

GLAD HAND FOR THOMAS.

Tarheel Representative Given an Ovation at the Capitol.

Washington Post, 10th.

Representative Charles R. Thomas, whose marriage during the holidays to Mrs. Mary Ruffin Hill, of Hillsboro, N. C., the daughter of former Justice of the Supreme Court Thomas Ruffin, of North Carolina, was announced in yesterday's Post, is recognized in Congress and by his district as one of the most successful and untiring workers in Congress. He was extremely congratulated yesterday at the Capitol.

Notwithstanding his marriage on the eve of the reassembling of Congress, and hurried trip to Washington to resume his Congressional duties, foregoing the customary wedding trip, Representative Thomas, with his usual zeal and energy in the discharge of all his official duties, has been actively engaged since his return in serving his district. He has recently secured the establishment of about twenty new rural free delivery routes.

"I hope also," said Mr. Thomas, "to take up the Masonic claim bill, which I passed in the Fifty-sixth Congress, making appropriation for the use of the Masonic property in New Bern during the war by the Federal army. I am also urging the immediate erection of the two life-saving stations in my district, which I secured in the Fifty-seventh Congress. I am much interested, with all our delegation, in the Appalachian Park bill and additional appropriations for our public buildings."

Representative Thomas is now serving his second term in the House, and was unanimously re-nominated and re-elected by a large majority for a third term to represent the Third North Carolina district.

A gentleman very prominent in official life in North Carolina, in speaking of him recently, said, in the presence of Gov. Aycock and others: "Mr. Thomas has made the best Representative the Third district has had since the war." His seat was contested in the Fifty-seventh Congress, but in this matter, as in political and professional life, he won out. It is conceded, however, that his greatest victory has been in winning the hand of one of North Carolina's most charming women.

SHOT A "BLIND TIGER."

A Sunday and Unlicensed Liquor Seller Comes to Grief.

An important arrest in the person of Tim Smith, colored, was made Sunday by policeman Lupton. Smith has recently come to the city from Dunn, N. C. and little was known of him. But suspecting that liquor was procured in an illegal way somewhere up town, Mr. Lupton verified his suspicions by detaining a man named Fisher, who bought liquor of the man and furnished the State evidence.

Smith was on trial before Mayor Patterson yesterday on the charge of selling liquor on Sunday. He was put under \$100 bond to appear for trial at the next term of Superior Court for trial of criminal cases. In default of bond he was taken to the County jail.

When the State is done with Smith the government will take him in hand for selling liquor without a license, or operating what is known as a "blind tiger." Surely, Smith's cup of trouble is full.

Dan Hadley and wife, colored, were fined five dollars for disorderly conduct.

Sachet Powders at Davis.

Mallard's and Tenney's Candles at Davis.

COLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

Dr. O. Iuel has been appointed professor of botany in the University of Upland.

The New Jersey state board of education reports that the cost of running the public schools of the state last year exceeded \$3,000,000.

Professor Zephaniah Hopper has been teaching mathematics in the Central High school of Philadelphia for forty-eight years, in some instances to three generations of the same family. He is seventy-eight years old and is not believed to have missed a session of his class in the last two decades.

ROYAL ROBES.

Hongkong is to be presented with the first statue raised in honor of the Prince of Wales.

Kaiser Wilhelm usually spends a few weeks of every year in Norway, his favorite resort being Stahelheim. In consequence of the recent attempt upon his life King Leopold of Belgium has resolved not to ride in his motor car in the future and has ordered it sold.

Meet Me at Duffy's Pharmacy

and get A Hot Chocolate or Bouillon.

Great Reduction in Shirts.

We will sell all \$1.00 stiff bosom colored shirts at 50c which we are showing in our window. We have a good line of them on hand, but they won't last long at this price.

Respectfully, J. J. BAXTER.

HEADACHES

CURED WHILE YOU WAIT BY CAPUDINE TO EFFECT ON THE HEART. Sold at all Druggists.

A THREATENING FIRE

With Loss \$20,000. About One Third Insurance. Hughes Building, Bradham, Baxter, Barting, Early, Gerock Burned Out.

