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\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

The Holidays ARE FAST Approaching

And we wish to give every man a chance to buy a **GUN** as a Christmas Gift at lower figures than ever sold before, and until January 1st we propose to **Sell Out the Following Guns at the Greatly Reduced Prices given Below:**

14 Champion Single Guns \$3.25
This is lower than the jobbers are asking for this same gun today. EACH

12 Columbia Single (nickel) 3.45

15 River Side Single guns 3.65

26 Geronimo Single guns 3.95
This is the Gun we brag on.

9 Essex Single guns 5.85
This is one of the best Single Guns made.

Double Barrel Guns

Made by Henry Arms Co. \$6.95 EACH

Richard Arms Co. 9.80

Hanover Arms Co. 8.60

Remington Arms Co. 19.00

Hammerless Remington Co. 21.00

Stevens Arms Co.

reduced from \$25 to - 18.00

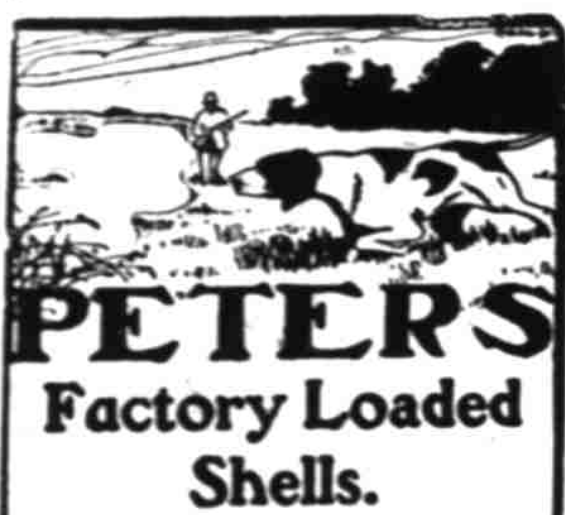
Remington Automatic Guns

five-shot - 28.00

We also have a big stock of Winchester Single and Repeating Rifles; also Hamilton Single Rifles, Savage Single Shot and Repeating Rifles. Will name you attractive prices on all of these. Also have a magnificent line of Smith & Wesson Pistols, all kinds of Colt's Revolvers and Ivey Johnson's.

We want to talk to you about...

It is remarkable how fast these shells are taking the lead in this section.



For Field Shooting Are Superior.
For Trap Shooting Are Unequaled.

Last season we made contract for \$1,000 worth of Peters Shells, and with little effort we distributed \$2,500 worth. This season our sales will run to \$5,000 if not \$6,000 on Peters Shells. Every box is guaranteed to equal any shells on the market. We stand ready to back up this guarantee. We offer any one 1000 shells who can demonstrate or show in any manner that Peters Shells do not shoot as well and fully as strong as any other shell on the market. This challenge is open to all. Another reason why people should shoot Peters Shells are that they are not TRUST MADE. Our prices are 40 cents per box on LEAGUE'S or \$7.50 per case of one half thousand. High Gun Shells at 60 cents per box, Ideal Shells at 65 cents per box. Down with your prejudice and shoot Peters Shells.

We also vite your attention to our Magnificent line of Hunting Coats, Pants, Leggings and Shell Belts.

Blalock Hdw. Co.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

THE HOME merchants of this town are getting in some pretty good blows these days but every once and awhile you hear a fellow talking about how some mail order house "did him up," to use his own expression. All things taken into consideration, it is a little peculiar just why many people prefer to patronize the mail order house when the same article is offered by the merchant at home for the same money less all express charges and risks. A Missouri paper gets off the following in favor of the citizen merchant:

"Whosympathized with you when your little girl was sick? Was it Sears & Roebuck?"

"Who carried you last winter when you were out a job and had no money? Was it Montgomery Ward & Co. or was it your home merchant?"

"When you want to raise money for the church or for some needy person in town, do you write to the Field store in Chicago, or do you go to your home merchant?"

"How much does Siegel, Cooper & Co. give toward keeping up sidewalks or paying the minister's salary?"

"When you were sick how many nights did Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co. sit up with you?"

"When your loved one was buried, was it your home merchant who dropped the tear of sympathy and uttered the cheerful word, or was it Marshall Field & Co?"

SEVERAL times recently our attention has been called to that "unwritten" law of the road which requires drivers and pedestrians to always, on meeting others, turn to the right. As the result of failing to heed this simple and most practical custom, vehicles are sometimes demolished and it is often the case that great damage is narrowly averted. Then, too, all should remember to give a loaded wagon the better part of the road on whatever side it may happen to be. If these rules are observed and another, that of reigning up your horse if you are driving fast and about to meet another team, the enjoyment of driving in the country and town would be greatly enhanced. If your neighbor is less fortunate than yourself and does not possess that pleasing knowledge that would enable him to scan the printed page, kindly remind him of these customs, justly honored and invariably observed by the thoughtful.

