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CLOSE OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

At 12 o'clock Monday night the Nineteenth Century ended and the Twentieth Century, with all its untold possibilities for weal or woe, dawned. The century just closed has been one of wondrous progress, and no where has that progress been more marked than in our own country.

In 1800 the United States had but 5,000,000 inhabitants, now it has 76,000,000. A hundred years ago the inhabitants, a simple, bucolic folk, lived along the Atlantic slope. There were no large cities, no railroads—now there are nearly 250,000 miles—no telegraph or telephone lines. It took almost a month for a letter to go from Maine to Georgia, and the lowest rate of postage was 8 cents for 40 miles or less. The farms furnished the food and the mothers and daughters spun, wove and made the cloth, for which the plants of the forest furnished dye stuffs. But all this is changed. Population is now trending toward the cities and towns. Railroads and telegraphs have made the whole nation one great neighborhood.

The inventions of the century are wonderful and countless. Some of the most beneficent are the use of steam, as a motive power, the telegraph, the telephone, the sewing machine, the cotton gin, the harvesting and threshing machines, the improved printing press, and hundreds of others of greater or less value—in fact the home of even the humblest citizen is made more comfortable by the century's improvements. Every art and science has advanced. Knowledge has become more widely diffused, and ignorance is being driven away.

There is much in the past to reflect on, but the present generation should grasp the possibilities that the new-born century is holding out to them. The future has secrets yet to unfold more strange than any the past has revealed. Co-equal with, and oftentimes preceding, the great material progress of the century has been the spread of the gospel of the Nazarene. The Bible has withstood every attack from without and from within the fold of the Christian church. The Twentieth Century is full of promise to those who believe that the God of the fathers controls and directs the affairs of men and nations and that the Prince of Peace will one day rule in the hearts of all men.

The State has lost two of its foremost legal lights in the deaths of R. O. Burton, Esq., and of Chief Justice Faircloth. The former was comparatively a young man, but he was generally acknowledged to be one of the best furnished and most gifted lawyers in the State. Judge Faircloth was a learned lawyer and of that caste of character that fitted him for judicial duties. Both were men of singular purity of life and character.

There has been much speculation as to whom Governor Russell would appoint as Chief Justice Faircloth's successor. It was hoped that he might promote our townsman, Judge Furches, to the vacancy but the Governor has given it out that he will appoint an eastern man, and the indications now point to Chas. A. Cook, Esq., of Warrenton, as the next Chief Justice.

Birth of the New Year.

Henry Blount in Raleigh Post
When the eyes of Post readers rest upon these lines the old year, 1900, with its raging storms and peaceful calms, its lowering clouds and beaming sunlight, its sorrows and its joys, will have passed into the Eternal By Gone. To some it will be fondly treasured in sweetest memory, for the flowers of hope blossomed beautifully, and sweetened life with the perfume of ripest fruition; to others the fateful weeds of disappointment came and the heart grew sick at their noxious exhalations. Some have roamed amid the tropical flowers of brightest success, where every breeze was threaded with the odors of thrift, and where the warm gulf-waves of prosperity broke in shimmering radiance o'er the heart; others have been exiled to the Siberian wastes of iciest disappointment, and there amid the desolation of despair they have gazed in shivering anguish upon the snow-wrapped skeletons of hopes that perished and dreams that died. And so, the old year has had its sunlight and its shadows, its joys and its sorrows, its smiles and its tears. And while some will feel glad that it is gone, and will hail with gladdest joy the new year that has just been born.

Supreme Court Cost.

Raleigh Correspondent Atlanta Constitution.
Most people have an idea that taking cases to the supreme court is an expensive luxury. This is certainly not the case in North Carolina. The average cost of cases in the supreme court is \$12 for printing and \$7 for clerk's fees. The court here is strictly a court of error now. Not since 1867 has it been a court of final judgment. In former times the clerks of the court had not infrequently to sell lands under judg-

Cost of Education.—The Southern States Advancing—Some Figures

Washington Dispatch, 27th.

