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## FAVORITES IN DRESS GOODS.

Light-weight clinging stuffs.

### Mohairs, Volles and Batistes

Are the desirable fabrics for the gracefully clinging gowns that are the vogue this Spring and Summer. Almost as light as cotton, airy, cool, yet serviceable and refined—little wonder that more wool dresses are demanded this season than ever before. Our assortment of all these popular fabrics is representative of all the good things produced in them this season.

### "COLLINGWOOD" MOHAIR.

Black Mohair, 38 inches wide. Lustre and finish equal to the \$1.00 grade, per yard 50c

Black Dress Goods—Under price.

All wool Black Voile, 38 inches wide 85c

All wool Black Henrietta, 75c quality 58c

All wool Black Cheviot, 50 inches wide. Regular dollar quality at per yard 75c

All wool Black Batiste, 38 inch, special per yd. 50c

### NEW WAIST SILKS.

Tempting in variety and price.

### WHITE WASH FABRICS.

Hundreds of yards of Persian and French Lawns, Batistes, Organdies, etc., going out of the White Goods corner every day and still the selling has just begun.

French Lawn, 44 inches wide, as sheer as Organdie and "washable," at per yd. 25c, 35c and 48c

Batiste with that light, airy look that's found only in the higher priced wash goods 25c, 35c and 45c

Persian Lawns. Dainty and sheer. Nicer quality for the price than you will find elsewhere. 15c, 20c and 25c

### SHIRT WAIST WHITE GOODS.

Lace stripes, checks, new Crepe effects. In fact, a great showing of all that's new in wash goods at

## Kindley-Belk Brothers Co.

Send for samples.

### CHICAGO FAIR PAYS \$450,000.

Share-Holders to Get 45 Cents Each After the Law Suits are Settled.

Chicago Dispatch 19th.

The \$450,000 which remains in the Treasury of the World's Columbian Exposition Co., probably will be divided next week among the 20,000 shareholders.

The last law suit against the company has been decided and the board of directors has concluded to distribute the money as soon as preliminary work can be accomplished.

The dividend is estimated to amount to about forty-five cents a share. Shares were sold for \$10. About one-fourth of the 20,000 stockholders held one share each. The city will get about \$235,000 as its dividend on the \$5,000,000 bond issue.

The funds have been tied up all these years by litigation against the World's Fair Company. About two hundred suits were brought for damages, the claims aggregating nearly \$500,000 and the money was held to meet possible judgments. Most of the cases were decided against the complainants, however, judgments being secured for less than \$15,000 of the entire amount.

McKinley Offered Pritchard a Cabinet Position.

Washington Star.

It is a matter of history, never before published, that president McKinley three times offered Mr. Pritchard a place in his official family. The offer one time was made through Representative Brownlow. Senator Pritchard declined then, and would decline now. He wants to return to the Senate from North Carolina, and is making a great fight in that direction. President Roosevelt realises the situation in North Carolina as to Senator Pritchard's case, and feels so friendly to the latter that he will do what he can to help the cause of his friend. This assistance may not go to the point of a cabinet office but it will take some other form.

One of the Best.

Editor Marshall, of THE GASTONIA GAZETTE, has greatly improved his paper. THE GAZETTE is now issued twice-a-week and is easily one of the best in the state.

### HAMPTON AT FAYETTEVILLE.

His Deed of Daring in a North Carolina Town. Fayetteville Observer.

The tradition of Hampton's killing a Federal soldier, down Gillespie street near the Town House, just as Johnston's army was leaving Fayetteville on the 11th of March, 1865, and Sherman's was coming in, used often to be repeated, and with variations. In the sketch of Hampton's life which appears in Saturday's Columbia (S. C.) State is the following account of the incident:

