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Last Chance!

Clearance Sale!

On account of bad weather and the death of Mr. I. Kronheimer February 13th the sale will continue until the 15th of March.

The greatest chance you ever had to buy the best Men's and Boys' Suits, Overcoats and separate pants of the reliable and trustworthy kinds at cost is something not any one should miss.

The saving is from 25 to 40 per cent. on the dollar. You have two months yet to wear winter clothes; then, too, remember you will have a suit or overcoat for next winter that did not cost its worth.

Shoes, Hats, Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Dry Goods.

All go on same terms. Cash must be paid to secure the bargains.

Such a stock at such prices has never been offered before. Come soon and select the choicest goods.

I wish to say that we are not rushing off old goods but offer you the stock that is recognized as the very best handled in the town.

A BIG lot of spring soft hats arrived two weeks ago, latest styles, go into the sale; fine ones 95 and one twenty-two, worth \$1.75 and \$2.00.

B. F.

KRONHEIMER.

FEBRUARY PARAGRAPHS.

SHORT-STOPS IN THE LOCAL LINE

Gathered and Condensed for the Eye of the Reader.

—Mr. J. J. Modford is very much elated over the arrival at his home of a 10 pound boy.

—Read notices of two land sales under mortgage and administrator's notice in this issue.

—A bill has passed the Legislature for the reorganization of the Agricultural Department at once.

—Barnes Bros., of Raleigh, were the lowest bidders for the State printing and were awarded the contract.

—The gripe has got the grip on many of our people, and the young ladies do not escape, as Miss Annie Booth has become a victim.

—Take warning and look out for Kronheimer's last chance for bargains that you cannot pick up every day. Read the change in his "ad" in this issue.

—Dr. Kilgo, the great pulpit orator of Durham, will deliver a lecture in the auditorium at the Horner Military School, Friday night, March 10 at 8 o'clock.

—Wiseonsin's women are not bothered much over that Legislative proposition to abolish tight-lacing, but they may breathe more freely when it's decided.

—The Senate of North Dakota has passed a bill providing for a commission of three physicians in each county for the examination of all applicants for marriage license.

—A New York couple left a whist party at their club at 12:30 the other night, hunted up a minister and were made man and wife. Hearts must have been trumps that night.

—Mr. W. J. Hicks, the venerable Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum, did not escape the gripe as he has been tussling with it several days the past week. He is about well now.

—We warmly congratulate our highly esteemed friend, Mr. J. R. Young, of Henderson, upon his election by the Legislature as Insurance Commissioner of the State. A splendid selection as he is certainly qualified for the position.

—Mr. L. J. Steed, the excellent manager of the Orphan Asylum planing mills, Monday while looking after the water in the boiler one of the gauges blew out scalding him rather badly about the body. Glad to note that he is improving fast from the burn.

—A few days ago, Mr. J. A. Shotwell, near Berea, while cutting down a tree a limb broke off and hit him in the forehead knocking him senseless for some hours. He was severely hurt and will take him sometime to recover entirely. He had a narrow escape from being killed. The editor wishes him a rapid recovery.

—"Wesley," said his wife sleepily, as the plaintive wail of the infant broke the stillness of the midnight hour, "Wesley, heed the advice of Kipling."

"What in thunder is that?" he grunted from beneath the coverlet. "Take up the white man's burden."

—Philadelphia North American.

—Congressman Cannon of Illinois said in the House Saturday that if the speeches made Friday by Mr. Simpson and others had been made in Manila the speaker would have been arrested, tried by a drum head court-martial and shot, to which "Sockless" Jerry retorted, "to be shot at Manila is better than to be shot here by an old muzzle-loading brass Cannon."

—Flossie is 6 years old. "Mamma," she asked one day, "if I get married will I have a husband like pa?" "Yes," replied the mother, with a smile.

"And if I don't get married will I have to be an old maid, like Aunt Kate?"

"Yes, Flossie."

"Mamma," she said, after a short pause, "it's a tough world for us women, ain't it?"

—It is natural for every farmer to seek out the best and most reliable brands of Guano to use in the cultivation of tobacco, and is well known that there are none better than the Star Anchor, Bonanza, Little Giant and Acid Phosphate manufactured by the old favorites, Allison & Addison, of Richmond, Va. In this territory the Star and Anchor brands have stood the test of years and stands unequalled today for producing fine bright tobacco and is a favorite among our farmers. This old reliable firm continues to seek your patronage, and we call attention to their advertisement in another column.