The report of the National Bureau of Education contains some interesting statements on public education. Massachusetts, Nevada, California and New York, in the order named, still lead the other States in the amount of money spent per capita for public education. The sparsely settled condition of Nevada makes public schools in that State expensive. Massachusetts is credited with spending \$5.07 per capita, Nevada, \$4.96, and New York \$4.42. South Carolina is credited with \$3.95. However, the growth of public education expenditures in the South has been much greater proportionately than in the North. This is shown by the following comparisons in 20 years:

North Atlantic States.....	\$2.38	\$3.70
South Atlantic States.....	.64	1.27
South Central States.....	.73	1.66
North Central States.....	2.14	3.69
Western States.....	2.45	4.50

In Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, West Virginia, Florida a decrease is shown in the number of public school children between the ages of 5 and 18 to each 1,000 of population, compared with 30 years ago. All of the North Atlantic States show a decrease. In the Southern Central States, with the exception of Kentucky, there are more school children than there were 30 years ago per 1,000 inhabitants.

War Among Gamblers.

New York Dispatch, 24th.

One of the fiercest and bloodiest fights that has taken place in this city in a long time took place in Harlem, early to-day. Four men were shot, one died and another is dying. Two escaped and are wanted, and the police are looking for them. One man is under arrest and the lead man's brother has sworn to kill the prisoner, who is accused of shooting him. The men engaged in the fight are for the most part gamblers. The dead man was George Price, a printer and bartender. The wounded are Edward Courtney, alias "Slats," shot in the abdomen; Thos. Kennedy, alleged proprietor of a pool-room, shot in the leg; Edw. McGinnis, alias Edward McMillen, sporting man, shot in the left arm. Kennedy and McGinnis cannot be found.

The prisoner is Miles McDonnell, 37 years old, of City Island. He is well known as a gambler. He has a record, the police say. The parties were drinking and a quarrel, which started when McDonnell and Kennedy were partners in a recently closed gambling house, was renewed. Kennedy threw McDonnell to the floor. Instantly friends of both men rushed into the fight with drawn revolvers and a fusillade began. Fifty shots were fired. It was like a duel, the crowd separated into couples and fled in short distance. Courtney dropped first. The others then began to separate. Kennedy ran out and McGinnis tried to follow. He was shot in the arm. The police arrived and arrested McDonnell and took Courtney to a hospital.

The Counties Interested.

Raleigh News and Observer.

If the Simonton assessment stands Wake county will lose in taxes about two thousand dollars per year. John Simonton about one thousand, Durham nearly one thousand dollars, and other counties will proportionately lose taxes that are justly due them under the assessment made by the Corporation Commission. This tax, which is just and ought to be paid, means better schools, better roads, better care of the poor, and prevents heavy burdens upon those property owners who have no "pull" on Simonton. If the railroads escape just taxation, what they escape must be paid by others of the schools and roads must suffer.

In the pending litigation to dodge taxation by the three great railroad systems, the counties have a deep interest. If Simonton's assessment prevails, they do not get the tax that justly belongs to them. The State is wisely standing up for the equal and moderate assessment made by the Corporation Commission. In some of the counties the county officers are co-operating with the State to prevent the success of the Simonton assessment. In this they are doing a public service, for they have really more interest in winning the suit than the State for the county officers receive as much of the tax as goes into the State Treasury.

The evidence in Pender and Johnston counties shows beyond cavil that the railroads are wrong in their contention. This evidence had no weak chain in it largely because Mr. John T. Bland, county attorney of Pender, and Mr. John A. Narron, county attorney of Johnston, did their duty to their counties and presented the evidence fully and in a way that clinched the truth of the State's contention. Wherever the county attorney has done his duty the evidence has confounded the tax-dodgers. The county commissioners owe it to those tax-payers who cannot rush to Simonton to have their taxes reduced below what is fair and moderate, to direct their attorney to co-operate with the State's attorneys in securing the evidence to prevent the loss that will follow if Simonton's assessment stands.

A Negro Jew.

Goldsboro Dispatch, 30th.

Goldsboro has had a monstrosity in the shape of a negro Jew, who put in his appearance here yesterday, and as he was fully acquainted with Masonic and Odd Fellows' grips he was taken in charge by colored Masons and Odd Fellows and being of the Jewish faith, he did not fail to have the attention of all Israelites. The surprise to the Jews was that he could write and speak the Hebrew language fluently and that he was fully up in the faith of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. He was from Africa, that part bordering on Abyssinia. In former times this man from Newport News, having deserted his ship there because of the abuse of his captain.