About 7:40 p. m. last night there was a cry of "fire" on Middle street, the fire being located under the roof in the center back part of the Hughes building corner Middle and Pollock streets.

The Fire Department quickly responded to the alarm, but the fire was hard to reach, spreading out between the tile roof and ceiling, and as it apparently had been burning for sometime before being discovered, there was a blaze from under the rear roof before the department reached the scene, there was every indication of a serious conflagration.

Chief Daniels at once ordered out both steam fire engines to assist, and within the hour, the fire was practically under control, confined to the Hughes building, which was a wreck.

At one time Simmons & Hollowell Co's store was seriously threatened, as was other adjacent property, but the firemen got the hose upon surrounding buildings and poured in tons of water from every side, keeping the fire from spreading.

The building was owned by Dr. F. W. Hughes and was valued at \$5,000, upon which there was \$1,500 insurance.

Bradham's Pharmacy had a stock of over \$10,000, with \$5,000 insurance.

Dr. E. F. Early had dental furnishings and stock valued at \$2,000, with \$500 insurance.

Ed Gerock's loss is unknown, as he is out of the city. Estimated loss is \$1,000.

Insurance Co. of Va. N. M. Farrow, Manager, lost its office furniture, Bartling and Baxter, the Jeweler, saved their goods by being carried out.

Simmons & Hollowell Co's goods were damaged to some extent by water, which could not be estimated last night.

The firm carries a stock of \$35,000 with \$14,000 insurance.

The loss is about \$20,000, with insurance outside of Simmons & Hollowell Co's of about \$7,000.

Outside the efficient work of the fire department, there was generous assistance from citizens, also the crew from the Boutwell lent good aid in rescuing property which was threatened.

During the fire the electric lights were turned off, but the full moon gave all necessary light.

The prompt, steady and thorough work of the hose companies, and the fire engines crews, was noteworthy. There was an entire absence of any kind of excitement on the streets during the fire.

Dr. Hughes will rebuild as soon as possible.

Like the fire which damaged this building on Sunday night March 11th, 1900, the origin of last night's is unknown, although it seemed to start in the same place.

MADE HIM UNDERSTAND.

aged Manager Teaches the Smart Young Man a Lesson.

"Absent yesterday," said the aged manager as he adjusted his glasses to the smart young man.

"Yes, sir," replied the clerk.

"Absent from illness?"

"No, sir."

"Oh, you're honest at any rate. Most men would say they were."

"I haven't been absent from illness for nearly a year."

"You haven't?" The old man looked surprised.

"No, sir. It has been with me all the time."

"What has?"

"Illness of some sort."

"But you said that yesterday."

"Yesterday I was absent on account of illness, sir."

The old man thought the matter over for a minute or two, and then he said:

"Yes, yes; I see. You're rather particular in your use of words."

"Yes, sir. Study to use them correctly."

"Of course; and I'm a trifle careless. Now, please see if this sentence is correct: 'Hereafter you will be absent from my displeasure.'"

"Yes, sir."

"You will also be absent on account of my displeasure."

"Yes, sir."

"And because of my displeasure."

"Yes, sir."

"Quite right. I'm glad that I have sufficient command of language to make you understand me. The cashier will pay your wages. Good day."

New York Times.

Evils of Prosperity.

"Hit won't do ter feed some folks too fat," said Brother Dickey. "You see dat mule yonder?"

"Yes," said the other.

"Well, sub, six weeks ago he wuz ez quiet en reasonable ez a funeral procession. Six 'll' niggers could ride 'im at once, an w'en I gin 'im six ears er co'n on a bundle er fodder he looked ez grateful ez a nigger what des outrun a lyncher party. But I turned 'im loose on fed 'im high, en now his heels is higher dan what his head is, en he done kicked me en de mortgage clean off 'im. Hit's my hones' opinion dat ef mules ain't folks dey ain't fur from hit."—Baltimore Sun.

AROUND AND ABOUT.

Mr N M Farrow can be found at 133 Middle street today, where those interested in the Insurance Co. of Va. can find him.

Lee's birthday, next Monday, will be observed in this city by the Daughters of the Confederacy who will hold exercises in the Graded School chapel at 4 p. m.

