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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1910.

Without question one of the greatest factors in the future industrial and commercial life of the Piedmont section will be the inter-urban lines of electric railways. The project of the Messrs. Duke to build a 300-mile line from Anderson, S. C., to Durham, via Gastonia, should appeal to every progressive citizen along the line of the proposed road. The mass meeting in the commercial club rooms tonight, at which representatives of the Piedmont Traction Company and the Southern Power Company, will be present, should be largely attended. Let every Gastonia business man be present.

But ten days of 1910 are left, yet Gastonia is no better off as regards a passenger depot than she was a year or two years ago. The Southern is keeping the public in suspense and largely in the dark. They are holding out a long lean arm and grasping hand, the sole contents of which consist in a lemon (a measly little shack of a depot) which they are trying to hand Gastonia. At Orange, Va., a town not half the size of Gastonia, the Southern has just completed a handsome depot at a cost of several thousand dollars. The Gazette expects, in an early issue, to present some comparative figures on these two towns, what the railroad has done for one and what it wants to do for the other. At High Point, in the same class with Gastonia as regards size, business, etc., the Southern has built a good depot. Gastonia deserves better treatment than she's getting and, unless we misinterpret the spirit of our people, she's going to have a square deal or die a fightin' for it.

Only Four Days More For Xmas Shopping

Time flies and so do our Holiday goods. Christmas is upon you; only four days more to do your Holiday shopping. Had you ever thought of how much holiday goods you could find at the Thomson Mercantile Co.'s store. You can find at this store gifts for every one, young, old, and indifferent. We please those who can't please themselves. Try this store for your Holiday goods.

LADIES' WEAR.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Gloves, Ladies' Belts, Ladies' Neckwear, Ladies' Silk Hose, Ladies' Silk Petticoats, Ladies' Bed Room Slippers, Ladies' Coat Suits, Ladies' Cloaks, Ladies' Shirt Waist Fronts, Ladies' Hand Bags.

MEN'S WEAR.

Men's Handkerchiefs, Men's Ties, Men's Collars, Men's Mufflers, Men's Gloves, Men's Suspenders, Men's Hose Supporters, Men's Silk Half-Hose, Men's Dress Shirt, Men's Bed Room Slippers.

SUIT CASES.

Here you can find just the Suit Case you want at your own price from \$1.50 to \$15.00

Good line of Trunks in all sizes. Come and get our prices before you buy.

RUGS.

Big line of Rugs and Art Squares in all sizes, and you can buy these at Thomsons for less than others ask for them.

BLANKETS.

We are showing a big line of wool Blankets in all sizes in pink and blue borders, priced at \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.00 Pair.

Good line of Vases and China Salad Dishes and Cake Plates for holiday shoppers.

Good line of Dolls from 25c to \$1.50.

Thomson Merc. Co. GASTONIA, N. C.

Important Meeting 8 O'clock To-Night

The Gastonia Commercial Club will throw its doors open to-night to the citizens of Gastonia and vicinity, the purpose being to have a full and comprehensive discussion of the Interurban Trolley line proposition. Representatives of the Piedmont Traction Co. and the Southern Power Co. will be present to answer all questions in detail. Merchants and shippers are especially invited.



The Fateful Question For Your Own Sake

Examine closely the samples we are showing. They will give you an intelligent idea of our definition of value. It does not mean that you have to spend more money than you are now doing. It only means that you use discrimination in deciding where to have your clothing made. You no doubt think that having your suits made to measure is an expensive undertaking. Nothing of the kind. We can make them to your measure, in the latest cuts and cheaper than stock stuff. "Fit and quality" is our motto.

Frazier--Wetzell Co. No. 204 West Main Avenue :: Gastonia, N. C.

