

Ricks & Wilkinson

Dissolution Sale!

On January 1st, 1903, we will dissolve co-partnership, and from now until then we will offer our entire stock of high grade Merchandise at greatly reduced prices. Our stock of Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing, Hats, etc., will be sold at and below cost. We have on hand a large stock of Fine Clothing that must suffer the severest cuts. Thanking all our friends and customers for their most liberal patronage in the past, we are, yours respectfully,

Ricks & Wilkinson

This winter air

Is a reminder that the holiday season is here. I am ready for it with an attractive line of

HOLIDAY GOODS

The very handsomest assortment to be found has been selected especially for my holiday trade.

Pictures are prettier than ever and I have an almost endless assortment of them, suitable for parlor, bed room, dining room, hall, library or cozy corner.

China and Bisque Ware Hundreds of new designs that are both ornamental and serviceable. You will like these.

Cut Glass, Silver and Jewelry, Our magnificent line from H. Mahlee's Sons, Raleigh, whose fame for Cut Glass, Silverware and Jewelry extends throughout the State. You will see nothing prettier.

Taken all through I have never had a better holiday stock that can be found at my store this season. Come early and make your selection.

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CAREFUL attention to details in our Job Department is shown in the high class of work we are turning out. We have the best equipped office and do a class of printing hardly equalled in this section. If you are particular as to the quality of your printing, we want your work. We give you the best.

THE STATE PRESS

News and Opinions.

The Sheriff Got The Cent.
Rutherfordton, N. C., Dec. 10.—Sheriff E. A. Martin, who is serving his third term as sheriff of this county, in looking over his account last week, found that Mr. Bryan Martin, living in Duncau's Creek township, owed him a balance of one cent on his taxes. He promptly made out a statement for the amount and mailed him, which cost, of course, a two cent stamp, paper and envelope. Mr. Martin upon receipt of the statement, enclosed a one cent piece in a letter, registered it, and mailed to the sheriff, demanding a receipt by return mail, which the sheriff promptly sent him.

Sheriff Martin lost in the transaction three cents, besides paper and envelopes, and Mr. Martin twelve cents besides the paper and envelopes.—News and Observer.

What Kin?
Residing in Sioux Falls, S. D., is a woman with two sets of children, she having been married twice and divorced from both husbands. In the same town is a man, also with two sets of children, he having been twice married and divorced. This couple is to be married as soon as the statutory limitation of six months has expired. Now the question is what relation will these four sets of children be to each other and to the fifth set following this marriage if there should be any.—Wilmington Messenger.

A Good Suggestion.
The game laws of the state should be amended by the next general assembly. A month should be deducted from the season and greater protection thrown about birds during the closed season. A more stringent trespass law should also be enacted. North Carolina is a natural paradise for hunters, and it will remain so for years if reasonable precaution is taken.—Greensboro Patriot.

A nice Little Present.
Mr. Carnegie's Christmas present to his little daughter will be the palatial residence in New York which he has spent four years in building, at a cost of \$2,500,000. On that day the deed for the house and the bills of sale for its contents will be turned over to her and she will become absolute owner of the magnificent residence with her father as trustee.—Wilmington Messenger.

It took the House of Representatives only ten minutes to read and pass the pensions appropriations bill calling for \$139,800,000. It passed without discussion. Of course, pensions are some of the things the satesman don't discuss these days. They are privileged loot.—Wilmington Star.

Recent events show that the peanut politician has survived the amendment and the independent movement.—Durham Herald.

We have just opened the prettiest and most useful line of goods in silver, china, pictures &c that we have ever shown, see them before they are picked over.
Wooten's Drug Store.

Confidential—Any young man or young lady wanting to make a special order for a Christmas present should see E. E. Griffin in the next few days. Don't wait too late.

ROCKEFELLER PLANS BIG THINGS FOR EDUCATION.

Millions to be Devoted to Uplifting the Masses Regardless of Race, Sex or Creed.

Washington, Dec. 10.—A movement in the interest of education exceeding in magnitude the munificent gift of Andrew Carnegie for the Carnegie institute has been quietly planned by John D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil king, and will become a reality within a short time. Already a bill incorporating the "general education board" has passed both houses of Congress, and within a few days will be sent to the president for his signature.

While many of the details of the movement are withheld for the present it is known that Mr. Rockefeller intends to endow the new institution with probably more than the \$10,000,000 donated to the Carnegie institute for the advancement of scientific research.

Furthermore, it is not his desire that the institution should become a one man affair, as other millionaires and trust magnates have signified their intention of contributing to a fund that will make the "general education board" the means of exploiting the greatest educational movement in the history of the world. Unlike the Carnegie gift, the purpose is not to explore the unknown realms of science, but rather to make practical the dissemination of knowledge among the people. The headquarters of the board will be in this city.

For several years past Mr. Rockefeller has been a liberal contributor to schools, colleges, universities and educational institutions throughout the country, and the immense sums to be made available will be placed in the hands of a board, whose education and training fit them for the task of apportioning money to institutions deserving of help.

The bill under which the fund will be operated passed the Senate last April and the House Thursday last. It incorporates the general educational board. William H. Baldwin, Jr., J. L. M. Curry, Frederic L. Gates, Daniel C. Gilman, Morris K. Jessup, Robert C. Ogden, Walter H. Page, George Foster Peabody and Albert Shaw being named as trustees and incorporators. The object of the board as set forth in the bill is the promotion of education within the United States without distinction of race, sex or creed.