—Mrs. Lonnie Smith received the sad news Sunday of the accidental killing of her brother, Johnnie Jones at LaGrange Saturday afternoon. It seems that his brother Otto had a pistol while Johnnie was greasing a buggy, and was trying to get a shell out with a nail. He struck it on the tire of the wheel that his brother was taking off when the shell exploded and the ball struck Johnnie back of the ear and imbedded itself in the head. The little fellow died in a few hours. It was a most unfortunate accident and cast a deep gloom over the family as well as the community. The many friends in Oxford and Granville deeply sympathize with the suddenly bereaved family.

—Sheriff Fleming will be inducted into office Monday.

—Mrs. Holley, who has been suffering with an attack of the gripe, is convalescent.

—Married on the evening of the 25th of February Col. L. C. Edwards and Mrs. Mary Young Cannady.

—The question arises who was it that paid 50 cents for a man to shoot 25 shot through his hat on a wager?

—Sheriff Cozart has no desire to put any body to trouble about their taxes, but insist that they must be paid.

—Mr. John Hunt, who has charge of the farm at the Orphan Asylum, and who has been sick some days is much better.

—Mr. S. H. Smith desires that you read the change in his advertisement on the second page of this paper, so don't forget it.

—We are glad to get out again the venerable Rev. R. I. Devin, who has been confined at home several weeks with the gripe.

—It is a pleasure to us to note the continued improvement of Mrs. C. H. Landis, who is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

—Pugilists are not the only boxers—undertakers are a little in that line themselves. This is not only a gruesome but a true statement.

—They like meat, but it's intimated the averaged dog would not be willing to have a can that held that beef tied to his tail for a gift.

—If you are interested in good roads in Granville write to our representatives at once to vote for the road law now before the legislature.

—Many a girl who marries a man just because she thinks some other girl wanted him wishes that the other had him before the honeymoon wanes.

—Our old friend, W. S. Lyon, we are glad to learn continues to improve from a severe fall he received some weeks ago at his home near Berea.

—Meanwhile it may be said that extensive incendiarism in Manila does not throw any additional light on the solution of the Philippine problem.

—It is all very well to preach about paying the little bills, but if we could get the big ones off of our hands we would be well able to discharge the smaller ones.

—Mr. Lawrence has completed the four new cottages at the Orphan Asylum, and has done his work well. They are handsome buildings and the girls will have nice homes.

—Mr. Zack Lyon is always looking to the interest of the farmers. He has purchased a large number of North Carolina Almanacs and is distributing them free to his farmer friends.

—Durham Sun says: One of the boys at the Oxford Orphanage stuck his tongue to an icy cold axe during cold snap and he was very much surprised to find that it would not come loose. His teacher warmed some water and thawed it.

—The Domino Club has lost none of its interest, and the members are very punctual in attendance upon nightly meetings. Mr. Sam Parker has been made President and Mr. C. J. Cooper, vice-President, while Mr. J. B. Koller has a cinch on the secretaryship.

—There was a banquet at Hotel Carolina Durham Monday evening given to Col. and Mrs. E. J. Parrish by some of their friends. Col. and Mrs. Parrish will leave some time next week for New York, and will go from there to Japan.—Durham Sun.

The Durham Sun has been shining for all the people of Durham and many other places, for 10 years and it is a popular paper, and has accomplished much for progressive Durham during that period. May the Sun shine brighter and brighter with each year is the sincere wish of the PUBLIC LEADER.

—Greensboro Record: An epidemic of crime seems to have hit the town Saturday. A dead child was found in a branch; one negro shot another; a white man was assaulted with a knife by a stranger, who tried to cut his throat; two fights were narrowly averted, one over the dispensary and another over a lawsuit, which is not yet ended.

—Mr. John B. Mayes, our all right Register of Deeds, is now regular at his post of duty, and getting right down to business, and the fees of the office is the game he is looking for if he does have to write for it. In his case now the pen is mightier than the gun and dog, and says he don't care a dog-gone how many deeds the people want recorded. Friend Mayes made a game hunter after votes, a game man, and will make a game, successful officer.

—Capt. A. S. Peace took charge of the post office yesterday and the affable Sid Hunt stepped down and out. The patrons of the office regret to lose him as he has made a very efficient and faithful officer. Messrs. Leak and Sam Peace, two of the intelligent and manly sons of the Captain, will be in charge of the office, and after they are trained by Mr. Sid Hunt, will make competent and polite officials. We truly hope the office will remain where it is as it is the most convenient location in town.

