terms, one-third cash; balance in 6 and 12 months. Arrangements will be made for monthly payments if desired. Title perfect. Sale will take place on the premises on Lenoir street, at the corner of Haywood street, immediately east of the Watson place on Monday, March 8, at 11 o'clock. Sale is made by direction of the owners. Plans will be furnished at the office of F. H. Busbee, Esq., W. T. SMITH, Trustee.
Feb. 24, 1897.
Sale postponed to Monday, March 15th, at 12 o'clock.

SALE OF LAND.
By authority of a mortgage from A. L. Ferrell and wife, recorded in book 112, page 631, records of Register of Deeds office for Wake county, I will on Saturday, 10th April, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., at the court house door of Wake county, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described land in Marks Creek township, Wake county, to-wit: Beginning at a stake, P. H. Mangum's corner, runs south 87 1/2 degrees, west 42.50 chains to a stake and pointers, thence south 34 degrees, west 10.75 chains to a stake, thence south 87 degrees east 10 chains to a stake and pointers, thence south 3 degrees east 15.54 chains to a stake, thence south 87 degrees east 31.72 chains to a stake in P. H. Mangum's line, thence north 4 degrees, east 30.53 chains to the beginning, containing 98 acres. The land described above being lot No. 3 of the Richard Terrell lands allotted to A. L. Ferrell and wife.
W. N. JONES, Att'y.

NOTICE.
Application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina, now in session, for the passage of an act to amend the charter of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company. By order of the company.
Jan 18 30d W. H. DAY, Attorney.

Notice to the Public.
Having this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of Calvin Kelly, deceased, this is to notify all persons indebted to said estate to present their claims for payment to me on or before the 18th day of November, 1897, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please pay without further demand. HEEZELIAH POOL.
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NOTICE!
Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina at the session of 1897, to renew and amend chapter three hundred and fifty (350,) of the laws of 1891, and acts amendatory thereof.
J20 30d