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YORKE FURNITURE FACTORY BURNED

The Plant of the Yorke Furniture Company Destroyed by Fire Last Night.

A LOSS OF FIFTY THOUSAND.

Only One Building Saved and a Lot of Lumber—Fire Originated in Basement From Unknown Cause.

PLANT TO BE REBUILT IN THE SPRING.

The Largest and Most Destructive Fire for Many Years in This City.

The largest and most destructive fire in Concord for years was that last night which destroyed the plant of the Yorke Furniture Company, the entire plant, with the exception of the finishing room and a lot of lumber on the north yard beyond the railroad switch.

The fire originated shortly after 6 o'clock in the basement of the large house in which was all the machinery, engine and boiler room attached and the machinery of the lumber machine shops.

The plant of the Yorke Co. is located along side the main line of the Southern above the Gibson mill. At the upper side of the property a side track comes in, the space between this and the main line forming a V.

The buildings were all frame, the dry kilns being built with brick partitions, the whole making a big fire and fiercely hot, making the work of fighting the flames a great difficulty.

The loss is at least \$50,000, with insurance to cover some of the total loss. The Yorke Furniture Co. of which B E Harris is president and N F Yorke is secretary and treasurer was one of the thoroughly established enterprises of this city.

The buildings will be rebuilt and the business resumed. The company today shipped goods in compliance with sales and expects to rebuild as soon as possible.

NOTES. The nearest hydrant is several hundred feet away from the scene of the fire and the firemen could not get to the burning building, the hose not being sufficient to reach. This practical-

cally put the firemen out of the fight. In the building saved was stored the goods made and ready for shipment. There was quite a good deal of this and the insurance in part applied on this house. While the net loss will be heavy there is considerable insurance to apply to the destroyed property.

The total amount of insurance carried by the company on the entire plant was \$55,000, of this \$40,200 applies to that property destroyed, the remainder not being interested in the loss at all. This insurance is placed through three local agencies, Cannon & Gibson, Smith & White and John K Patterson, the risk being distributed among a number of strong companies.

The fact that many people are thrown out of employment is an appalling feature of the fire. The company employed more than a hundred hands, many of them working in the factory. The Western Union polls and wires on this side of the track were damaged, several polls being down and this handicapped the handling of messages over this line.

HIS CHRISTMAS BOX. A Regular Thing With Mail Carrier Hagler is One From Toledo.

Rural Mail Carrier, W H Hagler, received yesterday a large box from Toledo, Ohio, and without opening it he knew who the sender was and could about guess the contents, for every Christmas for six or more years this Toledo friend has remembered him and sent a box for himself and family.

It's an interesting story, though a simple one and makes good reading. One cold winter day some years ago Mr. Hagler was driving home from Concord. Sitting by the road he found a young man just out of his teens, cold, friendless and far from home.

Since returning to Toledo and doing well he has kept in touch with his Cabarrus friend and writes him occasionally—always sending a large well filled box at Christmas. The box came yesterday and added another link in friendship's chain.

The following cards are received: Mr. and Mrs. William Stephen Ingram request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Miss Monte Christin to Mr. Benton Blacklock on the evening of Wednesday the third of January nineteen hundred and six at six o'clock Methodist Episcopal church Mount Gilead, North Carolina.

Miss Ingram is well known in Concord, having visited Mrs. W R Harris the past summer.

Any woman can become a good listener, if there is enough gossip afloat. A Kensington undertaker displays this sign: "When all doctors fail, come to me."

A man should make the best use of his opportunities if he expects them to make the best use of him.

Don't dope the stomach with dangerous compounds for colds, croup, etc. Use Gowen's Pneumonia Cure. External. 12-23

TROOPS TAKE TUKUM.

Imperial Troops Retake the Town from Revolutionists After a Fierce Battle.

St Petersburg, Dec. 21.—The Imperial troops have retaken Tukum from the Revolutionists after a pitch battle lasting twelve hours. The rebels defended the place according to scientific military methods. The troops finally stormed the rebel position and captured the town at the point of the bayonet. It is stated that the losses are heavy to both sides.

Bombs Found in Jews Houses.

Odessa, Dec. 21.—A hundred and fifty bombs were discovered in houses of two Jews here and has caused an anti-semitic feeling stirred to a dangerous pitch. One of the bombs exploded as the police were removing them, wounding eight officers, which increased the sentiment against the Jews. It is feared that another massacre will follow, and, it is said, the Jews being forbidden to carry arms took this method of protecting themselves.

Arrest Man Wanted by Salisbury Police.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—At the request of the police of Salisbury James A Reeves, 46 years old, who recently came to Washington from North Carolina, was arrested on a warrant sent here by the Salisbury authorities.

It is charged in the warrant that he took a diamond ring worth \$225 belonging to the firm of Gorman & Green, jewelry dealers, under alleged unlawful circumstances.

The defendant denies the charge and claims that the affair in which he dealt with the firm is a civil one. He was wearing the ring at the time of his arrest. Bond is given for his appearance.

