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TUESDAY, DEC. 12, 1905.

Small boys and girls who have been inadvertently omitting the matter should now begin to be good.

The attempt of that poor Greensboro hotel dog to effect self-destruction is a pitiful commentary upon the hotel accommodations of that town.

An illustration of the strenuous activities of the holiday trade is the statement that the United States Treasurer, Mr. Treat, has just had shipped to Washington the enormous sum of \$400,000 in dimes.

It is settling time of year. THE GAZETTE does not dun its subscribers through its columns, but mentions the fact as a general reminder that annual pay time is come—the end of the year is at hand.

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Mr. Blanton, manager of the Piedmont Telephone Co., at Mt. Holly spent one day up the road last week fixing up phones. Mr. Blanton seems very attentive to his duties and we believe is giving general satisfaction.

Rev. Mr. Tabor the Methodist minister of Mt. Holly, preached his first sermon at River Bend last Sunday to a small congregation.

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greater the crop the less the profit would then cease to be true. Give the cotton of the South free access to the world's markets and it will soon be a case of "more cotton, more profit."

HIT OR MISS.

Some Further Remarks on the Post Office Situation.

I read an article in your paper signed "Honest Appaler" which I enjoyed very much as far as the music went. Such things as he handled, he handled well. Let me ask to say a few words further.

Where does the opposition to Esquire Bradley come from? Not from the rank-and-file Republicans of Gastonia, but from this P. O. ring of party-destroyers outside. They accuse him of being a non-resident.

EAST GASTON.

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This Monday morning the sun rises on the chain gang in our section for the last time. We bid farewell to them and wish for each of them that they are serving their last sentences as prisoners.

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OLD FURNACE ITEMS.

Old Furnace, Dec. 9.—Mr. Lee Hager and Miss Frances Lingerfelt were married Wednesday, December 6th. Rev. Mr. Prudly of Kings Mountain officiating. Much joy to them.

Mr. George Boone has moved to his place near Kings Mountain from Caroleen cotton mill. He intends to farm next year.

Mr. Andrew McGill cut his finger while cleaning a hog and got blood poison from it, but he is about well now.

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Mr. S. B. Haffstetter has put up a store on the Cherryville and Kings Mountain road at his own residence.

Mr. A. H. Bridges took three well developed June apples from one of his trees the day before Thanksgiving. They were the second crop.

COTTON GROWERS TO MEET.

County Association Called to Meet at Dallas Next Saturday Morning.

Follow Cotton Growers of Gaston County.

On account of the inclement weather last Saturday, but few of us met in Dallas. Not caring to transact business without giving every section a chance, we adjourned to meet again next Saturday the 17th, in Dallas at 10:30 a. m.

Yours truly, ROBT. L. ABERNETHY, Chm.

To Extend American Markets.

Senator Overman of North Carolina, has introduced in the senate this week a bill providing for the establishment of a commission to investigate market conditions throughout the world and make such recommendations as will promote the export of American manufactured products.

It provides for a commission of five members and the employment of experts, to last three years, and to cost not more than \$300,000. It is stipulated that the commission shall "consider ways and means for enlarging the export trade in cotton products and other manufactures of the United States."

It is generally recognized that there is strong need of such a commission because of the poor showing made by our manufactured exports of raw material," said Senator Overman. "The cotton products of the south are increasing every year. The south exports more than 7,000,000 bales of raw cotton, which are manufactured into cotton goods in England and sent back to South America, where \$32,000,000 worth were sold to Argentine alone last year.

Rev. James A. Weston, of Hickory, the well known Episcopal minister was stricken with paralysis Tuesday night at 9 o'clock at Shelby. He had just selected his text for a discourse before the Episcopal convocation, which is in session there. A message stated that Mr. Weston's condition was very precarious. His left side was affected by the stroke.

World's Greatest Library.

New York will soon have the greatest library building in the world, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. It will have capacity for 4,500,000 volumes, and its approximate cost will be \$6,000,000. It occupies a frontage of two blocks facing on Fifth avenue between Fortieth and Forty-second streets. Its site is that of the large city water reservoir on the east side of Bryant park.

Memmoth's Skull and Bones.

The skull and bones of the bone of one of the forelegs of a memmoth were brought to San Francisco by J. M. Townsend, a carpenter on the United States revenue cutter Bear, says the San Francisco Chronicle. These fossil remains were dug out of the mud in the bed of one of the rivers on Ketchikan coast, Alaska. They were found by master Baker last July and were taken to the Bear to be traded. Townsend, recognizing the value they would have in the United States, at once purchased them. The skull is nearly three feet long and weighs nearly 100 pounds.

A census just taken of High Point gives her a population of 10,000.

Stylish Clothes for the Holidays AT MODERATE PRICES. THIS is the time of year everyone wants to look his best. Why shouldn't you look well-dressed and prosperous? Surely it isn't because you can't afford to.

HELLO, DELINQUENT TAX-PAYER! NOTICE! The Town Tax Collector is required by law to proceed at once to collect all poll and property taxes remaining unpaid for the year 1905.

PRICES ADVANCING Property was cheaper last year than it is now. It is cheaper now than it will be next year. Buy at once. Here are some mighty good offers:

No Limit! You too would have to build bigger barns if you would only raise and raise your yield per acre by enriching your soil and feeding your plants with that wonder-weapon, Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer.

E. N. Linberger is with the Eureka Hardware Co. Call and see him when you want hardware. Corner Main and Marietta Streets. J3

NOTICE. All parties owing G. W. Abernethy and J. M. Clappitt will please call at the Gaston Loan and Trust Company and settle, as we want our money. I have been sick part of the last three months and have not been able to attend to my collections. Respectfully, G. W. ABERNETHY.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of W. W. Orrison, deceased, the undersigned hereby notifies all creditors of the said decedent to present their claims for payment on or before the date of December 1st, 1905.

NOTICE. No. 275. State of North Carolina, Gaston County. To A. J. Smith, acting entry taker for Gaston County. The undersigned J. F. Franchberger and Sam Barrett, of Gaston county, North Carolina, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the deed of land in Crowder's Mountain Township, Gaston county, State of North Carolina, the same being a deed and unappropriated land and subject to entry, viz:

Typewriting papers, in a 50-cent case, for sale at THE GAZETTE office.

BIG CUT AT JNO. F. LOVE'S THE PEOPLE'S STORE. 30 Boys' Knee Pant Suits to go at half price. Ladies' Sweaters, all wool, at cost. All Ladies' Trimmed Hats, 33% per cent off.

Save Your Horse-Money Why not invest your horse-money in some of our splendid unbroken stock and thus save from \$35 to \$50 on every purchase? It is like getting that much pay for simply breaking the animal to harness.

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