The board is further granted authority, for the promotion of its objects, to build, improve, enlarge or equip buildings for elementary or primary schools, industrial, technical, normal schools, training schools for teachers or schools of any grade, or for higher institutions of learning.

Senator Aldrich today admits that it is Mr. Rockefeller's purpose to make a munificent donation to the cause of education, but that his information on the subject had been in confidence, and therefore he was not at liberty to give any of the details.—Raleigh Post.

If you feel ill and need a pill Why not purchase the best? DeWitt's Early Risers Are little surprisers, Take one—they do the rest. W. F. Howell, Houston, Tex., writes—I have used Little Early Risers Pills in my family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family.

Something nice for Christmas presents are the handsome watches and rings at E. E. Griffin's.

Boys' Overcoats

THAT BOY

Will be out of doors this Winter— why not get him good warm Winter Clothes and let him go it? There's lots of fun for him out of doors— don't keep him in.

We have Overcoats, Reefers, Caps, Mittens and everything he'll want to keep him comfortable. All the new styles and kinks in children's wear are here. Come in and see how nicely we can fit the boy out and how little we'll charge you for doing it. All sizes from 4 to 20 years.

FRANK WILSON,
The King Clothier.

WOULDN'T SEE INNOCENT MAN SUFFER

Unusual Case in the Federal Court— Some Notable Suits.

During the trial of J. D. Johnson for illicit distilling yesterday in the federal court there was quite an unusual and rather sensational occurrence. Another man by the name of G. T. Lee came into open court and volunteered as a witness in behalf of the defendant, and being called to the witness stand swore that Johnson was an innocent defendant and that he was the man who ran the blockade still on said Johnson's laud. When questioned as to his course he stated that he did not want to see an innocent man suffer or punished for his violation of the law. Of course a verdict of not guilty was entered in the case of Johnson.—Raleigh Post.

A Fable of Today.

Once upon a time two boys, John and William, applied to a man for a job.

"Open those," said the man, pointing to some parcels.

The boys, eager to prove their fitness, fell to work. John untied the string, rolled it into a nice ball removed the paper carefully lest he tear it, and folded it up neatly. William cut the string, tore off the paper, and threw both in the waste basket.

While John was opening one parcel, William was opening eleven.

The man hired John. "It is true," said he that the age of small economies is past, but the fact remains that every little makes a mickle and a mickle is all I want. I'm no hog."

This fable teaches that some fables are more fabulous than others.—Puck.

A glass or two of water taken half an hour before breakfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a purgative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action. For sale by Wooten's Drug Store, Greenville, Farmville Pharmacy, Farmville.

Compare prices on Christmas presents at other places, then go to E. E. Griffin's and he will be sure to sell you.

PERSONAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People Met With in the Social World

Clarence Jeffers came in Thursday evening.

J. S. Tunstall returned home Thursday.

Snowdy Cox went to Kinston Thursday evening.

C. J. Rivenbark spent Thursday night in Greenville.

W. F. Harding spend Thursday night in Winterville.

Elder and Mrs. M. T. Lawrence, of Hamilton, were in town today.

Mrs. J. F. Kemp, of Jamesville, who has been visiting Mrs. Ed Taft, returned home today.

Large Sales.

Tobacco sales have been very lively this week. It is remarkable that so much tobacco keeps coming in, even if the price is low, and not a great amount of complaint is heard among the farmers.

Madame Amee, the palmist, is having a rush of callers at the Hunter house, and is telling them some wonderful things.

Prettiest line of silverware ever shown in Greenville, elegant selections for Christmas and wedding presents, at E. E. Griffin's.

Catching Mice.

A customer went into a store the other day and looked around for a clerk, says the Chariton, Iowa, Herald. He was in a hurry, but there was no clerk in sight. After a while some one called up from the cellar. "Hallo up there! Want something?"

"Yes, and I'm in a hurry, too," he called back.

"Well, we'll be up in a little while. We're catching mice."

And the customer waited a few minutes and then walked out to another store.

Some merchants in other towns are catching mice while their competitors are advertising and hustling for the business in a modern way, and are getting it.

Newspaper advertising is simply letting your neighbor know what you have to sell and what you ask for it.

The Daily Reflector.

D. J. WHICHARD, Editor.
W. A. B. HEARNE, Associate Editor.

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Entered at the post office at Greenville, N. C., as second class mail matter.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

One year, \$3.00
One month, .25
Due week, .10
Delivered in town by carriers without extra cost

Advertising rates are liberal and can be had on application to the editor, or at the office.

We desire a live correspondent at every post office in the county, who will send in brief items of news as it occurs in each neighborhood. Write plainly and only on one side of the paper.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1902.

Wonder if Mr. Nast ever saw the joke in the jack-box?

That long haired Russian knows how to take a mean advantage of a dead woman, as he probably does of a live one.

It has probably dawned upon Mr. Bishop, of Petersburg, that he was rather hasty in the selection of an argument to prove himself a gentleman.

Some level headed fellow advised the hands-off policy for the democrats in regard to the Wilson postmastership. If the hint had been taken of course several gentlemen would have been able to keep their feet out of it.