Governor Aycock to be Inaugurated on the 15th.

Raleigh News and Observer, 24th.

Governor Aycock will be inaugurated on January 15th. The preparations for the occasion are rapidly being perfected. Raleigh will do herself proud and no pains will be spared to make it possible and easy for a large crowd to come, and to make them comfortable while they are here.

The inaugural Executive Committee met at the mayor's office yesterday afternoon. Mr. Jos. E. Pogue is chairman of this committee and Mr. John Wilbur Jenkins is secretary. The chief purpose of the meeting was to settle finally the date upon which the inauguration would take place. The laws of 1897 provide that the inauguration of a new governor shall take place on the first Tuesday after the Legislature meets. This will place the date, as stated above, on January 15th.

Mr. N. W. West reported that he had received letters from the Seaboard Air Line Railway, the Atlantic and North Carolina, and the Southern Railway. He expects that they would give special attention to the occasion and give special terms for their success. They asked to be notified of the date of the inauguration as soon as possible. Capt. West was directed to thank them and to give the desired information.

Capt. J. G. Bernard made a report from the Military Committee, stating the amount required for its purposes, and giving particulars regarding the proposed cadet corps. He expects probably 1,000 men to be in line, and he says that with but little effort, the presence of that many may be obtained.

Companies that intend taking part in the celebration should notify the committee on or before Saturday, January 12th. The military feature will be more prominent than in any inauguration that has ever taken place in this State, and will be the most prominent feature of the occasion.

An effort will be made to secure the presence of cadets from the various military schools of the State. The commanding officer has not been chosen yet. The committee on arrangements should also take the weather into account, the inauguration take place from a platform built on the east side of the capitol. If the weather should be unfavorable, the inauguration will take place in the Academy of Music.

On the motion of Mr. Josephus Daniels, Chairman Pogue was instructed to invite the Merchants' Association, and the Labor and Trades Unions of the city to appoint a committee of five each, to be a reception committee; the names to be sent to Mr. J. Wilbur Jenkins, the secretary.

The Adjutant General's Report.

Adjutant General Boyster in his report makes the following statement to get a large appropriation from the National Government and also that the services of an army officer be secured to do special work among the companies of the State and receive an appropriation for an annual encampment of at least ten days, with pay and rations and the organization of two more light artillery detachments, one in the east and one in the west.

A grand summary of the report shows that the strength of the guard, including the Naval Brigade, is 1,905, 60 less than a year ago. During the year three companies of infantry, at Reidsville, Plymouth and Maxton, and two divisions of the Naval Brigade, at Southport and Mount Olive, were disbanded. Though many applications to organize companies were filed, but two were accepted, one at Greenville and one at Maxton, the company at the latter place being reorganized.

There are 22 companies with 1,516 officers and enlisted men; five divisions of the Naval Brigade, strength 225, and one artillery section, strength 23. The first regiment has ten companies, the second has eleven, the third has twelve. They are well distributed and quick mobilization is easy. At least 40 rifles to each company. It will require under the present quota about two years to fully equip the entire force. The government's allotment to North Carolina this year in supplies amounts to \$18,977 and is preliminary, as about \$5,000 more is due. It is desired to issue new rifles.

The State Guard was called on four times during the year to aid the civil authorities.

Little practice is greatly needed. No encampment was held this year, owing to the lack of fund. Much improvement was made in equipment, interest and discipline. An officer of the regular army is needed at headquarters.

Mail Sack Robbed of \$100,000.

Detroit, Mich., Dispatch, 29th.

A mail pouch containing \$100,000 in negotiable paper and an unknown amount of money, was stolen from the Wyandotte, Mich., Michigan Central Railroad passenger station some time last night. The last mail for Wyandotte arrives at 10:28 and owing to the lateness of the hour the mail was not opened until morning. Last night, Operator Richard threw the mail into a pouch at the corner of the waiting room and then went to his home in Detroit.

Today Mail Carrier McClear missed the sack and George Bessey, a driver of an oil wagon, also reported the station that a pouch, ripped open and empty, was behind an oil tank close by. Two employees of the J. B. Ford Alkali Works brought in a number of checks and opened envelopes they had received along the railroad track. Postmaster Johnson, of Wyandotte, immediately investigated. The trail of the thief was marked along the railroad track by straw letters, checks and drafts. Most of the mail was intended for the Ford Company and a force of clerks was sent out to collect the straw letters. J. B. Ford, Jr., said a draft for \$10,000 he expected was missing.

