

To the Public.

I have this day sold to Mr. E. B. Hackburn, the mercantile business carried on by me at No. 47 and 49 Pollock Street, New Bern, N. C., to whom all debts due to said business will be paid, and by whom all contracts made by said business will be filled and all debts due by said business will be paid on presentation. September 6th, 1899.

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I respectfully solicit from the general public a continuance of the very liberal patronage bestowed upon the retiring firm. I hope by faithful attention to business, coupled with close prices and honest goods to merit same. Yours Very Truly,

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Jno. Dunn,
POLLOCK STREET.

MUST PAY TAX.

New England Insurance Companies Must Pay Their Part.

How Russell Pardons Convicts. Difference of Opinion on the Asheville Suite, Burning Old Bonds, Victim of Fire A New Industry.

RALPH, September 15—It was stated a day or two ago, on the authority of Mr. John Kenney, of Charlotte, that a North Carolina mutual fire insurance company was being organized by manufacturers, through which the New England mutual insurance companies would do business.

Insurance Commissioner Young, who, after ten days illness, has returned from Henderson, said, regarding this matter: "You need not suppose we will let the New England mutuals continue to do business, either directly or indirectly, in this State. For the past 20 years they have been doing fully half the insurance of the cotton mills in this State, without paying a cent of tax. There is no reason why they should not pay revenue to the State as well as any other companies. They have been talking to me sometime about this matter. It is merely a question whether they pay the tax or not. There are companies which will do the insurance as cheaply and which pay the taxes, and so can these New England mutuals. I want to say further that there is paid annually \$75,000 in premiums on insurance on cotton exported from Wilmington and yet the State does not get a cent of revenue. Of course it is set up that the insuring is done in New York, but that is a mere pretence. It is really done here and the State ought to have the tax."

The very notable case of a white man named Barnes, who was convicted at Wilson of attempting to assault a young white woman whom he was driving home from church, and who was in jail here several months for safe-keeping, is no doubt yet fresh in the memory of the public. He was convicted and sentenced for a term of years. It appears that Governor Russell, in his usual secret style, pardoned him. And out of this grows another. Two newspaper men asked the Governor his reasons. To one he refused; to the other he gave. It only remains to be said that precious few newspaper men ever set foot in the executive office or even in the lair of the private secretary. This has been the case for many months.

One newspaper here says that the rail roads are beaten from the start in tax case before Judge Simonson; they are overwhelmed with affidavits; the other says the State's case literally falls down, upon the showing from the reports of the Auditor and Treasurer that other property is not taxed over two-thirds of its value. State Treasurer Worth said that his statement to this effect he felt sure was accurate and that he saw no reason to change it.

Good progress is being made on the extensive addition to the Institution for the Blind. The building looks far more attractive.

A convict from Watauga county was brought to the penitentiary today to serve a six year term for manslaughter.

The new scenery for the Academy of Music is in place.

The Council of the State met today and officially witnessed the burning of a number of State bonds, sum \$75,000, for which new bonds have been issued.

The crop of field peas in this section is the largest ever planted.

A distressing affair occurred Thursday night at the Charlotte Hotel in Charlotte. Mr. H. A. Tucker, of Wilmington was the unfortunate victim. A lamp exploded in the room in which he was sleeping, setting the bed on fire, and burning Mr. Tucker so badly that it is feared he cannot recover.

Statesville has a new industry to add to her other numerous manufacturing interests. Mr. J. A. Justice is manufacturing a very fine quality of unglazed tile. He has shown samples which for beauty and finish is equal to any manufactured in the North.

One of the convicts sent to Forsyth county from Wilkes is a young dentist. While intoxicated he stole a shirt, for which he was sent to the county roads for 60 days. He brought his "tools" with him.

There's always hope while there's One Minute Cough Cure. "An attack of pneumonia left my lungs in bad shape and I was near the first stages of consumption. One minute Cough Cure completely cured me," writes Helen McHenry, Blauvelt, N. D. Gives instant relief. F. S. Duffy.

Big Railroads Unite.

RUNSWICK, Sept. 15—It is now settled that the Seaboard Air Line system will form an alliance with the Baltimore and Ohio railway for a big through route from the North to Florida points, and thus fight the Pennsylvania and Southern roads for through business.

BE SURE that your blood is rich and pure. The best blood purifier, sweeter and whiter in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Be sure to GET HOOD'S.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ABSOLUTELY PURE
Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

CHALLENGED ESTERHASY.