—HORSE FOR SALE—A No one young horse, well broke to double and single harness, gentle and sound. Can be bought at a bargain, by applying to E. W. JONES, at the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

—The old Reliable Durham Fertilizer is on deck this season and is just the guano that puts money in the farmer's pocket as many have tried it and pronounce it the best for tobacco. The company wants to supply all its old patrons and earnestly desire new ones this season as their brand is unequalled for producing bright tobacco. Now is the time to put in your order for what you need. We call your attention to the advertisement in another part of this paper.

—Mrs. E. J. Parrish, who is soon to leave with her husband for Japan, has made Trinity College a present of two beautiful paintings of Jerusalem and two easels. The paintings she gave to go in the parlor of the Duke building and the easels are for the Woman's building. One of the easels is made of Durham county wood and was on exhibition at Raleigh during the exposition in 1884. The gifts are prized very highly by the college and will be kept in remembrance of the good woman who is soon to leave the United States and make her home in a foreign land.—Durham Sun.

—FOR SALE—I will sell on March 15th at Mrs. L. O. Gregory's place at auction 25,000 pounds of oats, besides corn, shucks and fodder. J. T. MORTON, Agent.

—Death of Rev Bennett Smedes. Raleigh Post 23d: This community was painfully stirred this morning by the tidings of the death of this good and distinguished man. He was taken sick less than a week ago, and while a few friends felt solicitous about him, he was reported as improving yesterday, and so all were shocked when the news began to spread through the city that Dr. Smedes was dead. He had lived at St. Mary's, just outside the city limits, since the school was opened here by his sainted father in 1812, with the exception of a very few years, and continually since 1862; so that he was familiarly known and sincerely venerated by the citizens of Raleigh, of all classes. The death of few of any of our citizens could have made such an impression or excited wider sympathy than his.

—Dr. Smedes was the second son of Rev. Albert Smedes, D. D., and Sarah (Lovel) Smedes, and was born in New York city August 7th, 1837, and was therefore but five years old when he came to Raleigh.

—Easter, April 2nd. Easter will be here this year before Spring is hardly started. It comes on April 2nd and is earlier than it has been for the past five years. On last year it fell upon the 10th of April, and in 1886 it came upon the 25th—the latest it ever comes. It will not arrive on the 25th again until 1943. As the date of Easter is fixed by calculating moon and sun, the date of the festival can occur as early as the 23rd of March and as late as the 25th of April. In 1788 it fell upon that date and in 1845 '57, and in 1913 it will be repeated. In 1896 Easter came upon the 29th of March, which proved to be the coldest and most inclement day of the winter.

—I have been afflicted with rheumatism for four years and am glad to give you any relief I was able to bring about all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—JOSH. EDGAR, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. G. Hall, Druggist.

Hampton Hummings.

—Mr. Niek Goss, of Hampton, took in the tobacco market last week.

—Mr. Thomas Clayton is on the sick list this week. Hope him a speedy recovery.

—The public school near Robert's church taught by Mr. Joseph Farrabow closed last Thursday.

—Mr. James Copley was happily married to Miss Alice Copley, of near Jeffers, Va., on the 8th inst.

—Messrs. Pumphrey and James Dary, of near Roxboro, were the guests of Mr. Thomas Clayton on the 22nd of February.

—Little Lonnie, the 5 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Roberts, had the misfortune to break his leg a few days ago.

—We regret to chronicle the severe illness of Mrs. John Forsythe, of near Robert's chapel. We hope her a speedy recovery.

—Mrs. R. L. Tilley, who has been to Baltimore for medical treatment, has returned home in feeble health. May she soon recover.

—The little daughter of Mr. Add Nance, of Durham, was interred in the old family grave yard near Knapp on Reeds on the 17th of February.

—Will say that old Slenth does not contemplate matrimony at present, but like Cindy Jenkins has gone into the shingle and halve business, which accounts for his long absence.

—We regret to learn of the death of Mr. I. Kronheimer as he was a special friend of our. We extend our condolences to his bereaved family in this hour of bereavement.

—OLD SLUTH. 200 barrels "Dan Valley," "Desot," "Oak Ridge," "Elmwood" and "Cedar Cliff" flours brought before the recent advance. We have sold these flours exclusively for past two years. Built up an enormous trade on them. Out of several thousand barrels have never heard a complaint. Our flour trade has grown; so have the people who bought at Crenshaw's. feb. 9.

MOVEMENTS OF PEOPLE.

YOU KNOW SOME, BUT NOT ALL.

They Will Come and Go All the Same.

—Mr. Leak Landis is now living in New York City.

—Mr. Ed. Osborn spent Thursday last in Durham.

—Mr. R. S. Ury is confined to his home with an attack of the gripe.

—Mrs. H. M. Lainer has returned from a visit to relatives at Wilson.