It is estimated that \$175,000,000 was disbursed the first six months of this year by great financial concerns throughout the country in dividends.

TAYLORSVILLE NEWS.

Rev. J. S. Bridges, of Catawba, was here last week.

Congressman Linney returned to Washington last night.

W. C. Feinstad, Esq., of Newton, was here Tuesday afternoon.

School at the Collegiate Institute opened Tuesday, January 1st.

Mr. N. Norton and family moved to Elkin the first of the week.

Miss May Thompson was at Statesville visiting the first of the week.

Mr. Aaron Deal, an aged citizen of Little River township, died Monday.

Mr. Asa Thurston returned Monday to Prof. Hill's school at Statesville.

Mr. W. E. Elliott is moving his store, harness and shoe shop to Elkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O. White, of Avilla, returned to Troutman Monday.

Mr. A. M. Herman and Mrs. C. T. Herman left Tuesday for Ohio and Jinncosota.

Mr. Burcette Moore is home from the west on a visit to his mother near town.

Mr. O. G. Laffer has returned to Hickory where he has a job building a roller flour mill.

C. H. Goodin and family moved yesterday, from W. P. Ingram's to a farm near Hidenette.

Mr. A. J. Blankenship, from near town, visited relatives in Mecklenburg county last week.

Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Elliott, of Turnersburg, Iredell county, were here on a visit last week.

Dr. J. P. Matheson, Jr., of Davidson College, came up last week to spend a few days at home.

Rev. W. J. Tidball was at Newton last Sunday assisting to install Pastor Matthews. He preached the sermon.

Miss Lula Norton came in Tuesday, New Year's day, to visit her sister, Mrs. Ingram, and her father, near town.

The Junior Order A. M. gave an oyster supper last Saturday night to the members and a lot of friends in the Masonic hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Muse, from near Charlotte, moved to this county last week, having bought a farm in Little River township.

Mr. C. K. Gould, of King's Mountain, spent a day or two here Christmas, seeing the place and friends. Mr. Gould lived here some five years ago.

Mr. Cypus Moore sold his interest in the Hobnett livery stable to his partner, Mr. Lester Ingram, and went to Salisbury last week on a visit.

Messrs. Jno. and Isaac Connelly, of Alabama, brothers of Mrs. J. L. Gwaltney, arrived last week to spend a month or two in Alexander county among relatives and friends.

Three Men Killed at Abbeville, S. C. Charleston, S. C. Dispatch, Dec. 30th.

Three men were killed in Abbeville, this State, last night, as the result of a drunken man's spiken and malice. Two of them were the sheriff of the county, and a highly respected Northerner, Wm. Kyle, of Massachusetts, who has been superintending the building of a cotton mill in Abbeville. They were playing cards for money at the hotel, when John Dansby, a notorious gambler and ex-United States marshal, threw \$2 on the table and said, "play for this." This was refused and an altercation ensued. Dansby then drew a .45 caliber revolver and shot Kyle in the abdomen, to the amazement of all present. He then backed out of the room declaring that he would shoot any man who attempted to step him.

Dansby was followed by two policemen, but held them at bay with his pistol until Sheriff Kennedy and a number of citizens arrived. The sheriff called to Dansby to come out of the house of his father-in-law, whether he had fled, and surrender. Dansby came out, closing the door behind him, and with the remark, "Well, we'll all go to hell together," commenced firing. Dansby was shot in the leg and full in the chest, the shot striking once in the left breast near the heart and full as soon as hit. Dansby walked some 50 steps and was reloading his pistol when he was shot again, so that he lay on the ground for some minutes. Kyle lingered until 2 o'clock today.

STATE NEWS.

A fire in Rutherfordton Monday morning destroyed a number of buildings and the entire outfit of the Victrola.

During last week Mr. John Greenwood and his two daughters, of Elkin, became violently insane. The trouble is said to be caused by religious excitement.

A serious cutting affair occurred at Black Mountain Sunday evening, in which Andy Powers was perhaps fatally cut by a man whose name is supposed to be Collier. Collier was not arrested.