The Wilson News says, "The only objection to Sam Vick is his color." Not a word about race or previous condition of servitude. Will someone kindly pass this along to Mr. Roosevelt? The president seems to be open to conviction. This ought to convict him.

In looking over a list, published in the North Carolina Baptist, of Fayetteville, showing the saloon situation in North Carolina, we find the following facts: The number of counties having no saloons at all is 46, number with saloons 43, number with dispensaries 10. The total number of saloons in the State is 483, total number of dispensaries 13. Only two counties in the State have more saloons than Pitt—these are New Hanover 68, Wake 27. Pitt has 25, and one other county, Halifax, has the same number.

The apologists for the tobacco trust continue to ascribe the big drop in prices to other than the real cause, which is the merging of the American and Imperial trusts, says the Raleigh News and Observer.

It is well to locate the cause for these annual fluctuations. Tobacco has been going up and dropping with a dull thud sufficiently often in former years to make marketing quite a problem to the producer. We do not remember just what causes the going up was attributed to, outside of an occasional short crop, but the American Tobacco Company figured quite prominently in the dull thud. It is a relief to be able to charge our present woes to the British-American. It varies the monotony, and enables us to work the English in with Benny & Co. That's much more satisfactory.

In coming to the conclusion that he is being made the victim of a political game by our politicians the president hits the nail squarely on the head. And both sides are working the game for all that there may be in it.—Durham Herald.

SILVER TO BE KICKED OUT.

Gold Standard for all Countries on the Globe—That, it is Expected, Will be the Result of Adjusting Philippine Currency.

A subject that at present is receiving the earnest consideration of the Congress leaders to the exclusion of almost everything else including the problem of regulating the trusts, is that of the Philippines currency. It is admitted by the financial experts of the Senate and House and of the administration as well that the recent fall in the price of silver has brought about a crisis that must be met at once by legislation.

Senator Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee, and Senator Allison, also a member of that committee and chairman of the sub-committee which framed the present Philippine coinage law, had a talk with the president today and later held an extended conference at the capitol.

The Philippines currency problem was very fully considered in the light of the unsatisfactory situation at manilla and a critical analysis made of the currency bill of the Philippines commission, now pending in the Senate and House committees.

Gen. Wright, of the Philippines commission, appeared before the House committee today, and tomorrow will be heard by the Senate committee in advocacy of this measure. It is the opinion of the financial authorities, however, that no legislation of a permanent character can be wisely enacted at the present time.

The recent fall in the price of silver, disorganizing, as it did, the currency system in all the silver-using countries, renders serious action imperative, but whatever permanent plan of legislation is agreed upon will be so far reaching in its effects that it has been determined to enact only a temporary measure at this session of Congress.


It is regarded as all-important that in the settlement of this subject the United States should have the co-operation of all the silver-using countries, including Mexico, China, India and the Straits Settlements. It is understood that Mexico has already made overtures through diplomatic channels and the co-operation of other silver-using countries is relied upon.

China, it is said, is giving serious consideration to the problem, as that country is responsible for the fall in the price of silver, having become a seller of the metal in place of being a buyer, and no permanent system can be affected without her active co-operation. The paramount importance of this is the real reason for the decision of the leaders to go slow in enacting a permanent currency law. The ultimate result of whatever legislation is enacted will be, it is thought, the adoption of the gold standard by all countries now using silver.

The members of the finance committee, including those who framed the present Philippine currency law at the last session, which took the form of an amendment to the civil government bill, look with no favor now upon a gold standard measure which passed the House last session than they did then. They are, in fact, entirely reconciled to its defeat, and say that if it had become a law it would have compelled the government in the present crisis to pay one gold dollar for two silver dollars that are now worth 37 cents each.

For the present, various expedients are being considered with which to tide over until the next Congress shall act. The most popular of these makeshifts and the one which may be adopted within the next few days, provides authority for the Philippine commission to fix the exchange value of silver at Manilla daily.—Charlotte Observer.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This signature  on every box, 25c.

C. T. Munford's Big Store,

242 and 244 W. Main St., Greenville, N. C.

Children's Hosiery, 5c.

Worth 8c. Slight "seconds," hence this low price, but they will wear well. Fine one-and one ribbed hosiery, made of fast black cotton.

Men's Heavy Sox 8c.

worth 10 and 12, only

Good Toilet Soap, 25c.

worth 25c. box, 3 cakes only

HOMESPUN,

Good Round Thread 4c. Yd. Homespun,

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"Yards of Flowers" of all descriptions; also fruits. Size 36 1/2 x 10 1/2 inches, in 1 1/2 inch gilt frames, with large brass corners. Second floor.

Women's Fleeced Lined Union Suits, extra heavy, 25c. suit

50 dozen Ladies' All Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 5c.

Large sized Rug, 38 x 80 inches, 98c.

Extra Large Double White Bed Blankets, 79c. pair

Extra weight, extra size Bed Comforts, Reversible \$1.39

All Linen knotted, fringed and hemstitched Damask Towels, worth 40 and 50c. our price, 25c.

Large Size Absorbent Bath Towels, full bleaches, 15c.

MILLINERY

Trimmed Hats and Trimming, fine and stylish things for the most ridiculous prices you ever heard of, the sort that gained and maintained Munford's reputation for lo these many months. There are Hats and Toques ana Bonnets, and the reductions run something like this: Munford's \$5.00 Pattern Hats can be had for \$3.98, and so on. Go the Millinery show room on the first floor and see for yourself what lovely styles we are showing at 1.50, 2.50, 3.00, 4.50 and 5.50.