Speaking of a surgical operation performed on Policeman Goforth who was shot at Newton a few weeks, the Lexington Dispatch thinks it one of the most remarkable on record. Says the Dispatch:

"The ball penetrated the bowels and lodged in the muscles of the back, and now it promises the only danger that is possible, but the doctors think it will not give any trouble, at least for a time. The intestines were perforated at nine different places. By all experience of the medical fraternity, the policeman would die. Dr. H. F. Long, of Statesville, with the Newton physicians, met to operate saying it was all they could do and that it would be useless. They performed a most remarkable operation with amazing success. In cases of this kind, one man out of every 100 lives and 99 die. Goforth seems to be the lucky man. The doctors laid open the abdomen and took the bowels out. Each perforation was sewed up. One wound was two inches long. The abdomen was filled with blood. An artery had been cut by the ball. Double handfuls of clotted blood were taken out. The interior of the man's body was washed so clean that at the last a sheet of absorbent cotton was not discolored by a stain of blood. Having finished, the physicians gave out no hope."

"Goforth is a man of splendid physique. His body is sound. He is in his prime. No dissipation had weakened him. His wonderful vitality surprised everybody."

While the Dispatch is yet amazed by the account given above, we feel that Wadesboro physicians too should have credit for marvelous operations. About two years ago a couple of safe crackers were shot near Lilesville so that it seemed impossible for one to recover. From accounts given he was probably in worse fix than Policeman Goforth. This safe cracker suffered nine wounds in the intestines and was literally shot to pieces. With the attention of Drs. Bennett and Covington of this place he was soon able to stand trial, received a ten year sentence, and made his escape

from the penitentiary after a few months of confinement.

One month ago a negro here was shot five times through the intestines one time through the bladder, and every body said it was waste of time to operate on him. Drs. Bennett, Covington and Ross were called, and in three days time the negro threaten to take up his bed and walk unless he was provided with better food. Two weeks later he did leave without assistance. When it comes to difficult operations, Wadesboro physicians stand always in the first rank.

Christmas Don'ts.

(Success.)

Don't leave the cost mark on presents.

Don't let money dominate your Christmas giving.

Don't let Christmas giving deteriorate into a trade.

Don't embarrass yourself by giving more than you can afford.

Don't try to pay debts or return obligations in your Christmas giving.

Don't give trashy things. Many an attic could tell strange stories about Christmas presents.

Don't make presents which your friends will not know what to do with, and which would merely encumber the home.

Don't give because others expect you to. Give because you love to. If you cannot send your heart with the gift, keep the gift.

Don't give too bulky articles to people who live in small quarters, unless you know that they need the particular things you send them.

Don't wait until the last minute to buy your presents, and then, for lack of time to make proper selections, give what your better judgement condemns.

Don't decide to abstain from giving because you cannot afford expensive presents. The thoughtfulness of your gift, the interest you take in those to whom you give, are the principal things. The intrinsic value of your gift counts very little.

Don't give things because they are cheap and make a big show for the money. As a rule it is a dangerous thing to pick up a lot of all sorts of things at bargain sales for Christmas presents. If you do, there is always the temptation to make inappropriate gifts.

Besides there is usually some defect in bargain articles, or they are out of style, out of date, or there is some other reason why they are sold under price.

Only a Tramp.

(Youth's Companion.)

A recent incident which holds in its simple outlines the possibility of past tragedy, is described in the New York Times. It is another illustration of how careless the world is of the individual, and how thick is the cloak which one may wrap about his personality. The other day a laborer employed by the Erie Railroad in Jersey City was run over by a train and had his leg cut off.

A policeman telephoned for an ambulance. The injured man lay on a grass patch, apparently bleeding to death. Just then a typical railroad tramp in dirty rags sauntered along. He tapped a policeman's elbow.

"May I ask what's the matter, officer?" inquired.

"Man bleeding to death," replied the policeman.

"Would you mind if I looked at him?" asked the tramp. "I might be of service."

"Go ahead," responded the officer.

Bending low over the wounded laborer, the tramp asked for water to wash his hands, and then begged the crowd for clean handkerchiefs. With a half-dozen deft, rapid twists he made a tourniquet, and stopped the flow of blood.

"Are you a doctor?" some one asked, as the man slipped away through the crowd.

"I used to be," he replied, as he hurried off.

From a Constant Reader.

(Harper's Weekly.)

Henry White, our Secretary of Embassy at Paris, tells of a brilliant reporter on a French journal who holds a strong objection to the notebook, dear to most of his associates.