Chief Justice Faircloth Dies. Something of His Career.

Goldboro Dispatch, 27th.

Chief Justice William T. Faircloth died suddenly at his home in this city tonight about ten o'clock. He had taken a bath, and the attack came on him just as he had put on his night robe to get ready to go to bed. He had been sitting up on the lounge and his wife said that his condition was critical. The neighbors and his physician were hastily summoned, but he was dead before they arrived. In fact he expired in a moment or two after reaching the lounge. His neighbors came in quickly, applied restoratives and did what they could, but it was too late for human assistance, and it was soon apparent that life was extinct.

There is a deep regret in this community at the sudden death of the Chief Justice. He has lived here many years and long been identified with its professional and business life. He was one of the wealthiest men in the place, a director in the Bank of Wayne, interested in other enterprises, and the owner of five blocks of real estate in the city. He was a consistent and leading member of the Baptist Church, and was a liberal contributor to all its institutions and enterprises.

Judge Faircloth was born in Greene county. He was a graduate of Wake Forest College, of which he was a trustee at the time of his death. He volunteered in the Confederate service and was Quartermaster of the Second North Carolina regiment when Gen. Lee surrendered. After the war he settled at Goldboro, where he always had a large and lucrative practice.

He was a safe and studious lawyer, and had that deliberative and research that befits the judicial officers. His funeral was held from his late residence in George street at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. Carey Newton, his pastor, in the presence of a large number of friends of the family. The remains left the city at 3:30 p. m. via the Atlantic & North Carolina train for La Grange, and were interred in the cemetery there.

From the State Treasurer's Report.

The report of the State Treasurer will show an enormous increase of expenditures in the past 23 years. During five years beginning in 1877 and the average was only \$604,000 annually, while during five years beginning 1891 the average was \$1,400,000, or two and a third times more.

The State debt at present is \$3,507,000 at 4 per cent., and \$720,000 at 6 per cent. Bonds not yet sent in for exchange call for \$218,900 in 4 per cents., but it is hardly probable many of these will ever be sent in.

When the Century Dawned.

The new century dawned away out in the Pacific at 20 minutes before 7 o'clock yesterday morning by New York time.

Thence it travelled across Asia, Europe and the Atlantic Ocean, reaching New York at midnight, after a journey of seventeen hours and twenty minutes. Flying swiftly past New York, the new century reached first Chicago, then St. Louis, then Denver, then San Francisco, passing off into the blue waters of the Pacific at 3 A. M.

Ten-Year-Old Indigestion.

W. H. Peters, Nathanton, Ky., writes, I have suffered untold misery for ten years with indigestion and Biliousness. I was treated by five physicians but obtained only temporary relief. I began to use Ramon's Liver Pills and Tonic Pills and have been constantly improving, and have a fair prospect of being permanently cured. For sale by N. R. Tunstall, Druggist.

The most effective little liver pills made are DeWitt's Little Liver Pills. They never gripe. W. F. Hall, Jr.

DeWitt's Little Liver Pills are said to clean the liver, remove obstructions and invigorate the system. W. F. Hall, Jr.

Rocking the Cradle.

J. DeLaughter, Sparkman, Ark. says: For the past fifteen years I have consulted physicians and used patent medicines, but Ramon's Liver Pills and Tonic Pills cured them all. I could get no relief for constipation, and after using one box I was as sound as a dollar. After telling a number of my good friends, they tried the medicine and were cured. Now we are all rocking the cradle and enjoying our perfect health and life away in my advice to all is never let your house be clear of Ramon's Pills. For sale by N. R. Tunstall, Druggist.

Three Pair Hands
THE DOWN MUSLIN is made of the best cotton cloth which buys the cotton direct from the planter and sells the muslin direct to the retail store.
It is handled only three times.
It escapes the profits of commission men, jobbers and speculators.
That is why it can be sold so cheaply.
It has double wearing value, double comfort, washes better and bleaches whiter than any other goods made.
All pure cotton, thoroughly cleaned and, if needed, hand twisted, closely woven, calendar finished in a soft, combed, downy finish. The name is lightly stamped on each yard. The first washing washes it out.