Do not be deceived by counterfeits when you buy Witch Hazel Salve. The name of E. O. DeWitt & Co. is on every box of the genuine. Piles in their worst form will soon pass away if you will apply DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve night and morning. Best for Oats, Burns, Boils, Testor, Eczema, etc. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Men are prone to spend a lot of time designing mansard roofs of hope for unfinished foundations of deeds.

Nature needs only a Little Early Riser now and then to keep the bowels clean, the liver active, and the system free from bile, headaches, constipation, etc. The famous little pills "Early Risers" are pleasant in effect and perfect in action. They never gripe or sicken, but tone and strengthen the liver and kidneys. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Cotton Growers' Meeting.

I wish to refresh the minds of the people that the Cotton Association meets Saturday, Dec. 23, at the court house at 11 o'clock. This notice has been before the public for some time and is only repeated "lest we forget."

Yours truly, G E RITCHIE, Pres.

Alliance Meeting.

Rocky Ridge Alliance is hereby called to meet Saturday, the 30th at 1 o'clock. Every member is requested to be present as there is business of importance to attend to.

J B WHITE, Treasurer.

NOTICE.

We are compelled to make some repairs to our engine and boiler and take this opportunity to notify our patrons that there will be no work turned out next week, (Xmas week.) Would be glad to get all you have this week, in order to keep the house-hold machinery running. Now wishing you a merry Xmas and a happy New Year we beg to extend our appreciation and thanks for past favors and solicit a continuance of the same, and promise you that we will endeavor to further our efforts in efficiency for the benefit of our patrons. Remember that we do no work next week.

R E RIDENHOUR, Prop. Concord Steam Laundry.

FOR RENT—Seven room house on Academy street. Apply to Dr. D G Caldwell. 12 21 if

The Happy Workman's Christmas. Christmas is going to mean more than ever this year. Never has the country been so prosperous. Never has the American workman been so fortunate. Never have wages been so high and work so plentiful.

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If you will drink coffee we want you to try White House AND White Star

The two best brands we have been able to get.

Dove & Bost. FOR Graham Flour and Buckwheat. Phone 87. Jno. C. Smith

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Marsh's Drug Store. Now is the time to provide yourself with Gowen's Pneumonia Cure. The external remedy for colds, coughs and pneumonia. All druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1. 12 23

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

Books. We carry the most complete line of Standard, Miscellaneous and Religious Books to be found in the Carolinas. In this ad, it is impossible to do our line justice, but we invite you to call and inspect the line whenever in Charlotte and call to your attention the following:

- Gift Books. Lovers' Mother Goose—III. by John Cecil Clay \$3 00. In Loves' Garden—III. by John Cecil Clay 3 00. Evangeline 3 00. Courtship of Miles Standish—by Howard Chandler Christy 3 00. An Old Sweetheart of Mine—by Howard Chandler Christy 2 00. Brete Harte's, Her Letter—III. by Arthur Keller 2 00. Lavender and Old Lace—Sign of the Jack O' Lantern—The Master's Violin; each 1 50

- Religious Books. Universal Elements of Christian Religion—by Dr. Cuthbert Hall \$1 25. Quiet Talks on Prayer—by Gordon; net 75. Quiet Talks on Power—by Gordon 75. Paths to Power—by Gungalus; net \$1 25. The Kingdom in Cradle—by Jno Atkins \$1 25. Bibles, Testaments, Prayer and Hymnals—and the new Methodist Hymnal, in all editions.

- Books for the Library. Standard authors, in complete sets and separate volumes in fine editions. We mention a few only of the many in stock: Dickens, Cloth, \$15.00; Leather, \$21.25. Cooper, Cloth \$8 00. Scott—Waverley Novels \$31.25. Chas Reade \$15 00. Thackeray—Cloth, \$12.00; Leather, \$17.50. Irving \$12.50. Separate volumes, we mention: True Geo. Washington—True Thos. Jefferson—True Henry Clay, each \$1.50. Bartlett's Familiar Quotations \$3.00. Recollections and Letters of Gen. Robert E. Lee, net \$2.50

- Books for Boys and Girls. Animal Heroes—the new collection of Animal Stories, by Ernest Thompson Seton \$2 00. Little Lord Fontleroy—by Mrs Burnett 1 25. Two Little Pilgrim Progress—by Mrs Burnett 1 25. In the Closed Room—by Mrs Burnett 1 50. The Little Princess—by Mrs Burnett 2 00. King Arthur and His Court—by Arthur Pyle 2 50. Henly Books—for Boys, 40 titles, cloth; each 25. Elsie Series—for Girls, 27 titles; each 1 25

Book Bargains. We have received a magnificent line of copyright fiction which we are making a run on, per volume, while they last. A few of the titles are: Old Grogan Graham, Red Rock, Right of Way, House of Green Shutters, Hon. Peter Sterling, Simple Life, Graustark, Cavalier.

Twenty-Five Cents—A beautiful line of classics, attractively bound in substantial cloth binding—also a library edition, several hundred titles—publishers' price of this series 75 cents, our price 25c

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Calendars. Our Calendar line this year is by far the prettiest and at the same time most practical we have ever carried. Nearly every one is a work of art and can be framed. Our Gibson Calendars are winners, each 50c

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