TOYS TOYS

Closing out below cost. See our line of toys before you buy

\$2.50 to \$3.00 Toilet Cases, closing out at .....\$2.00 \$1.75 Toilet Cases closing out at .....\$1.25 \$1.50 Toilet Cases closing out at .....\$1.00 \$2.00 Albums closing out at .....\$1.10 \$1.50 and \$1.75 Albums closing out .....\$1.00 \$1.00 Albums closing out at ..... 65c 50 cent Albums closing out at ..... 35c

All Kinds of Iron Toys

\$1.50 to \$2.00 Toys closing out at ..... 75c 35 to 50c Toys closing out at ..... 22c Doll Carriages for ..... 22c \$1.08 Dolls now .....\$1.00 \$1.00 Dolls now ..... .60c Tea Sets ..... 5c up Horns ..... 1c up 25c Vases closing out at ..... 10c 25c Opal Ware closing out at ..... 10c 15c Opal Ware closing out at ..... 10c

All Glass and China Ware now going below cost. Now is the time to get your Christmas presents and save money.

MYERS & TATE

We have just received a lot of Bracelets, Plain Locketts, Gold Link Buttons, Etc.--to fill up our stock on these goods, which makes our stock once more complete. See us before you purchase your Christmas gifts--it will pay you.

OUR MOTTO:

The Best Goods at the Lowest Price

H. M. Van Sleen

Expert Watch Repairing Artistic Engraving 113 West Main Avenue

IT PAYS--IT DOES.

Advertising in The Gazette Brings Results and Brings Them Quickly --Penny Column Best Medium for Quick Exchange--Two More Instances.

Yesterday morning about eleven o'clock Mr. E. O. Dewese, in charge of the Southern Power Company's sub-station here, called up The Gazette and said, "Please take out my ad. I've already had 35 or 40 applications and don't want any more."

The ad referred to ran one time, in last Friday's issue, cost Mr. Dewese 30 cents, and read as follows: WANTED, married man who is sober, reliable and not afraid of work, to take position at once. Apply to E. O. Dewese, Southern Power Company's Sub-Station, Gastonia, N. C. 23c 3.

In sending in the copy Mr. Dewese ordered the ad to be run three times but once brought nearly forty replies.

Mr. John Nivens, who lives at the Lorry, inserted the following ad in both issues of The Gazette last week:

FOR SALE: Good family horse, 6 years old, cheap. Apply to John Nivens, Lorry Mills.

Saturday, Mr. Nivens sent us word that he had sold the horse Friday and had received a number of inquiries Saturday after the animal had passed out of his hands.

Certainly it pays to advertise--if you put it in The Gazette.

If you have never tried it you don't know.

Suppose you try it and see. Phone No. 50.

Personals and Locals.

—For list of special Christmas exercises see page three.

—Mrs. A. E. McLurd and Mrs. J. W. Dellinger, of Stanley, are visiting Miss Carrie McLurd and Mr. E. G. McLurd.

—Rev. J. W. Query left Saturday for his home at Welford, S. C., after spending several days here with his sister, Mrs. Joseph Adams.

—Miss Anna Cloninger, daughter of Mrs. Levi Cloninger, and Mr. Lee Hudspeth were married at the home of the bride's mother, five miles from Dallas, last Wednesday.

—Mr. George Dover arrived several days ago from Marble, Minn., where he has been for the past several months, and will spend a month or two here with his father, Mr. Perry Dover.

—Miss Hallie Torrence is expected to arrive in Gastonia tonight from Spartanburg, S. C., where she is attending Converse College, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frost Torrence.

—News this afternoon from the bedside of County Court Clerk C. C. Cornwell, at Dallas, is to the effect that he is greatly improved, having rallied from the stroke of paralysis which he suffered Saturday morning. He had regained partial use of his right side, which was affected, and hopes to be out within the next few days.

—Messrs. J. E. and C. E. Huffstetler, of Lowell, route one, were in town Friday evening to meet their sons who came in on No. 40 Friday night from Westminster School, Rutherford county, to spend the Christmas holidays with homefolks. They are Mr. Howard Huffstetler, son of Mr. C. E. Huffstetler, and Mr. Quinn Huffstetler, son of Mr. J. E. Huffstetler. Others who came in from the same place at the same time were Messrs. Joe Patrick, Evans Sparrow, Lowery and George Wilson, of the Union section, and Mr. Foster Huffstetler, of Gastonia.