—Commissioner Joe Royster, of Ballock, was on our streets Friday.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gooch, of Stem, were on our streets Tuesday.

—Miss Lulie Biggs, of Raleigh, is on a visit to her grand-mother, Mrs. Lucy Cooper.

—Mrs. Jane Young after a pleasant visit to Oxford returned to Henderson Friday.

—Mrs. C. D. Osborn visited her sister, Mrs. W. B. Mann, in Raleigh this week.

—Capt. Wade H. Britt left Friday to spend two or three weeks in Washington City.

—Mr. Walter Clement, now of Scotland Neck, is on a visit to his parents in Oxford.

—Mr. Will Daniel, of Tar River, visited Oxford Thursday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. Isham Daniel, of Atlanta, was on our street Friday to the pleasure of his old friends.

—Miss Gertrude Beasley, after several weeks' visit to Oxford returned to Durham Thursday.

—Mr. W. A. Gooch, of Stem, was on our streets Thursday and was a welcome visitor at this office.

—Mr. C. D. Osborn, the successful furniture drummer, spent several days in Oxford the past week.

—Mr. R. H. McGuire, of Wilson, was in Oxford Tuesday shaking hands with his old time friends.

—Mr. J. W. Harris, of Wilton, was on our streets a few hours Wednesday and call to see the editor.

—Mr. S. H. Smith after spending a few days in Oxford is off again selling the Victor bicycles.

—The editor was pleased to meet in his office Friday Mr. B. E. Moss and little son, Walter, of Creedmoor.

—Mr. Len Henderson, of Warrenton, was in Oxford Wednesday, and his old friend were glad to meet him.

—Mrs. M. H. Tattle, who suffered with an attack of gripe several days the past week is much better.

—General B. S. Royster is in Raleigh to day looking after the State Guard Bill before the Legislature.

—Mr. J. M. Beck, of Northside, was on our streets Monday, and the editor had the pleasure of meeting him in his office.

—The popular W. D. Currin, now of Winston, spent a few days in Oxford the past week to the great pleasure of his host of friends.

—Mr. Jesse Kelley, of the Agricultural Department, Raleigh, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday, and called to see the editor.

—We welcome back to Oxford Mr. Willie Devin, who has made Greensboro his home for several years. He arrived Saturday and the old folks at home are happy.

—The editor was much pleased to receive visits Tuesday from the following farmers: Messrs. S. F. Coley, Jr., of Lyon; W. B. Cash, of Stem; Sheriff Sam Fleming, of Hester; J. T. Morton, of Satterwhite; W. W. Brummitt, J. M. Hayes, and J. B. Elliott, of Fishing creek; C. J. Adcock, of Berea; W. H. Walker, D. C. Walker, J. D. Cash, and J. L. Coley, of Wilkins.

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Clay Comments.

—Mr. Sim Tippett, who has been on the sick list is out again.

—Mr. J. B. Elliott had the bad luck to lose a nice horse last week.

—Miss Lizzie Pitt is at home again after visiting relatives in another county.

—Mr. Oscar Fuller, of Johnson county, visited his uncle, Mr. J. M. Hayes, the past week.

—Mr. I. J. O'Dear, wife and daughter, of Mt. Enery, visited relatives in this section Sunday.

—Mr. J. M. Hayes has had the misfortune to lose 10 sheep, one cow and had two dogs to run mad in the past few weeks.

—Miss Lulie Tunstall after a pleasant visit to her sister in Raleigh is at home again and some of the boys are quite happy.

—Everybody around here has thawed out, but Father Leopold must still have the winter crook on him as he has been silent for some time. Wonder if he is occupying his time talking love to the pretty lasses of Fishing Creek?

—Topsy.

—We hope that Topsy will not let this be her last letter and write often from Clay.—Ed.

—1,000 barrels good white corn wanted. We pay cash or trade at Crenshaw's. feb. 9.

—Educate Your Horses With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 50c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money. feb. 9.

Death of Good Man.

Mr. E. G. Brummitt died at his home in Fishing Creek township on Feb. 1st, 1899, in the 38th year of his age. He was a warm hearted and beloved brother and feel like we could not give him up, though we believe his soul is basking in the sunlight of God's love. He professed faith in Christ some 8 years ago, and we believe he did as near right as he could. He was married only 1 year and 8 days, and leaves behind a wife and darling little baby girl, an aged mother, five sisters and two brothers to mourn his death. It seems so hard to give up one so near and dear to us, and may Lord help us to believe that we may meet him on the "Beautiful Shore." A. T. P.

Pleasant Points.

Cuttings are very fashionable now in this neck of the woods. Eddie Pleasants is in the house just now with the gripe.