The Parisian newspaper man wears large white cuffs, and on these he is said to jot down such events as appeal to him, with suggestions for his subsequent articles. At first, the story runs, his laundress was much puzzled by these hieroglyphics, but as time went on she became able to read them, and apparently derived much benefit and pleasure therefrom.

One day the journalist received with his laundress garments a slip of paper on which was written:

"Your last washing was very interesting, but we should be glad to have you give us more political news."

King's Little Liver Pills wake up lazy livers, clean the system and clear the skin. Try them for biliousness and sick headache. Price 25c Sold by Martin Drug Co.

Rev. T. W. Chambliss in Wilmington

The pastor of the Wadesboro Baptist church made quite a good impression on the State Convention last week from reports received during the week. From the Raleigh News & Observer's correspondence from Wilmington, we clip the following:

The next topic was, 'The pastor and His Study.' This was ably discussed by Rev. T. W. Chambliss, the able and popular pastor of Wadesboro church. Mr. Chambliss has but recently come to North Carolina from Missouri and has already endeared himself to the people of Wadesboro as a gifted preacher and devoted pastor. In his able discussion he showed clearly that no pastor can perform the duties of his high position successfully in this day of intense activity in intellectual lines who does not spend much time in his study, preparing a message for earnest, openminded listeners. He declared that the preacher of today must first of all know the Bible, God's revealed will toward man, but he must also know men and be able to show a vital relation between the Gospel of the living Christ and the complex social and industrial life of the twentieth century.

Caught the Drinkers With a Kodak.

(Lexington Dispatch.)

When a man who loves booze too well gets a job with the Southern Railway Company he does not stay long. It is only a matter of time before he gets word to move on to some other road. It seems the officials do not wait for chance to reveal who indulges in the fiery fluid, but resort to more strenuous means to spot them. It is said that several days ago four or five men were dismissed for breaking this rule and they were reported in a rather unusual manner. A detective had been sent to Spencer to look out for those violating the drinking rule and while in a Salisbury saloon one day he perceived several railroad men who were taking a few drinks.

In his pocket he carried a small kodak and he quietly brought this into play and the tale was told. No use of denying anything, there were not only the faces but the interior of the saloon, the glasses on the counter—the perfect picture. This film was developed and sent in to one of the officials and in due time the men whose faces appeared in the picture were dismissed from the service.

COSMOPOLITAN CHRISTMAS.

How Philadelphia Celebrates the Yuletide of Many Peoples.

It is not the Christmas of one land, but the Christmas of many, that Philadelphia celebrates.

In no two Christian countries is the great natal day observed with the same rites and customs. In the foreign settlements of Philadelphia these variant forms, transported from the old lands, are kept alive. Indeed, at no other time are the various nationalities so very different as at Christmas.

In Little Italy, for instance, the "sacred Bambino," or Christ Child, is worshipped for nine days before Christmas. In every Italian home a novena is said, and a bagpipe player discourses daily before a Christmas shrine the "nacimiento."

In the city there are German children who, not knowing Santa Claus, look for the coming of Kris Kringle and Knave Ruprecht on Christmas eve—the Christ Child distributing presents and the Knave leaving switches for the chastisement of naughty little ones.

In the Swedish quarter, in the vicinity of Swanson and Christian streets, sheaves of wheat are placed at windows or on house-tops, that the birds as well as people may have a Christmas feast.

In a Chinese church Christmas hymns are sung in the language of Confucius, a most impressive and unusual ceremony.

A colony of Syrians observe exceedingly peculiar ceremonies in Philadelphia, one being enlivened by a dancer who balances a keg of beer on his head.

In the Kensington section the clicking of countless shuttles gives place to a festive and merry dance. The land, so faithfully observed that the spectator might easily imagine himself transported magically to the "right little isle" itself.—Philadelphia North American.

Letters to Santa.

Two of the many letters mailed to Santa Claus last Christmas read as follows:

Dear santa kloss. If you don't come to my house before you come to Willie Dor- gis I'll never speak to you in my life. Dear Santa Claus. Tell me your telephone number so I can order a ortomobile for a poor boy what ain't got no father on your street. MINI BORMAN.

New York Times.

He Fired The Stick.

"I have fired the walking-stick I've carried over 40 years, on account of a sore that resisted every kind of treatment, until I tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve; that has healed the sore and made me a happy man," writes John Garrett, of North Mills, N. C. Guaranteed for Piles, Burns, etc., by Parsons Drug Co.

A dear father writes his son at college: "I hope you are not in debt. Do you meet your bills?" The son's reply: "Yes, at every turn."