—One of the latest model cash registers, made by the National Cash Register Company, has just been installed by the Love Company. It is not only a handsome piece of furniture but furnishes one of the most complete checking systems imaginable. Each clerk in the store has a separate cash drawer for which there is a separate recording reel. Each purchase is recorded as a cash or credit transaction together with the amount and the clerk's number. It is a marvel of the inventor's genius. This register is operated by electricity and is illuminated with electric lights which come on whenever it is put into operation. It cost about \$700.

GASTONIA COTTON MARKET.

(Corrected semi-weekly by W. L. Balthis & Co., Cotton Brokers.) Good middling .....14 5-8 Strict middling .....14 1-2 Cotton seed ..... .42c

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient

WEALTHY WOMAN MURDERED.

Had No Faith in Banks and Was Killed For Her Savings.

Sistersville, W. Va., Dec. 2. — Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, aged 87 years, a wealthy widow, was found dead today at her home at Sherley near here. A large sum of money which she had in the house is missing, and the coroner is of the opinion she was strangled to death, after which the robbery was effected. Mrs. Allen lived alone and had no faith in banks. She owned considerable property, including several farms on which were producing oil wells. The money she received in royalties from these wells she kept in the house.

First National Bank

GASTONIA, N. C.

Gaston County's OLDEST and LARGEST Bank

Our Capital, Surplus and Profits DOUBLES That of Any Other Bank in the county

L. L. Jenkins, Prest., J. Lee Robinson, V-Pt., S. N. Boyce, Cashier.

Shop Early and Often

At

Thomson's

Don't delay your holiday shopping. Our goods are moving from this store every day. The earlier you shop at this store the better selection you have to choose from. Don't wait but shop here early and often.

Men's Wear

Men's Xmas Ties at ..... 50 and 75c Men's Silk Half-Hose at ..... 50c Pair. Men's Lisle Half-Hose at ..... 25c Pair. Men's Kid Gloves at ..... \$1.00 and \$1.50 Pr. Men's Suspenders at ..... 25c, 50c and 75c Men's Hose Supporters at ..... 25 and 50c Men's Silk Mufflers at ..... 50c, 75c and \$1.00 Men's Knit Mufflers at ..... .50c Each Men's Wool Gloves at ..... 25 and 50c Boys' Wool Gloves at ..... 25 and 50c Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at ..... 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c Ea.

Ladies' Wear

Ladies' Black Taffeta Silk Petticoats, Price ..... \$2.98 and \$5.00 Ladies' Kid Gloves, Price ..... \$1 and \$1.50 Ladies' Belts, Price ..... 25 and 50c Ladies' Hand Bags, Price ..... \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.50 Ladies' Neckwear at ..... 25 and 50c Ladies' Silk Hose, Price ..... .50c Pair Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, Price ..... 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Price ..... 15c, 25c and 50c Each Pillow Tops, Price ..... 25 and 50c Shams and Scarfs, Price ..... 20c, 50c, and \$1 Each Linen Dollies and Napkins, Price ..... \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$3.50 Doz.

House Furnishings

Big line of Rugs in all sizes and qualities going at special Holiday Prices.

Big line of Wool Blankets, Priced at ..... \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5 Pair

Trunks and Suit Cases

We are showing a large line of Trunks and Suit Cases for the Holiday trade. See Thomson's line before you buy.

Dolls

You will find a good line of dolls at Thomson's. Visit our up stairs department for Holiday goods. You will find them for both old and young at Thomson's.

Big line of Vases, Salad Bowls and Cake Plates at all prices to suit all Holiday Shoppers.

Make Thomson Mercantile Company's store your headquarters for your Holiday goods for the entire family and your friends. We please those who can't please themselves. Come and see!

Thomson Mercantile Co. Gastonia, N. C.



New Year is Close at Hand

How about that carriage of yours? Better send it here to be overhauled or repaired. We'll make a new carriage of it so that you can drive out on New Year with all the pride of new ownership. We can do anything from putting in a new spoke to remaking the entire carriage. "Moderate prices and thorough work" is our motto.

Robert C. Warren Near the Court House

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