Nestus, the seven year old son of Mr. W T Cappa, 28 Altmore street, died of pneumonia Sunday morning. The funeral services were held at the family residence yesterday afternoon, Rev T M N George officiating.

From freezing weather on Saturday, to rain and a temperature of 65 degrees on Sunday, with freezing again last night, gave plenty of weather variety, and kept every one busy guessing, whether a straw or fur hat was most seasonable. Continued cold today is the forecast. It was 14 below zero in the northwest yesterday morning.

A number of refined vanderbille artists are with "The Folks Up Willow Creek, and many pleasing and artistic specialties are given during the progress of the play. The Danville, Va., Register says: "Mr. Davidson took the house by storm, and indeed the whole performance was a decided success."

At the Opera House, Thursday night, January 11th.

Elder W. H. Frost, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church preaches his final sermon this evening and leaves tomorrow for Luemas, Wilson county, where he will enter business. Mr. Frost quits the ministry solely on account of his health. He has been pastor of the church for several years and it has prospered and grown under his care. His friends regret to have him leave and wish him success wherever he may be.

While "The Folks Up Willow Creek" is a roaring, rollicking comedy, its humor is clean, harmless, innocent and refreshing, the kind all refined, sensible people enjoy and approve. Ladies may attend confident that there will not be a coarse or questionable spot in the entire performance. The Pittsburg, Pa. Ledger says of Mr. Davidson, "He is one of the rising comedians of the day."

At the Opera House Thursday Jan. 15. Sale of seats at Waters' store Wednesday morning.

Marriage Announcement.

The Journal has received the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Benjamin Eugene Moore to Miss Mattie Belo Williams which will take place in Christ church, Wednesday, January 14th at 6 p. m. No cards in the city.

Death of Geo. L. Wadsworth.

A telegram received here yesterday announced the death at Atlantic City, N. J., of Geo L. Wadsworth, who is well known in this city, having lived here until recently. He leaves a wife and two boys. His remains will be brought here for burial.

The cause of his death was erysipelas. He was 65 years old.

The "Ear of Dionysius."

A curiously constructed prison cavern, consisting of a large chamber connected with one of smaller dimensions, situated near Syracuse, Italy, has gone into local history with the title of the "Ear of Dionysius." The smaller chamber was known to the prisoners kept in this underground dungeon, and the tyrant by whose name it is known had a habit of secreting himself there to listen to the conversation of the convicts, who were mostly political offenders.

An ingenious device constructed at the smaller end of the larger chamber transmitted the sounds through the partition, thus enabling the suspicious ruler to hear even the whispered conversations of his "suspects."

Something to Shoot.

The other day a solitary sportsman, his gun under his arm, was wandering down a country lane in Inverness-shire when he met a small boy making for the school.

"I say, my boy," he remarked, "is there anything to shoot down here?"

The boy looked around for a moment and then answered with eagerness:

"Aye, there's a skulstainer comin' ower the hill!"—London Answers.

The Giraffe.

The children had written compositions on the giraffe. They were reading them aloud to the class. At last the time came for little Willie to read his. It was as follows: "The giraffe is a dumb animal and cannot express itself by any sound because its neck is so long its voice gets tired on its way to its mouth."

Little Latitude.

"I suppose a man has to be pretty careful in order to hold his job," said the talkative passenger.

"Yes," assented the conductor sadly.

"If I knock a fare down, the company kicks, and if I knock a passenger down he reports me."—New York Times.

Artistic Improvement.

Hicks—That picture of D'Auber's that you bought at the exhibition looks better in your study than it did there somehow.

Wicks—Yes. I have hung it the other side up.—Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

The higher a man's character the less he need concern himself about his reputation.—New York Press.

THE VALUE OF EXPERT TREATMENT.

Everyone who is afflicted with a chronic disease experiences great difficulty in having their case intelligently treated by the average physician. These diseases can only be cured by a specialist who understands them thoroughly. Dr. J. Newton Hathaway of Atlanta, Ga. is acknowledged the most skillful and successful specialist in the United States. Write him for his expert opinion of your case, for which he makes no charge.