Historian Wells in his volume relating to Gen. Hampton gives a striking instance of his personal bravery and acumen. He says: "Early on the morning of March 11, 1865, Johnston's army was crossing the Cape Fear at Fayetteville, North Carolina. The infantry, artillery and wagon trains had nearly effected a crossing, while the cavalry were not across. Sherman's forces in parallel columns were pressing up, Gen. Hampton was near the hotel in the town when one of his best scouts, Hugh Scott by name, galloped up and told him that the enemy were close by in the parallel streets, a company of them having come through a byroad that had not been picketed, and that more were behind them. The situation was critical. If the enemy succeeded in wedging in between the retreating army and its cavalry, the rear guard would entail disaster. The cavalry would thus be cut off from covering the retreat and the bridge across the river which it was essential to burn after the crossing was completed, if left intact, would afford the Federals the opportunity of swift pursuit. Not a moment was to be lost. The cavalry leader must be able to both think and act with the rapidity of a flash of lightning, and that Hampton did on this occasion. He realized that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure in war as well as in disease and that one man's services in the nick of time may be more valuable than that of a thousand and a few minutes later. So, calling to the scout and two members of his staff to follow him and picking up three privates from Company K, Fourth S. C. C. (Charleston Light Dragoons)\* and also one man said to be from Wheeler's command \* \* \* the general dashed around the corner and gave the order, "Charge." His seven followers—there were no others in the charge—obeyed with alacrity and all, the general leading, flung themselves upon the Federals, who were drawn up in the street. These fired a volley with their carbines, but by that time the Confederates had struck them and confused by the suddenness of the attack, the fierce assaults and the powder smoke they did not realize the small number of their assailants. So they tried to wheel about to run, but among them were pistol balls at close quarters, and the hack and thrust of sabres. Less than a hundred yards down street was a turn at right angles to the left into the byroad by which they had entered the town and by which they were endeavoring now to escape. Here they became jammed together in confusion, all organization lost and their pursuers cut and thrust like devils incarnate, as they probably thought. Eleven Federals were killed and 12 captured and the rest, many of them wounded, fled in wild panic carrying consternation to their friends with excited tales of hundreds of men in buckram, as the best will do in such circumstances." The only Confederate casualty was the killing of a fine mare. Thus was the crossing of the river secured to the Confederates. Hampton had grasped the situation and had solved the problem.

### Master Turtle.

Yorkville Register.

Mr. S. S. Smith, of Point, was in Yorkville Monday. He said that Mr. W. R. Thomason, the ferryman at "Wrights," a few days ago captured a loggerhead turtle that weighs 23 pounds. "This," said Mr. Smith, "is the largest turtle I have ever heard of on the river except one that a Negro captured on my place a few years ago. It weighed 23 pounds. Mr. Thomason caught his turtle in a drop net. My Negro jumped on the back of his in the creek." Mr. Smith says that fishing has not been very good at the ferry during the past few weeks.

### Twas Ever Thus.

Willaboo Chronicle.

The biggest kickers against the new court house so far heard from are the fellows whom the commissioners have released from taxes.

### Admiral Schley will visit Jackson in May as the guest of the state of Mississippi.

## ANNOUNCEMENT EXTRAORDINARY.

### Three Handsome Prizes to be Awarded for Three Largest Clubs of Subscribers Sent to The Gazette by Saturday, May 3rd—Particulars of the Contest.

THE GAZETTE is one paper in Gaston county whose circulation is growing greater and not less. It is now issued twice every week; it is printed throughout from new type, neat, clean, attractive; edited with care in every department, it endeavors to be reliable always, to print the news and tell the truth, and is devoted to the protection of home and the interests of Gaston county. These things, together with the aid of its friends, are making the paper go at a rate which eclipses all its previous records.

But we feel that our very kind friends are entitled to some reward. Therefore, encouraged by the results of other similar offers made to our subscribers in the past, we have, as previously announced, decided again to interest our friends who have helped us and are helping us now to make THE GAZETTE what it is to-day.

There are two important points to note: first, THE GAZETTE is offered twice a week for a dollar to all who get the dollar in by Saturday, the third day of May; second, to the three persons who bring us the three largest lists of new subscribers by that date, we will give three handsome prizes.

Now for the particulars concerning the contest and the prizes: **FIRST PRIZE**—To the person who brings in the largest list of new paid subscriptions under this offer by the date named, we will give a choice between two handsome twenty-dollar prizes.

1. Choice number one is a fine new improved Columbian Phonograph now on exhibit at Torrence's Jewelry Store. It is not the small kind with a cylinder record. It is an improved loud instrument with a circular record like a dinner plate, and can be heard easily across the street. This fine machine and six records (three large and three small) make up this outfit.

2. Choice number two is a most beautiful ladies' Mahogany Desk, with chair to match, now on exhibit at The Gastonia Book Store. The desk is Macey's make inlaid with white holly and mother-of-pearl, a lovely piece of furniture, as every lady who sees it will testify. The chair to match goes with it. Bring the largest list of new subscribers and take your choice of the two superb prizes described above.

**SECOND PRIZE**—For the second largest list of subscriptions under this offer, the prize will be a choice between a very large and handsome new five-dollar hammock and a five-dollar Waterman's Fountain Pen—both at The Gastonia Book Store.

**THIRD PRIZE**—For the third largest list of subscriptions brought in under this offer, the prize will be a fine three-dollar silk umbrella or a beautiful three-dollar rug at Thomson Co.'s store.

Anybody is a new subscriber who does not now take the paper, with this limitation: a mere transfer of the paper from one member of a family to another or from one neighbor to another for the sake of getting a name on the list is not securing a new subscriber. Of course no honest person would resort to a scheme like that.

In this subscription contest the prizes are awarded not for the largest number of names but for the largest number of paid annual subscriptions at one dollar each. Four 3-months or two 6-months subscriptions count as one annual subscription.

