## FRIDAY, DEC. 14, 1906.

Congress by Representative E. Y. Webb providing for a post-office building is snother long step forward for Gastonia. Mr Webb's interest in and efforts in behalf of Gastonia are appreciated by every loyal and publicspirited citizen of the town. The Gazette slucerely trusts that this bill will go through without a bitch. If there is a town in North Carolina that eds and deserves a public building, we believe that town is Gastonia. Here's hoping for an early passage of the bill.

Poor Asheville! She has emerged from a coal famine, which caused many citizens to spend sleepless nights because of the prospect of passing out over the frozen route, only to find herself face to face with a trapper, is rapidly failing in health and that his days are numbered. He is over cighty it. The autoists are the biggest kickers and they are backed up by the cooks, the tailors and the printers. It's a pity "Asheville man. He is a unique figure and faltering. There is a touch of pathos in the passing of this man. He is a unique figure and has occupied a unique position in the State's history. The on-relieving so many of the ills ward march of properties has not of man is proverblal, wont run disturbed him in the least. With automobiles, heat cook stoves, sutomobiles, heat cook stoves, tion he has remained a hunter warm the tailor's goose or help and trapper to the last. He the poor printer out.

tonia's lead in the matter of man. Many and many's the prohibiting the illegal sale of cabin home in Yancey to Ashe-cigarettes to minors. As told in the local columns of The Gazette the local columns of the citizens a week or two ago the citizens executive committee of Gastonia had formulated plans and instituted a campaign to bring about the strict enforcement of thin law. Wednesday's Charlotte News says that Chief of Police H. C. Irwin has determined to break up the sale of the coffin tacks to the minors of Charlotte and has issued orders to all the patrolmen to keep a sharp lookout for all offenders. This is a law that ought to be enforced in every town and hamlet in the State. Though it has been on the statute books a long time it has been practically a dead letter in most places. Let the good work go on.

### STOMACH'S IMPORTANCE.

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#### men and trings.

Asheville, we believe, is the rat town in the State to pass a we making education compulmaking education comput-This was done last week The Citizen says other of districts in Buncombe are wanting an opportunity to fol-fow suit. It is also fikely that Senator Chas. A. Webb, of that county, will father a bill in the mext session of the Legislature ment session of the Legislature which will give other portions of the State a chance to follow the lead of the mountain city. State Supt. J. Y. Joyner, it is said, will be one of those to draw up the bill.

Tom Dixon's latest bid for notoriety is his announcement, appearing in The Atlanta Georgtan under a Memphis, Tenu., date line, to the effect that it is his intention to establish, either terior of this already handsome near Asheville or somewhere in store as attractive as possible. the piney woods of Georgia, a farm for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis. It has been some weeks since any town council has deemed it necessary to pass ordinances prohibiting the presentation of "The Clausman" and the Reverend Tom's press agent is not the pine as attractive as possible. Holly and cotton were the principal articles used in decorating and the effect was magical. This firm never carried a more complete or a prettier line of holiday goods than they have this year. erend Tom's press agent is no doubt running short of topics and copy. Yesterday this play-wright and anthor was posing as a martyr; to-day it is as a philan-thropist that his press agent ad-vertises him. What next?

all the encroachments of civilizaholds the palm for having killed more bears in the mountains of Charlotte is following Gas- North Carolina than any other time he has walked from his a class practically by himself and his death, now but a short time off, will mark the end of an era which will thus close for good in this section of the coun-

Friday the House was in session three hours. The Hunt bill, incepresent for a gentleman will find neckwear in a bewildering profusion, gloves, handkerchiefs and a thousand and one other things appropriate. Don't fail give you a free demonstration in you own home.

Iames F. Yeager, the ladies' shipping in from other States of prison-made goods. The argument made was to the effect that it is cruel to force the free labor of the country, to compete with convict labor in the manufacture of goods. The vote in the bill's favor was practically unanimous.

Simplified spelling received a death blow at the hands of the House committee on appropriations when a bill was passed requiring that in printing all store of John F. Love, Inc. Post card albums. pillow tops, Indian

Of course you'll have some ations when a bill was passed requiring that in printing all documents authorized by Con-gress the Government Printing Office must use the orthography established by Webster. Members are allowed \$1,400 instead of \$1,200 for clerk bire. A bill

of \$1,200 for clerk hire. A bill was passed creating a game preserve of nearly seven hundred thousand acres within the Olympia Forest Reserve in the State of Washington. The House adjourned till Monday.