—Mrs. F. O. Royster is getting along very slowly with her broken leg.

—Dogs are dying in every direction with distemper, and some very valuable ones.

—Kitt Bumpass accidentally shot himself in the hand with a pistol a few days ago, but is getting along very well.

—J. C. Vandergrift wears a bright smile on his face on account of the arrival of a 10 pound boy at his home.

—We can boast of one thing, and that is fine teams. The State cannot show better teams than K. W. Masse & Co. They have at this time about 32 head of horses and mules, and the best I ever saw.

—Think the farmers will have to go the shortest way this time, as the bad weather has thrown them back so much. No land plowed, no oats sowed and very little plant land burned, and the land still wet.

—Mr. Billie Bumpass' school closed on Friday last. Miss Lulu Royster's school will be out in a few days. She was at home when the snow fell and Miss Bessie Haskins was with her, and they had to stay nearly 2 weeks. Some of the boys were glad of it.

—The last snow we had was the biggest one for 40 years, and old hares and sweet potatoes had a hard time as a great many rabbits were killed and many people lost their potatoes. Never saw people so anxious to hunt in snow before; think some must have been out of meat.

CHOPPER.

—300 pair women's shoes, ranging in price from \$1 to \$2, at 75 cents to close out at Crenshaw's. feb. 9.

Sunset Siftings.

—Mr. J. F. Puckett is quite happy—its a girl.

—There has been but few plant beds burned as yet owing to the rains.

—Miss Lizzie Daniel, who has been visiting her uncle, W. G. Daniel, at Louisburg, returned home Friday to the delight of the boys of this section.

—Our law makers have been pushing things right through for the last few days, and go home next week to give an account of their stewardship.

—Master Ramon Hobgood, of near Louisburg, is on a visit to his grandparents, Dr. R. W. Hobgood and J. B. Pruitt, and Mrs. Olivia F. Daniel, of Louisburg, is also visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hobgood.

—We want to come to Oxford next Monday to see Sam Fleming take possession of the Sheriff's office, and see white supremacy reign once more in the Granville county Court House and truly hope it will continue for all time to come.

—Well there has been another two weeks rest for the farmers. We were all snowed under for a week and then it was a slob for several days with mud at least 12 inches deep, almost past traveling. The cold was the worst we have had since '99.

—From all appearances the young bachelor from Nash county that put in appearance in Granville some weeks ago is about to take his demit from the bachelor's club and take unto himself a fair maiden of Granville.

—Mr. W. H. Howard, who has been confined to his room for several days with rheumatism, we are glad to say is improving. Also Mr. J. H. Evans, of Satterwhite, who has been confined to his room for 2 or 3 months is convalescing and hope will soon be himself again.

—Let the County Commissioners see that Starvation Bill Royster gets out from over the county jail, as the last grand jury reported things up there in a filthy condition. Run the coon out his den and the stench and filth will cease. He has long been a terrible stench in the nostrils of the true white people of Granville, but they captured the "coon" on the 8th of November. DEMOCRAT.

Ecklen's Arnica Salve.

—THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Cures, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. G. Hall.

—New goods arrive daily. Odds and ends in every department go for a song at Crenshaw's. feb. 9.

ROYAL Baking Powder
Made from pure cream of tartar.
Safeguards the food against alum.
Alum baking powders are the greatest menaces to health of the present day.

Salem Sayings.
Mrs. Wes Hart and Mrs. R. W. Stark are both sick.
Rev. W. S. Hester after a long spell of the gripe is up again.
Mr. J. K. Fowler, one of our old veterans, has had a hard spell of sickness but has about recovered.
Mr. Tom Franklin, the old veteran, and soldier of the cross, is quite sick at his home near Salem.
Uncle Ed. Crews and Aunt Martha are both quite feeble, both they and all the family have the sympathy of a host of friends and relatives.
Your correspondent is sick and has been for more than a week, this is why you did not hear from us last week. As soon as we get well we will try and send the news from Salem.
NICHOLAS.

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Babies and children need proper food, rarely ever medicine. If they do not thrive on their food something is wrong. They need a little help to get their digestive machinery working properly.

SCOTT'S EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL
WITH HYPOPHOSPHITES OF LIME & SODA
will generally correct this difficulty.
If you will put from one-fourth to half a teaspoonful in baby's bottle three or four times a day you will soon see a marked improvement. For larger children, from half to a teaspoonful, according to age, dissolved in their milk, if you so desire, will very soon show its great nourishing power. If the mother's milk does not nourish the baby, she needs the emulsion. It will show an effect at once both upon mother and child.
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