A Ring's Dyspepsia Tablet after each meal overcomes indigestion, dyspepsia and other stomachic ills. Two days trial free. Ask our dealer. Sold by Martin Drug Co.

SHORT LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Many Items Of Interest Here Recorded, All Of Which Will Perhaps Interest You—Read Them

—Mr. Geo. Burns of Cedar Hill is erecting a fine residence on his plantation.

—Dr. W. F. Gray, who has been confined to his room for several weeks on account of a sprained knee, hopes to be able to resume his dental work very soon.

—Mrs. Nora Edgeworth and Mr. Frank Porter, both of Mt. Croghan, S. C., were married last Tuesday afternoon. These young people are well known in this county.

—Mr. J. H. Ratliff of White Store has gone to Mt. Croghan, S. C., where he will open up a first-class grocery store. Mr. Ratliff is a reliable young man, and we bespeak for him a good patronage in his new business.

—Mr. E. M. Spencer of Walltown has bought the Adam Clark track of land in Lilesville township consisting of 103 acres, consideration \$550. The sale was made through the Anson Real Estate and Insurance Co.

—The four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Stricklin and its mother, Mrs. Stricklin, were severely burned Wednesday morning. The little child was playing too near the fireplace when its clothing caught fire. Its mother was burned in an effort to save her child.

—Announcement has been made of the marriage on Christmas night at 7 o'clock of Mr. John L. Bowman to Miss Annie Downer, both of Lilesville township. Mr. Bowman is a son of the late J. C. Bowman, and is a young man of excellent character. Miss Downer is a daughter of Mr. Geo. R. Downer, and has a host of friends who will be interested in her approaching marriage.

—Mr. McKay McComie of Scotland county will soon move his family to this county to a plantation near Morven which he has rented for the purpose of growing watermelons and cantaloupes on a large scale. He has been quite successful as a truck grower in his native county, and we welcome him to Anson county. Mr. McComie is a son-in-law of Mr. J. W. Pratt of Morven township.

—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Morven held in the office of the bank last Tuesday, all the officers were re-elected, and it was decided to increase the capital stock of the bank from \$10,000 to \$20,000. An annual dividend of 10 per cent was declared on the capital stock of the bank. The report showed the institution as being in a prosperous condition, and the officials hope to be in the new building within a few days.

—About two months ago L. S. McMillan, a deformed colored man, came here from Greensboro representing a Golden Rule Benevolent Association of that city. McMillan worked here among the colored people for several weeks in the interest of the association, and then bought the tailor shop which had been conducted by William Bates. Tuesday afternoon he was arrested here by officers from Asheboro, charging him with forgery, and obtaining money under false pretense at that place. So far as we have been able to learn, charges of the same nature can be preferred against him here for several hundred dollars. He was taken to Asheboro Wednesday morning.

Remarkable Rescue

That the truth is stranger than fiction, has once more been demonstrated in the little town of Fedora, Tenn., the residence of C. V. Pepper. He writes: "I was in bed, entirely disabled with hemorrhages of the lungs and throat. Doctors failed to help me, and all hope had fled when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. Then instant relief came. The coughing soon ceased, the bleeding diminished rapidly, and in three weeks I was able to go to work." Guaranteed for coughs and colds 50c. and \$1.00, at Parsons Drug Co. Trial bottle free.

Annapolis Cadetships.

Representative Page asks us to say that there are two vacancies from the Seventh Congressional district at Annapolis, and that he would like to have applications for these places from young men, actual residents of the district, who are between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one, and who are qualified to stand the examination.

"Sir, I want your daughter's hand."

"You may have it with the greatest pleasure, dear boy, if you'll take the one that's always in my pocket."

A Fortunate Texan.

Mr. E. W. Goodloe, of 107 St. Louis St., Dallas, Tex., says: "In the past year I have become acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, and no laxative I ever before tried so effectively disposes of malaria and biliousness." They don't grind nor gripe. 25c. at Parsons Drug Co.

Don't forget the Date, Monday, Dec. 23d

Wadesboro Still Progressing

AUCTION SALE OF 20 LOTS

Next Monday, December 23d

10 O'Clock

The possibilities of Wadesboro are just beginning to be seen, and it is evident real estate here has just begun to advance. Now is the time to look out and buy you a HOME.

These Are Choice Lots Near Town On the Camden Road

Easily reached by Electric Lights and Water Mains. In a good locality and being settled by desirable neighbors.

Lots bought at last sale are being sold already at good profits. These Lots I will sell are nearer town and more desirable. You will not find more choice lots for sale nearer town.

This Sale Is For Cash
And Lots Will Go Cheap.

T. R. Tomlinson

Don't forget the Date, Monday, Dec. 23d