Monday Representative Randell, of Texas, introduced a bill to prohibit Senators and Representatives from serving or receiving any pay from public service corporations. Wednesday the House began the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill by patagraphs.

THE SENATE.

THE SENATE. position developed Monday executive session to the mation of Charles J. Bonaarte as Altorney General, this reventing the confirmation of fulliam H. Moody as associate stice of the Supreme Court. his opposition resulted from

### CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS' GUIDE.

Gastonia's stores present a Gastonia's stores present a holiday appearance. The merchants have provided specially attractive lines for the holiday buyers and one is able to find almost anything he wants either for self or for friends. A glance at The Gazette's advertising columns tells the story. The progressive merchants of the town are represented there and town are represented there and you will gain by patronizing

Perhaps the largest crowd that ever attended a holiday opening in Gastonia was out Wednesday night to see the handsome things on display at the jewelry store of the Tor reuce-Morris Company. No ef-fort had been spared by the clerical force to make the in-

Frost Torrence & Co. have some beautiful portable electric lamps. Al. Huyler's candies.

The Gastonia Book Store is showing a new line of cut glass.

Morris Brothers' department store has gone a bow-shot ahead of anything they have attempted beretofore in the holiday line Their store contains a large and varied assortment of toys and Christmas goods of every de-

At Swan-Slater's (head-tofoot outfitters for men and boys) you will find some handsome things in neckties, gloves, mufflers, silk handkerchiefs and other articles for men. If it's a present for a gentleman your'e ooking for, pay them a visit.

Haudsome 100 piece dinner sets, sideboards and china closets are just three of the many things the Williams Furniture Company has to show the holiday trade. Their big stores in the Craig & Wilson and Ragan buildings are busy places just now.

"Belk's busy store" is the way the J. M. Belk Company's big establishment is designated at which will thus close for good in this section of the country.

WHAT CONGRESS IS BOIRG.

House of Representatives:

Friday the House was in session three hours. The Hunt hill in nice present for a gentleman will seems and the season. In the shopper who is looking for a gentleman will some season. In the shopper who is looking for a gentleman will shopper makes a more approach.

> Company has many handsome things to show you in their line; haudsome library tables, parlor clocks, sideboards, pictures. This firm's stock is large and complete. Call on them for anything in the furniture line.

> card albums, pillow tops, Indian baskets they have in profusion together with something special in gold and silver handled umbrellas. They also have some pretty rugs on display for the tolidays.

> In their grocery department you will find their famous 25 cent candy which they sell for 10 cents along with other good things to eat.

Torrence Brothers still have lew bargains in bicycles.

See John P. Davis & Son for our Christmas livery.

Maybe it's a house and lot or a lot you're looking for. Then see the Gastonia Realty & In-surance Co. They have some interesting things to talk to you

In all your holiday trading, Freuch mixed caudy.



The above cut shows Gastonia's latest cotton mill, the Clara, the machinery of which Mountain Power Company, which is to furnish the motive power for the mill, was turned on for the first time at 10.30 o'clock Wednesday morning and the motors were set to running. Miss Clara Arm strong, the clever young 13 year-old daughter of Mr. C. B. Armstrong, secretary and treasurer of the Clara Manufacturing Company, had the honor of turning on the current. Mr George M. Welch, of the Gen eral Electric Company, of Schenectaday, N. Y., under whose supervision the electrical apparatus was installed, was on hand to superintend the starting. Several of the stockholders and officers, The Gazette man and a few spectators were on hand to witness the operation. Mrs. E. C. Wilson and son, Mr. Frank Wilson, of Danville, Va., the latter a stockholder, were in the

up-to-date mill throughout. Its day.

James F. Yeager, the ladies' furnisher, has prepared for the holiday trade in such a way that you won't fail to find something in his big store to interest you. Pars, suits, coats, skirts and dressing materials of all kinds

Of course you'll have some money left after it's all over. The cashier of the First National or the Citizen's Bank will take this and keep it for you. And you won't have to carry a big stick slong and threaten bim with violence to make him take it either.