The contest is to end Saturday night, May 3rd, so that we can make up the awards Monday for the paper coming out on the following day.

These are the conditions of the contest, and we hope our friends will get to work and forward subscriptions as fast as they get them. Everybody who knows us knows that these prizes will be awarded just as we say. If the biggest list contains no more than one subscriber, the person who brings it will get one of the twenty-dollar prizes.

### The Prosperous South.

Roanoke Journal.

We are prosperous here. We are holding our own, and more. But we are not moving with such giant strides as South Carolina or North Carolina or Georgia. These Southern States are having a splendid demonstration these days that the national policies are made for them as well as for us, and, indeed, that under present conditions they are really securing the larger proportion of the benefits. All this is right and natural enough. It is the legitimate result of the large natural wealth of the South, and of the growing ambition of its resolute people. The time will come when the protective tariff and the gold standard, which have been utilized so favorably for Massachusetts, will be upheld quite as strenuously in South Carolina. The North has always insisted that these policies meant just as much to the South, if the South would only take hold and turn them to advantage. Now the South has done so. It is challenging our old supremacy in many lines of manufacturing. It is diversifying its industries. It is attracting Northern capital and Northern skill. The North is frankly glad of it. It is not enough that a few States or one should be prosperous. It is best for all of us in the long run that prosperity should be diffused evenly throughout the nation.

### Trouble in Getting Material.

Charlotte News, 19th.

Mr. E. H. Overcash, the contractor, says the work on the Catholic church at Gastonia has been delayed on account of inability to secure material. Just as soon as the material can be gotten together the work will be commenced.

### The Grades of Public School Teachers in the State.

Statesville Landmark.

Statistics compiled in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction show that there are in the State 1,716 male public school teachers holding first grade certificates and 1,775 female teachers with first grade certificates. The number holding second grade certificates is 902 males and 883 females. There are 21 males and 13 females holding third grade certificates. Warren and Edgecombe counties have each only one male teacher holding first grade certificates and two holding second grade certificates. Taken the State over there are 300 fewer holders of first grade certificates than in 1900, but more than there were a year ago. Of the 20 counties which asked no aid out of the second \$100,000 apportionment to provide 4 months terms for the schools 13 have a majority of female teachers.

### On the Guilford Battleground.

Washington Star.

Major Joseph M. Morehead, of Greensboro, who has been making strenuous efforts to have the remains of Gen. Greene, who commanded the Continental troops at the battle of Guilford Court House, taken from Savannah for interment on the Guilford battleground has received a letter from a grand-daughter of the General, a resident of Rhode Island, heartily commending that movement. While she would prefer Rhode Island, his native State, she freely yields to the Guilford battleground, "where he did his greatest work."

### In Burke Superior Court J. T. Lackey, formerly of Alexander, was convicted of stealing a mule and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.


## Spring and Summer Styles.

Milinery Department complete with every new design. 0 0

Infant's and Children's Headwear in the latest creations. 0 0 0

White Goods, Dainties, Lawns, Organdies, in new and pretty designs, plain and fancy. 0 0

Laces, Appliques and Embroideries.



This garment is made of Fine Silk and is the most durable and newest skirt on the market.

Neckwear, Belts, Parasols, Handkerchiefs. Always a complete line of novelties on hand.

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Stieff Pianos are the only world renowned instrument sold direct from factory to purchaser. I am Stieff's factory salesman and have something to tell you. Listen! For 60 days I will sell a piano or organ to any one at a straight Wholesale Price on a Cash Basis. I handle three other makes of good instruments which I can sell you lower than the lowest. Also have on hand a lot of nice second-hand pianos and organs, received in exchange, which go from \$15 to \$25. I can't see everybody—too much territory. But write me and I'll call on you, and what's more, will save you money.

W. D. BARRINGER, Salesman Chas. M. Stieff. GASTONIA, N. C.

## HORSES AND MULES

We still have a fine lot of well-broke Horses and Mules carefully selected by our Mr. Craig to suit the needs of our customers. Come at once and find just the animal you want.

**BUGGIES! BUGGIES!!**

Our trade calls for more buggies and more new ones keep rolling in. We mention the Babcock and Anchor—none better of their kind—but we have others, and can sell you a buggy, a good buggy, from \$35.00 up.

## Craig & Wilson. HAMMOCKS

Wish you would come in and see the season's new hammocks. They will surely "catch your good." The new weaves this season are unusually pretty, the colors and superb stripes produce in some instances charming tapestry effects, while the materials and making are all that could be desired. Prices 85c up to \$6.00.

**THE NEW BOOKS ALSO**

are here with their charming covers, pictures, and messages of instruction and entertainment. Our counters, too, are a-bloom with the new April magazines. Please drop in and browse among them to your heart's content.

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