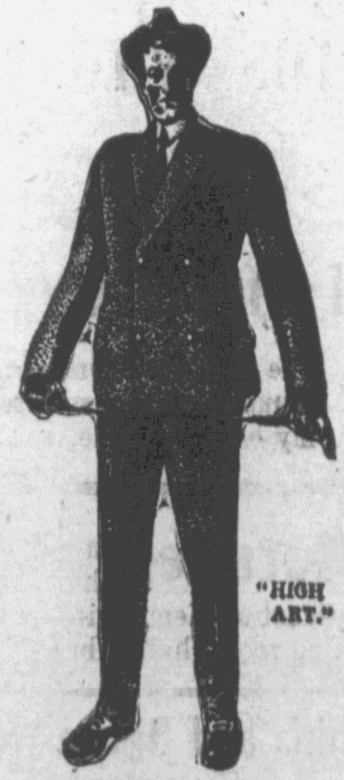
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Special Attractions for Christmas Week.



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C. T. Munford's The Big Store

242 and 244 W. Main St., Greenville, N. C.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

SCHEDULES
AUGUST 1th, 1902.

No.	Daily Except Sunday	No.
7:30 a m	Lv Kinross Ar	6:45 p m
8:30 a m	" Greenville "	5:47 p m
9:05 a m	" Parmele "	5:07 p m
10:00 a m	" Hobgood "	4:27 p m
11:00 a m	Ar Pender Lv	3:35 p m
11:20 a m	" Weldon "	3:15 p m
1:00 p m	Ar Norfolk Lv	9:00 a m
6:44 p m	Ar Petersburg Lv	7:47 a m
7:45 p m	" Richmond "	9:05 a m
11:40 p m	" Washington "	4:30 a m
7:15 a m	" New York "	9:25 p m

FLORIDA.

No.	Daily Except Sunday	No.
35		23
Lv Rocky Mount	10:37 p m	1:05 p m
Ar Columbia		10:55 p m
" Augusta	8:25 a m	
" Charleston	8:17 a m	11:15 p m
" Savannah	8:32 a m	3:00 a m
" Jacksonville	1:15 p m	8:30 a m
" Tampa	10:00 p m	7:10 a m
" Thomasville		10:50 a m
" Montgomery		6:20 p m

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CHURCHES

BAPTIST.—Services every Sunday, morning and evening. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening. Rev. J. N. Booth, pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. M. A. Allen superintendent.

METHODIST.—Services every Sunday, morning and evening. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening. Rev. H. M. Eure, pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. L. H. Pender, superintendent.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Services third Sunday, morning and evening. Sunday school 10 a. m. E. B. Ficklen superintendent.

EPISCOPAL.—Rev. W. E. Cox, Minister. Morning and evening prayer with sermon every 1st and 3rd Sunday. Lay services every 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., W. B. Brown, superintendent. Litany every Wednesday 10 a. m.

CHRISTIAN.—Preaching second, and fourth Sunday in each month. Prayer-meeting Wednesday night. Rev. D. W. Davis, pastor. Sunday school 3:00 P. M., W. R. Parser, superintendent.

CATHOLIC.—No regular services.

LODGES

A. F. & A. M.—Greenville Lodge, No. 284, meets first and third Monday evening. R. Williams W. M., J. M. Reuss, Sec.

K. of P.—Tar River Lodge, No. 93, meet every Wednesday evening. W. H. Dail, C. C.; T. M. Hooker, K. of R. and S.

I. O. O. F.—Covenant Lodge, No. 17, meets every Tuesday evening. W. S. Atkins, N. G., D. D. Overton, Sec.

R. A.—Zeb Vance Council, No. 1896, meets every Thursday evening. W. B. Wilson, Secretary, J. S. Tunstall, Regent.

A. O. A.—Egyptian Council, No. 6, meet every first and third Thursday night in Odd Fellows Hall. J. Z. Gardner, Worthy Heif; D. S. Smith, Sec.

I. O. H.—Greenville Conclave No. 540, meets every second and fourth Monday night in Odd Fellows Hall. W. B. Wilson Archon D. S. Smith Sec.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Clerk Superior Court, D. C. Moore.
Sheriff, O. W. Harrington.
Register of Deeds, B. Williams.
Treasurer, J. B. Cherry.
Coroner, C. O'H. Laughinghouse.
Surveyor, J. D. Cox.
Commissioners, J. J. Elks, W. W. R. Horne, J. R. Barnhill, J. W. Page and J. Spier.
Board meets every first Monday.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Mayor, H. W. Whedbee,
Treasurer, H. L. Carr.
Clerk, J. C. Tyson.
Tax Collector, C. D. Rountree.
Police, J. T. Smith chief, W. H. McGowan and S. I. Dudley.
Aldermen, D. S. Spain, L. C. Arthur, Charles Cobb, B. F. Patrick, E. B. Ficklen, R. L. Carr, W. R. Parker and B. F. Tyson.
Board meets every first Thursday night.

Dr. D. L. James,

Dental Surgeon,
Greenville, N. C.

How to Prevent Croup.