Of course, again, you want a Christmas feast all the year round in the shape of "Gaston County's Leading Newspaper." That's The Gazette. There's always somebody around the shop, except late at night and on Sundays, to take your sub-scription and start the paper

Messrs. Long Brothers, the firm that sells tinware, stoves and ranges, are giving away bandsome lithographed pails of

equipment consists of 5,000 spindles for the manufacture of fine yarns, Nos 40's to 60's, and socket type. was put into operation this the necessary adjunct machin-



Miss Clara Armstrong, 13-yearold daughter of Secretary and The Clara is a modern and turned on the current Wednes-

the speeders are of the Woon- manufacture of yarns will begin The mill is in earnest next week. divided into sections, each beweek. The electric current ery. The spinning frames are ing operated by a separate from the plant of the Spencer of the Whitin make, the picker motor so that any section may be stopped without interfering with the operation of any of the other sections. There are 13 \$100,000. The incorporators are motors, 12 of 20-horse power and one of 50-horse power. This gives a total of 290 horse Sloau and S. S. Shuford. The power, though only about 150 is

> Mr. Charles M. Dunu, one of Gastonia's most experienced cotton mill men, is superintendent. He had the honor of putting into operation the machinery of the Avon and Loray, with which mills he was formetly connected. Mr. Bob Caldthe motors dried out and ad- its owners hope for.

woodwork is white.

room machinery is Kitson and justed properly. The

The Clara Manufacturing Company was organized Jar. 25, 1906, and was chartered with an authorized capital of \$200,following were elected directors: required to operate the mill.

The building is lighted by electricity, heated by steam and well ventilated.

The interior are: President, R. P. Rankin are: President, R. P. Rankin. are; President, R. P. Rankin; vice president, G. A. Gray; secretary and treasurer. C. B.

Armstrong. Organized and backed by men who are familiar with the manufacture of cotton goods and in charge of men who have established reputations as practiwell has charge of the spinning cal and successful managers of room and Mr. Stamey Smith the cotton mills, the Clara starts uncarding room. Most of the der most auspicious circummachinery is in place and cotton stances. The Gazette welcomes has already been put on the it to the circle of Gastonia's carding machines. It will take ever increasing number of mills some two or three days to get and wishes for it all the success

#### Their Occupation

A teacher, in charge of the second primary grade at a Denver school, was telling the children about Columbus one day not long ago. She told them all about the home life of the discoverer of Am rica and all about

raised his hand.

the teacher. 'They were barbers," said the boy.

### How To Kill Your Town.

Denounce your merchants because they make a profit on their goods
Knife every man that disagrees
with you on the method of increasing
business.

denounce them for not being as large as the city papers.

Don't we need more back bone for the interest of humanity? Not a spinal column that cannot yield or bend; but upright, and that will fearlessly express upright, and just opinious—a gentle, honeat steadfastness, which is cruel never.

bis people.
"His relatives," she said,
"were wool combers."
The next day Columbus was

discussed again.
"By the way children," said the the teacher, "do you remember what his relatives were."

There was a moment of profound stillness. Then a little

ollow in the rear of the room You may tell as Willie," said

Kick.
Keep kicking.
And don't quit kicking.
One pull one way and one t'other.
Go to other towns and buy your

Tell your merchant that you can buy your goods a great deal cheaper in another town and charge him with

Restortion.

Keep every cent you get, and don't do any thing of a public nature unless you can make something out of it discretized.

rectly.

When you say any thing of your town say it in a way that it will leave the impression that you have no faith

in it.

Patronize outside newspapers to
the exclusion of your own, and then
denounce them for not being as large



## Your Christmas LIVERY

If you want turnouts for a wedding party, a single budgy, double team or snything in the Livery Lise, you'll find the best at

# The Big Four In Men's Gifts

# Neckties and Mufflers

T1HS \_\_\_\_\_ 25c and 50c In individual boxes 50c and 75c Mufflers ...... \$1.00 to \$2.00

## Fancy Half Hose

Cotton and Lisle ... 25c and 50c

## Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs

#### **GLOVES** (Get Ilis Size)

Mocha..... \$1.00 to \$1.50 Dressed Kid ......\$1.00 to \$1.50 Wool ...... 25c to 50 Driving \_\_\_\_\_ 50c to \$1.50

Swan - Slater Company Head-to-Foot Outfitters for Men and Boys

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# A BUCKET OF CANDY

FREE

Beginning to-morrow (Saturday) morning, December 15. we are going to give to each and every customer who purchases as much as 25 cents worth at our store a one. half pound pail of fine French Mixed Candy absolutely free of charge. It is put up in a handsome and appropriately lithographed pail. No matter what the amount of the purchase (provided it is as much as 25 cents) only one bucket goes to a customer. If you need anything in

# Now is the Time to Buy

Don't forget the time-Begins tomorrow morning-Nor the place-

Tinware, Stoves and Ranges GASTONIA, I I NORTH CAROLINA