WHAT'S IN AN AD?

The Bee Hive Will Say Its The Best of Business Getters.

Any doubter in the efficacy of advertising would have received a decided jar if they had been in the Bee Hive store between the hours of 11 and 12 yesterday morning. Nothing could have demonstrated the power of an ad so well as did this crowd.

The Bee Hive announced a special sale in the Journal Saturday and Sunday morning stating a reduction of five cents a yard on a certain class of goods if the prospective purchaser showed the ad.

The idea took like wild fire and ladies crowded into the store to take advantage of the offer. It required the services of several additional clerks to attend to the wants of purchasers and the desk files were piled high with Journal ads.

The moral of this little episode sticks out in great big bumps; what it is the Journal leaves its readers to guess.

EMBRACED AND STOLE.

A Colored Woman Makes Use of A New Graft.

Lucy Mitchell and Alice Martin, colored women, were arrested for pocket picking on clever and modern principles. They were on Middle street near the dock Friday night and the Mitchell woman being of an affectionate disposition threw her arms around a countryman and went through his pockets. She took his pocket book and gold watch and handed them to her accomplice who speedily hid them.

They were arrested shortly thereafter and taken before the Mayor yesterday morning. They had admirable nerve, insisting that they did not know anything about the affair but when threatened with imprisonment they confessed and told where the stolen property was. The things were recovered, only seven dollars having been taken from the purse.

Being unable to give bond the women were taken to jail to await trial at Criminal Court.

PEDDLING WITHOUT LICENSE.

A Drummer Gets Himself Into Trouble by Failing to Pay His License.

A. G. Hoyt, a white man, was arrested Friday night on the charge of peddling in the city without a license. Constable Dwight Styron made the complaint and also arrested the man.

It is said that Hoyt went to the businessmen with a captivating offer of a clock as premium if they would buy 150 cigars; the same to be delivered within a few days.

Many were suspicious though there have been no advices from other towns as to any irregularities in the man's transactions.

He appeared before Magistrate S. R. Street, pleaded not guilty and refused to pay either fine or license and was consequently ordered confined in jail until the matter could be arranged. Mr. Robert Nixon was his attorney.

"Who is This." In a recent issue of your paper was a list of Iniquitous "Donts" that are pertinent, timely and educating, and to them I wish to add—Don't say "Who is this?"—for "Who is that" when talking over the phone.

This silly and ungrammatical expression, originating no doubt with ignorant foreigners, is being gradually adopted by many of our people, who, while knowing better, use it thoughtlessly, although realizing how foolish it is. Don't say—WHO IS THIS?

We, the undersigned, believing Dr SETH ARNOLD'S BALSAM to be a reliable Remedy for Bowel Complaints hereby guarantee a twenty-five cent bottle to give satisfaction or money refund ed. T. A. Henry.

New Saw Mill Property.

Mr William B Blades has added another saw mill to his already large possessions in this line. Last week he purchased the Parmelee-Eccleston plant at Jacksonville, N. C.

It will be remembered that this plant suffered considerably on account of fire several months ago. A large part of the lumber, and some of the machinery, however, was saved.

Mr Blades will rebuild the plant and continue business in the same place.

ASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

NEW BERN PRODUCE MARKET WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Eggs, per doz. 16c. Chickens, old per pair. 60 & 65 young, per pr. 35 & 40 Pork, per lb. 9 & 10 Beef, " 5 & 6 Hides, green, per lb. .5c " dry, " .9 & 10 Beeswax, " 20 to 25 Corn, per bush. .55 & 56 Oats, " .55c Peanuts, .85 Potatoes, Yams, .65 Bahamas, .60

Local Grain Market.

Corn, per bu. .65 Oats per bu. .50 Meal, per bu. .70 Hominy, per bu. .70 Corn bran, per 100 lbs. 1.35 Wheat bran, per " 1.40 Cotton seed hulls, 100 lbs. 1.70 Cotton seed meal, 100 lbs. 1.50 Ship stuff, 1.50 No. 1 Timothy, per ton. 30.00

MAN ABOUT TOWN.

Incoherent Cogitations of a Long Bared Litterateur.