It will be good news to the mothers of small children to learn that croup can be prevented. The first sign of croup is hoarseness. A day or two before the attack the child becomes hoarse. This is soon followed by a peculiar rough cough. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the rough cough appears, and it will dispel all symptoms of croup. In this way all danger and anxiety may be avoided. This remedy is used by many thousands of mothers and has never been known to fail. It is, in fact, the only remedy that can always be depended upon and that is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Wooten's Drug Store, Greenville, Farmville Pharmacy, Farmville.

The fruit of egotism. The apple of your eye.

A Timely Suggestion.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful house wife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by Wooten's Drug Store, Greenville, Farmville Pharmacy, Farmville.

Even the honest farmer will water his stock.

A Cold Wave.

A forecast of a sudden change in the weather serves notice that a hoarse voice and a heavy cough may invade the sanctity of health in your own home. Cautious people have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure always at hand. E. H. Wise, Madison, Ga., writes: "I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my present good health, and probably my life." It cures Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and all Throat and Lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes the mucous membranes and strengthens the lungs.

Whispers lead a kind of hand to mouth existence.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion, try a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seitz, of Detroit, Mich., says, "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." There are people in this community who need just such a medicine. For sale by Wooten's Drug Store, Greenville, Farmville Pharmacy, Farmville. Every box warranted.

A deaf mute, it is said, is not a man of his word.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.

Digests all classes of food, tones and strengthens the stomach and digestive organs. Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Stomach Troubles, and makes rich red blood, health and strength. Kodol rebuilds wornout tissues, purifies, strengthens and sweetens the stomach. Gov. G. W. Atkinson, of W. Va., says: I have used a number of bottles of Kodol and have found it to be a very effective and, indeed, a powerful remedy for stomach ailments. I recommend it to my friends. J. L. Wooten.

The position of a judge is an exceedingly trying one.

Nothing is more liable to cause loss of appetite than eating.

What's in a Name.

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, discovered, some years ago, how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for piles. For Blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. J. L. Wooten.

SAVED BY A WOMAN'S LOVE

(Original.)

A cavalier in Louis XV. costume was strolling about among the guests of a fancy dress ball. There was something attractive in his appearance. Whether it was in his graceful figure (his face was masked) or the lightness of his step or the air of one to the manner born no one could say, but the fact remained that there was something about him to excite admiration and curiosity. Among others a lady robed in the period of Venetian supremacy stood looking at him, and one could see interest in her attitude if not in her masked face.

"May I crave my lady's hand for a dance?" said the man to her.

"With pleasure," replied the lady in a low voice.

"Come; let us go into the winter garden," he said after the dance. "It is insufferably hot here, and I dislike a crowd."

When they were screened behind a miniature forest of tropical trees, the man's manner suddenly changed.

"Would you know who I am?" he said. "I am what the highwayman of two centuries ago was at that time. I do not play my pranks on the road. I levy contributions in the palaces of the rich—"

"Where youth and beauty meet To chase the glowing hours with flying feet."

"I'll trouble you for that ring?" The woman stood motionless for a time. Whether she was paralyzed from fright or was deciding what to do could not be detected since her face was covered. Presently she said:

"Listen to me a moment and the ring is yours. It is only lately that I came to live in the city. I was once a country girl. There was a boy in our village, a daring, reckless spirit, forever in mischief, and had he been a soldier he would have found his vocation. When he was twenty, he became an actor. I remember the day I parted with him when he went on his first theatrical tour. I had long before given my heart to the wild spirit that everybody loved, admired, yet at whom all shook their heads and said, 'He'll some day come to grief.' I begged him to curb his passion for excitement, to study his chosen profession, to be content with what success he was sure to gain on the stage, for he had remarkable talent. He took me in his arms and confided to me that he feared his love for reckless deeds would kill all steady effort, but for my sake he would try to avoid the one and cling to the other.

"He made alternate successes and failures. Every success was followed by some wild freak, some desperate adventure. One engagement after another was canceled, and at last he was forced to abandon legitimate endeavor and gave himself wholly to—"

She bent her head and buried her face in her hands.

The masked face before her looked at her with a blank stare, rigid as marble. When she stopped speaking, the man said:

"At our birth fate marks our courses. To some it gives the power of becoming merchants, professional men, laborers—all that is honorable even if unprofitable. They are the fixed stars. Others must be moving, now forward, now backward, never steady, always starting in an unexpected direction. They are the planets. Both follow the courses marked out for them. Your friend, your lover, was doomed from his birth. If he could have been saved, you would have saved him."

"Oh, Alan, had I not recognized you at once under your disguise I would know you the moment you began to speak! Why must one so gifted be dragged down by an unconquerable defect?"

He stood mute, immovable. He had selected his good angel for robbery. His decisions were like lightning, and like lightning he decided that the moment he could do so without involving her he would send a bullet through his brain. It was the woman who still hoped.

"Alan, try again. Go to some country where you are not known. Live a steady life for five years."

"And then?"

"And then? Send for me." Again there was a silence. A tremor passed over the man, then a wave of resolution. Was it only a wave?

"Mary, sweetheart, for your sake I will make this trial."

He moved away. There was no one to see behind the plants, and she showed him by her movement that she would encourage him with a kiss. He put her away.

"I am still above permitting such a sacrifice," he said. "Farewell. If I fail, I will send you a bullet; if I succeed, a heart."