A South Carolinian Challenges His Defense. Against the Law.
COLUMBIA, S. C., September 14—A challenge was called to Count Esterhazy this morning which may not result in a meeting on the field of honor, but if the laws of this State are enforced the challenger will be brought before a jury on a charge which, in case of conviction, will send him to prison. At any rate, he can never hold public office within this State.

Paul E. Ayer, who was a sergeant in the First South Carolina Volunteers during the Spanish war, called today to Esterhazy in London:

Sir: Believing you to be answerable for the misery and humiliation of Captain Dreyfus, of the French Army, and Captain Dreyfus not being able to call on you personally, for satisfaction I, as an American, free-born, loving liberty, do volunteer in my own right to meet you on the field of honor in behalf of Captain Dreyfus at any time and place agreeable to you. Respectfully,
PAUL E. AYER,
Anderson, S. C.

In South Carolina it is as unlawful to send a challenge or carry a challenge for a friend as it is to fight a duel. The regular prescribed oath which all persons take on going into office contains a clause stating that they have not fought a duel, sent or carried a challenge since 1881, the year in which the anti dueling law was passed. Even if a man should not be convicted by a jury of violating the law, he is disfranchised by sending a challenge.

VIEWED THE OCEANIC.

Many Special Visitors Inspect the Big Ship. A Vast Affair.

NEW YORK, September 14—There was a private view for the press of the new White Star steamship Oceanic today.

The gigantic vessel lay at her North river pier and neighboring ones were crowded throughout the day with a throng of sight-seers. Only the invited few were permitted to make a closer acquaintance with this leviathan of the deep.

Under their guidance the visitors went over the ship from fore-castle to steerage from bridge to hold. Among the innovations are appliances in the system of lighting and ventilating, and water supply, and countless little aids to comfort in the saloons, smoking rooms and libraries.

In the galleys were found a score of ingenious devices to perfect the process of preparing the elaborate menus of the vessel. They were clockwork automations for boiling, broiling and roasting. There were steam, electric, coal and charcoal furnaces, all arranged with compactness and neatness.

This great vessel, which arrived in Liverpool from the hands of her builders August 26, was 22 months in building and cost nearly \$5,000,000. She has seven decks, all steel, and would rise, if placed in the street, above the roofs of six-story buildings. Several of the late arriving visitors paid tribute to the size of the Oceanic by getting lost in the labyrinth of staterooms.

Luncheon was served in the main saloon and each guest was presented with a souvenir menu card decorated with a photographic view of scenes and ships associated with the history of the White Star Line.

"They are simply perfect," writes Robt. Moore, of La Fayette, Ind., of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the "famous little pills" for constipation and all liver ailments. Never gripe. F. S. Duffy.

Reply Not Made Public.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—The Transvaal reply to the last note of the British Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Chamberlain has been received, but its nature is not yet known.

At the Colonial Office, a reporter of the Associated Press was informed that nothing will be given out for the present.

It was regarded as significant however that the nature of the Boer reply was communicated to the commander-in-chief, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers permanently cure chronic constipation, biliousness, nervousness and worn-out feeling; cleanse and regulate the entire system. Small, pleasant, never gripe or sicken— "famous little pills" F. S. Duffy.

Debt Of Six Billion.

PARIS, Sept. 14.—The French budget for 1900 shows an increase in the estimated expenditure of 45,000,000 francs about \$9,000,000.

The national debt amounts to thirty milliards, about \$3,000,000,000.

Chester H. Brown, Kalamazoo, Mich., says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cured me of a severe case of indigestion; can strongly recommend it to all dyspeptics." Digest what you eat without aid from the stomach, and cure dyspepsia. F. S. Duffy.

Philadelphia Exposition Opened.
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 14—President McKinley, in the White House in Washington, at 2:15 o'clock today pressed a telegraph key, the machinery started and the National Export Exposition in this city was formally opened.

There were no ceremonies at the White House. The ceremonies at the Exposition Building were unostentatious. At the conclusion of the exercises the auditorium was thrown open to the public and prominent guests inspected the buildings, grounds and exhibits.

Tired Of Yangkee Rule.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 14—Mail advices received at the War Department from Manila state that the natives of the Iloilo and Samar are praying for the speedy advent of the Americans and will welcome the hoisting of the American flag. It is said that as a result of the forcible collection of taxes by emissaries of the insurgents who take all they have, the natives are in a state of semi-starvation. They have no faith in the Tagalos, and they earnestly desire American protection.

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