There is an interesting study in cogitation as to the cause of the unnatural heat and cold that has been experienced along the eastern slope the past few years. Scientists advance one theory after another only to be shattered by some common sense proposition which makes said theory look like a lead nickel.

Some of these theories have less basis to them than do the old time superstitions regarding the weather, and yet some people believe them as if they were divine revelations.

A scientist has lately endeavored to show that the extended warm season of last fall was that something had been jarred out of place. This country had been blown out to sea or else the gulf stream has changed its course and comes nearer the United States than usual, thus making a warmer condition for the coast states.

On the same principle it would be as natural to suppose that the cause of the intense cold that we have had this winter was the existence of a mammoth iceberg off Cape Hatteras or Lookout. One theory is as good as the other. The only reason for the very cold weather is, that there is very little coal or any thing else to burn; hence it is very cold. Had there been plenty of coal we would have had a mild winter. At least it looks that way to a man up a tree.

Many things both true and otherwise—mostly otherwise have been written in magazines on the romantic side of negro life. That there is plenty of material for a healthy imagination to feed upon is evident to every observant person who has lived among colored people. Their droll customs and ideas have been the means of keeping the wolf from the door of many an impecunious scribe.

Not long ago there was a happy old coon going along the street in this city He had imbibed long and fervently of that which exhilarates to the extent of poetic fantasy and noisy exuberance. If he had been in different circumstances his remarks would not have been noticed but his good nature was contagious and the crowd seemed to enjoy his rollicking jag as he went up the street in an uncertain kind of a way singing loudly, if not harmoniously,

"Old corn liquor's got me, It's got me by the ha'r I 'spec it hadn't got me I'd bin a melonaire."

The little doggerel may have a moral and suggestion to all who would profit by it.

MAN ABOUT TOWN.

Letter to Oaks Market. New Bern, N. C.

Dear Sirs: Porterhouse, so much, neck so much, all the way between. Just so with pain't, Devoe Lead and Zinc is the porterhouse. Nobody wants the neck; the between, some say, is good enough for them.

But Devoe costs less, not more, than between. Lead and oil is between; it is the old-fashion paint. But zinc has come in. Zinc toughens white lead. Devoe Lead and Zinc is the paint.

Mr. John N. Dellel, Fair Haven, N. Y. writes:

Mr. Charles Hollenbeck, of this place painted his house three years ago with Devoe Lead and Zinc; his father painted at the same time with lead and oil. Today the son's house looks as well as the day it was painted, while the father's house has all chalked off and needs painting very badly. The father says he will paint with Devoe next time.

MAN ABOUT TOWN.

Yours truly, F. W. Devox & Co., New York.

P. S.—E. W. Smallwood sells our paint.

New Books at Library.

The following new books have been received at the New Bern Circulating Library:

The Two Vanrevels, Lavender and Old Lace, Captain Macklin, The Fortunes of Oliver Horn, Donovan Pasha, Malcolm, Confessions of a Wife, The Diary of a Goose Girl, Sir Toady Lion, Captain January, Diddle Dumps and To!, The Flight of Pony Baker, Stonewall Jackson.

There will be a meeting of the committee Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All are requested to be present.

NOTICE!

I desire to close out my entire Stock of Goods at Cove, N. C., to someone who desires to go in business. Will close out on good terms, and will furnish store free for one year.

L. F. TAYLOR

SEEDS!

ONION SETS, white, yellow and red varieties just received. Large consignment of Spring Feeds from Buist, Landreth Ferry & Co.

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Simmons & Hollowell 67 Pollock Street. Ladies Silk Waists Reduced. Black, Navy, Lavender, Light Blue. BARFOOT BROS.

I TAKE ORDERS FOR Engraved Visiting Cards and Wedding Invitations. Tools for the Farmer. Hoes, Shovels, Spades, Rakes, Forks, Potato Drags, Axes, &c. To Rig Out Your Horses. Collars, Bridles, Saddles, Hack Bands, Singletrees, Trace Chains, &c., &c. Also the "Black Hawk" and "Re-lief" Corn Shellers. Everything guaranteed as represented. P. M. DRANEY, 67 S. Front St.

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