It was four years and six months after that eventful meeting that Mary Drayton received a small package by express. She knew that it contained one of two tokens, and since the five years had not yet passed she dreaded lest she had received a bullet, an emblem of suicide. Tremblingly she took off the wrapper and revealed a paper box. She dared not lift the lid for a time and only did so when it occurred to her that the weight was slight. There, nestling in cotton, was something wrapped in tissue paper. Unfolding it, she held in her hand a gold heart.

Soon after a letter came from Alan Stanley from Australia bearing the news that he was a prosperous sheep raiser. His talents had made him prominent, and he held an important office under the government. He did not ask the woman who had saved him to come to him, but left it optional with her to permit him to come to her. She fulfilled her promise.

ANITA WALSH M'KNIGHT.

PULLEY & BOWEN.

Special offerings in every department of our store.

The season is well under way and the weather has been too mild. Our stock is larger than it should be, and to relieve this we are offering special inducements in the substantial form of clipping off a nice portion of the selling price. Remember our guarantee—if for any reason your purchase don't suit, we cheerfully refund your money.

36-inch Taffeta Silk, every yard guaranteed. You can't get anything better in silk, no matter what the price **1.25**

22-inch Taffeta Silk. We are making a leader of this, and want you to compare it with other \$1.60 silks; you will find it as good and the price only **75c.**

1 1/2 yard wide Heavy Shirting, all wool, in tan, oxford and light gray; we have the very best that can be had to sell at **1.00**

Ladies' Kid Gloves, black, white, tan, mode, gray, in fact all shades. We take special pains in selecting these and give you great values in every pair at **1.00**

64-inch all linen full bleached Table Tamask, fine and heavy and heavy and fully worth **50c.**

Ladies Vest, full size, all seams covered; they are the very best to be had at **25c.**

Ladies Wool White Vests, fine and soft; if you are looking for something good and cheap it is here at **1.85 pair**

One lot of Ladies' fast black Hose, seamless, that sold for 15c.; our price now **10c.**

Boys' Fleece-Lined Undershirts, all sizes, don't fail to see these at **25c.**

Infants' Woolen Shirts from 25c. to 50c.

Men's extra-heavy Fleece Lined Undershirts, gray, blue and cream at 45c. a piece. See them before buying.

One lot Linen Collars to close out; former price, 10 **5c. each** and 15 cents; now

One lot of Ladies Button Shoes, prices from 1 g to 1.50; to close out at **95c. pair**

One lot of Men's Top Shirts, some worth 75 and some 50 cents; just an odd lot and must be sold. The price is **35c.**

We have the nicest line of Ladies' and Men's Shoes to be found anywhere. Our 1.50 shoe is made of high grade dongola and is guaranteed to be the best for the price that can be had.

Our 2.00 and 2.50 Shoes can't be beaten anywhere. Be sure to see our Shoes before you buy.

Lot of Children's and Misses' Button Shoes, worth 1.50; to close out **1.00**

Our fine of Children's Shoes is attractive and of the latest designs prices are right.

Hats. A big line of men's and boys' hats in all the latest shapes. Prices that will suit you.

Men's and Boys' Clothing.

We have a very strong line and in order to close the entire stock of Clothing out we are offering it at 25 per cent. lower than former prices, as we are going out of the Clothing business.

We have always endeavored to sell the best goods, rather than the cheapest. Isn't it worth a great deal to know that whatever you buy here will be sold to you for just what it really is? That's the kind of people we are, and that is the kind of store we are keeping. Come to see us and examine our stock.

B. L. DAVIS, PRESIDENT

E. A. TYSON, Vice-President.

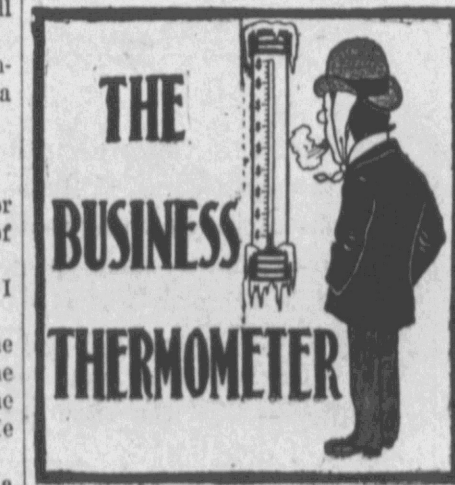
J. L. LITTLE, Cashier

Bank of Greenville, GREENVILLE, N. C.

Statement of The Bank of Greenville, Greenville, N. C., at the close of business Sept. 15th, 1902, condensed from report to North Carolina Corporation Commission.

Resources:	Liabilities:
Loans and Discounts \$164,566.29	Capital Stock paid in \$25,000.00
Overdrafts -9,576.14	Surplus, 15,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures 2,093.85	Undivided Profits less
Due from Banks and Bankers 126,939.23	Expenses Paid 3,814.81
Cash Items 6,201.76	Deposits 291,602.87
Cash in Bank 26,240.41	
	\$335,617.68

Careful attention given to all business entrusted to us.



Goes up or down

According to the Publicity you give your business. Keep it to yourself and it goes down. Keep it before the public and it climbs up.

Never tried it? Well, it's time you tried it and let the people know you want their trade. The advertising columns of

THE REFLECTOR

used regularly and persistently, will make business grow. Are you satisfied with your business? If not, advertise it, and you will be satisfied with the returns. You will find people interested in what you say if you talk to them through

THE REFLECTOR

Push your business thermometer up by advertising.

