









# TO FURTHER REDUCE STOCK. We Have Slaughtered Prices.

WHICH CORRESPONDENCE EXPLAINS ITSELF.

GREENVILLE, N. C., March 4th, 1905.

When we have received considerable financial relief from our overstocked stores and maturing obligations, you have anticipated for us since February 1st, we are still in an unpleasant and overstocked position. We are, therefore, glad to hear of the merchant and shall be pleased to employ you to map out a further course for us. If you can be able to dispose of the remaining lots of choice merchandise and enable us to get the quickest relief at the earliest possible moment before receiving Spring Shipments which we have agreed to make. Please give this your best efforts and let us hear from you at once.

Yours very truly,

C. T. MUNFORD

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 7, 1905.

Mr. C. T. Munford,  
Greenville, N. C.,  
Dear Mr. Munford:-

Your communication of the 4th is before us at present. Low prices and holding back the cotton crop from market has placed hundreds of Solid Southern Merchants in just your position. The only course we can advise is to throw your entire stock on the market at prices so low you can dispose of the stock quickly and take the sacrifice best you can. Holding together thousands of dollars of idle merchandise means final ruin to any merchant. Advise diligently give your customers the best of values. Thereby protecting both you and your customers' interest. With best wishes for your success. We remain,

Respectfully yours,

WOOD BROTHERS.

New York Sales Conductors.

Here is a Few of the Many Bargains we are Offering to you:

SHOES	WHITE GOODS	UNDERWEAR
A Saving of from 50c to \$1 per Pair	Fancy Linens, Lawns etc cheap	50c kind 30c
CLOTHING	UNDERSKIRTS	25c kind 15c
A new line clothing will be closed out at startling prices	\$2.50 kind \$1.69	Quilts and Comforts.
MEN'S PANTS	1.75 kind 1.19	\$1.50 Blankets must go at \$1.00
Shirts, etc. at this sale 25c	DRESS GOODS	DRESS SKIRTS
EMBROIDERIES	Many stylish pattern to select from at one-third off	All remaining styles at one-half price
Lowest prices at lowest price.	BOYS KNEE PANTS	DRESS SHIRTS
	75c and \$1 kind All offered	\$1 kind to close at 39c

C. T. MUNFORD,  
Main Street  
Greenville, N. C.

## DOES A BABY PAY?

One Rectorius Little Hug Wipes Out His Own.

"Does a three-year-old baby pay for itself up to the time it reaches that interesting age?" asked an auditor whose words are among the "best offered." "Sometimes I think not, I thought not yesterday when my own baby slipped into my study and scribbled the paper and his white dress with my ink of ink, and again later in the day when he passed 30 cents' worth of postage stamps on the paper with his pointed stick's worth of the choicest white paper perfunctory out of the window to see it value."

"He has already cost me more than \$100 in doctors' bills, and I feel that I am right in maintaining my own baby in the study. I colored within the floor with him at night during the first year and a half of his life."

"What has he ever done to pay for that?"

"Well, I hear his little feet patter along out in the hall. I hear his little hands of laughter because he has escaped from his mother and has found his way up to my study at a forbidden hour. But the door is closed. The mother's little hands (and can't get in and I won't open it for him. No, I won't. I can't be disturbed when I'm writing. He can just cry if he wants to. I won't be bothered for—'Rat, rat, rat,' on his disgraced knees, on the floor, but in silence. 'Rat, rat, rat.' I sit perfectly still."

"That's all?"

"No reply."

"Come, papa?"

"Come, papa?"

"I shall not come in."

"I shall not."

"Papa," says the little voice, "I love my papa. Papa let him in."

"I am not a brute, and I throw open the door. In he comes, with outstretched little arms, with shining eyes, with laughing face. I catch him up, and his warm, soft little arms go around my neck, the not very clean little cheek is laid close to mine, the baby voice says sweetly: 'I love my papa.'"

"Does he pay? Well, I guess he does! He has cost me many anxious days and nights. He has cost me time, money and care and self-sacrifice. He has cost me pain and sorrow. He has cost me much. But he has paid for it all again and again in what perching those four little words into my ears."—New York Press.

## His Awful Threat.

A Tennessee congressman tells of the financial straits of a man in his state who, saddled with a large and unproductive farm, was compelled to add to his slender resources by taking up the practice of law in Memphis.

During a tour of inspection the farmer-lawyer was one day making of his white elephant he was mandated to the point of frenzy by chance to run across several of his field hands, calmly noting under a tree singing away for dear life.

"Here, you black rascals!" he shouted, shaking his fist at the culprits. "Get back to work this instant! The best thing you dummies know I'll put the law and let you all starve!"

## Fowl Play on Words.

"With all due respect, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

"Thank you, I see."

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