WILEDOWN MUSLIN
If you desire to see it we will ship direct from the mill in 50 yard lengths of more, or less, than you desire. Write for our catalogue. WILEDOWN MUSLIN CO., Fayetteville, N. C.

Though lost and forgotten for nearly a quarter of a century, an authentic portrait of Chief Justice John Marshall, of the United States Supreme Court, has been discovered. For 20 years the portrait has hung in the home of H. M. Underwood, of Wakefield, Ill.

BAIRD

Without help, a bald spot never grows smaller. It keeps spreading until at last your friends say, "How bald he is getting."

Not easy to cure an old baldness, but easy to stop the first thinning, easy to check the first falling out. Use in time, baldness is made impossible with—

BAIRD'S HAIR VIGOR
It stops falling, promotes growth, and takes out all dandruff. It always restores color to faded or gray hair, all the dark, rich color of early life. You may depend upon it every time. It brings health to the hair.

It is a safe and scientific preparation. It is a safe and scientific preparation. It is a safe and scientific preparation. It is a safe and scientific preparation.

Write the Doctor.
If you desire to see it we will ship direct from the mill in 50 yard lengths of more, or less, than you desire. Write for our catalogue. WILEDOWN MUSLIN CO., Fayetteville, N. C.

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Yes, August Flower still has the largest sale of any medicine in the civilized world. It is a safe and scientific preparation. It is a safe and scientific preparation. It is a safe and scientific preparation.

Notice.
All persons indebted to us by note or open account are urged to come forward and settle at once. We need the money.

Put in Price.

WE WILL make out of \$5.00 on all grade No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Lost Dog—\$5 Reward.

Whoever returns my dog to me will receive \$5.00. The dog is a black and white pointer, about 18 months old, and weighs about 40 lbs. It has a white spot over its left eye (about the size of a baseball). It will give its name and address to the finder. Care J. C. Summers & Co., January 2nd, 1901.

Notice to Creditors.

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF W. F. HALL, DECEASED.
Administratrix of said estate, deceased, Armfield & Turner, Attys.

Sale of Land.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Superior Court of the State of North Carolina, in and for the county of Wayne, do hereby give notice that I, J. B. CONNELLY, Commissioner of said court, will sell at public auction, on Monday, FEBRUARY 4TH, 1901, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described land, to-wit: One tract of land, containing 100 acres, more or less, situated in the county of Wayne, North Carolina, and being the same as is more fully described in the order of sale, and the other tract, containing 100 acres, more or less, situated in the county of Wayne, North Carolina, and being the same as is more fully described in the order of sale. The property is sold for the purpose of satisfying a judgment in favor of J. B. CONNELLY, Commissioner of said court, against the estate of W. F. HALL, deceased. Terms of sale—Cash.

Thanking

My friends, one and all, for their generous patronage during the past year, and asking them

Not to forget

I am, with best wishes for the New Year, Yours Truly,
RICKERT.
The Jeweler and Optician.

A Multitude of SENSIBLE GIFTS.

Nothing is better appreciated as a holiday gift than some article of furniture for the house. It is always in use and always a remembrance of the donor's thoughtfulness. A visit to our store will show a multitude of different articles that are at once appropriate, beautiful, durable and reasonably priced. The expense can be limited to any amount desired.

From One Dollar and Upward

There are pretty Rockers in oak, maple, mahogany and rose, from \$1.00 to \$10.00; fancy tables for hall, sitting room and parlor, from \$1.00 up to \$10.00; a beautiful line of Lounges and Couches, Ladies' Desks, from \$5.50 to \$12.00; combination book cases from \$12.00 to \$30.00.

L. SCHILLER,
New Cooper Block, Furniture and Carpets.

Christmas! Christmas!

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W. H. ALLISON,
VARIETY STORE, STATESVILLE, N. C.

JACKETS AND COATS.

Fifteen to twenty per cent. saved on your Jackets or Coats if bought of us.

DRESS GOODS.

Men's, ladies' and children's Underwear, Hosiery, Woolen and Cotton Blankets, Comforts, Trunks, Bags and a big variety of seasonable goods which we have not space to mention.

John J. Clark's two hundred yard 4 cord, soft finish machine Thread bought by the barrel and sold two spools for 5 cents.

Ramsey, Tomlin & Bowles

We Thank our Friends

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