SPEIGHT & CO. Cotton Buyers,

Before selling or disposing of your COTTON SEED. They are prepared to pay highest market prices or give meal in exchange, and will keep on hand at Greenville a full supply of Meal and Hulls for the trade.

W. J. TURNAGE

Passenger, Baggage and Freight Transfer

Bus meets trains and boats and takes passengers anywhere in town. Baggage and freight delivered promptly. Any orders for me left at office of Speight & Co. or Phone No. 115, will receive prompt attention.

GREENVILLE'S

TONSORIAL PARLOR,

Opposite J. B. Cherry & Co.

S. J. NOBLES, Proprietor.

I have newly furnished my shop and am prepared to give the best service to be had. Cosmetics a specialty. S. J. NOBLES.

THE UP-TO-DATE

BARBER SHOP

is moved near Five Points and located in the new brick building. Come give us a call, we think we can please you.

J. H. DAVIS.

That Suit

Would look better and last longer if you bring it down and have it

Cleaned and Pressed.

The work that I do speaks for itself, and I am ready to serve you promptly at all times.

PAUL METRICK

The Tailor.

Like its name, "The Reflector" cigar is something good. 5 cents at Reflector Book Store.

Queen Quality

If it's an Umbrella

That you would like to give your wife, sweetheart or "tootsie outsie" for a Christmas present, you can't go wrong by looking through our line for the good old holiday time. We have the swellest line in town and invite your inspection, whether you buy or not. Our peaches and plums can be had at \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$5.50 and \$8.

C. S. FORBES

Queen Quality

CAROLINA & VIRGINIA Telephone Company, Henderson N. C.

The following toll rates will be in effect on and after May 1st, 1902, subject to change and correction: From Greenville to

1. Ayden	10 21	Louisburg	46
2. Beaufort	50 22	Morehead City	45
3. Boydton	50 24	Nashville	30
4. Buffalo Springs	50 24	New Bern	30
5. Burlington	65 25	Newport	40
6. Chapel Hill	50 26	Oxford	45
7. Chase City	55 27	Plymouth	30
8. Clarksville	50 28	Raleigh	45
9. Dunn	45 29	Roanoke Rapids	40
10. Durham	50 30	Rocky Mount	30
11. Enfield	80 31	Scotland Neck	30
12. Franklinton	45 32	Selma	40
13. Greensboro	75 33	Smithfield	40
14. Goldsboro	80 34	Spring Hope	35
15. Hamilton	25 35	Tarboro	25
16. Haw River	65 36	Wake Forest	45
17. Henderson	45 37	Warrenton	45
18. High Point	80 38	Weldon	40
19. Kinston	25 39	Wilson	40
20. Littleton	40 40	Winston	40

F. C. TOEPLERMAN, Gen. Supt.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

(By Wire to Daily Reflector.)

Norfolk Cotton & Peanuts

AS WIRED BY J. W. PERRY & COMPANY, Cotton Factors, Norfolk, Va

COTTON:

	Closed	Today	Yesterday
Strict Middling	8 5-16	8 1-4	8 1-4
Middling	8 3-16	8 1-8	8 1-8
St. Low Middling	8 1-8	8	8
Low Middling	8	7 1/2	7 1/2

PEANUTS:

Fancy	2 1/2	2 1/2
Strictly Prime	2 1/2	2 1/2
Prime	2 1/2	2 1/2
Low Grades	2 1/2	2

NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL

FUTURE MARKETS, AS WIRED BY COBB BROTHERS & COMPANY Bankers and Brokers, NORFOLK, VA.

New York Futures:

	Closed	Today	Yesterday
Dec.	8.32	8.36	8.36
Jan.	8.33	8.34	8.34
May	8.30	8.32	8.32

Liverpool Futures:

Dec. & Jan.	4.48	4.45
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Chicago Markets:

May Wheat	77 1-4	77 1-2
May Ribs	8.25	8.30
May Corn	44 1/2	44 1/2

GREENVILLE COTTON MARKET,

REPORTED BY J. B. CHERRY & CO.

	Today	Yesterday
Middling	7 1/2	7 1/2

LAUNDRY.

The Wilmington Steam Laundry will do your work to perfection. No breaking or cracking of collars and cuffs. One tried, forever satisfied. CARL PARKER, Resident Agent.

Madam Amae.

The Celebrated Medium and Scientific Palmist, late of Norfolk, is now located in Greenville. She reads life from cradle to grave with absolute correctness. Gives name and description of future husband or wife with date of marriage. She gives valuable advice on love, courtship, law suits, divorces, absent friends, speculation and all affairs of life. Drunkenness and other evil habits permanently cured by this gifted lady. All in trouble of any kind are specially invited to call. Madame Amae may be seen for a few days at the Hunter House.

Better Than a Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the affected parts, is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain Balm has no superior as a liniment for the relief of deep seated, muscular and rheumatic pains. For sale by Wooten's Drug Store, Greenville, Farmville Pharmacy, Farmville.

— ESTABLISHED 1875. —

S. M. Schultz.

Wholesale and retail Grocer and Furniture Dealer. Cash paid for Hides, Fur, Cotton Seed, Oil Barrels, Turkeys, Egg, etc. Bedsteads, Mattresses, Oak Suits, Bays Carriages, Go-Carts, Parlor suits, Tables, Lounges, Safes, P. Lorillard and Gail & Ax Snuff, High Life Tobacco, Key West Cheroots, Henry George Cigar, Canned Cherries, Peaches, Apples, Pine Apples, Syrup, Jelly, Milk, Flour Sugar, Coffee, Meat, Soap, Lye, Magic Food, Matches, Oil, Cotton Seed Meal and Hulls, Garden Seeds, Oranges, Apples, Nuts, Candies, Dried Apples, Peaches, Prunes, Currents, Raisins, Glass and China Ware, Tin and Woodware, Cakes and Crackers, Macaroni, Cheese, Best Butter, New Royal Sewing Machines, and numerous other goods. Quality and Quantity. Cheap for cash. Com to see me.

S. M. Schultz.

Phone 55

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

As we will, on January 1st, 1903, by mutual agreement, dissolve co-partnership, and desiring to close up the accounts of the firm, we take this method of notifying all those owing us to come forward and make immediate settlement.

RICKS & WILKINSON.

CENTRAL BARBER SHOP.

I have moved my Barber Shop to the shop in front of Munford's new building. I have also associated with me Julius Fleming, who has been working with me for a long time. We have fitted up for the handiwork shop in the town, and offer to the public the best services ever offered here. We appreciate highly the liberal patronage we have received in the past. We cordially invite all of our past customers and all others who desire first-class service to come to see us in our new shop. We intend to please you and will do so regardless of expense or labor. We are ready at all times to accommodate you with first-class shave or haircut. EDWIN S. FLEMING, opposite Munford's Bldg. Store

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

Snap Shots at Home News Put in Few Words for Busy Readers

Nice oysters at Old Joe Forbes. Eat hearty and drink Digestine. See the "Whistling Boy" at Wooten's Drug Store. Wedding and Christmas presents of all kinds at E. E. Griffin's. For sale cheap, 50 barrels red apples, at Sam'l M. Schultz.

Drink Digestine for your stomach sake, at all fountains.

Have you seen the Ancient Art Ware—beauties—at Zeno Moore & Bros?

The crowds on the streets carrying packages give a decided holiday appearance.

For Rent—two rooms nicely furnished. Apply to H. A. TIMBERLAKE.

Onyx and other beautiful clocks, very thing for Christmas presents, at E. E. Griffin's.

If you want a nice Bible for a Christmas present you can find it at Reflector Book Store.

Before you start out for your Christmas shopping look over THE REFLECTOR. It will tell you who has the goods you want and thus save you time.

The executive committee of the Anti Saloon League and representatives from the different townships meet here tomorrow to formulate petitions to the Legislature.

A Parker Fountain Pen makes an ideal Christmas present. They are the best make and sold with a guarantee. Nice lot to select from at Reflector Book Store.

His many friends here are very glad to see Jack Harrington, of Stokes, sufficiently recovered from a recent severe attack of pneumonia to be out again. He was in the city today.

The Weather.

For North Carolina: Rain tonight and Saturday.

Bond Money.

The Board of Aldermen will be ready to refund the money collected on the city improvement and graded school bonds Thursday. Checks will be issued by the mayor.

Call at his office at once and you can get your order.

Teachers' Association.

Pitt County Teachers' Association meets in Greenville tomorrow. A session will be held in the court house tomorrow afternoon. The people of the town are cordially invited to attend, and they will be amply repaid for so doing. The ladies especially should go out to hear the papers read by the lady teachers. The meeting a month ago was well attended and very interesting, and the one tomorrow will be equally good.

A Pome.

The Charlotte Observer is indebted to Capt. George F. Bason, the genial attorney for the Southern Railway, for a small pome, which, it is surmised, was written—in part, at least—by Captain Bason. The first verse is evidently addressed to the Southern Railway, and recites:

"My razorback, strolled down your track, A week ago today; Your 29 came down the line, And snuffed his light away. You can't blame me; the hog, you see, Slipped through a cattle gate; So kindly pen, a check for ten, The debt to liquidate."

The reply, which is supposed to have been written either by Captain Bason or Captain Charles Price, of Salisbury, is as follows:

"Old 29 came down the line. And killed your hog we know; But razorbacks, on railroad tracks, Quite often meet with woe. Therefore, my friend, we cannot send, The check for which you pine, Just plant the dead; place o'er his head, "Here lies a foolish swine."

If Uncle Sam



Lived in Greenville he would be sure to patronize the Greenville Steam Laundry. Why? Because they turn out only the best work. Try them and get the best.

Many Reasons

might be given why you should come to us for your

Christmas Goods.

The main reason is that we have just what the good house-keeper wants and our prices are right.

We have all the leading breakfast cereals—Oat Meal, Farce, Grape Nuts, Malta Vita, Buckwheat in 5c. packages, Condensed Milk in 5c. cans that is the equal of the finest to be had.

Seeded Raisins, Currants, Citrons and all such things needed for cake making.

Fruits and Confections

of almost every kind you can mention. Come and see what a nice line we have and learn the prices, and we will be sure to get your order for Christmas.

W. H. Laughinghouse AND SON.

Christmas is Drawing Near,

And the time has come for you to think what you shall give your loved ones. We think we can help you if you are in doubt, for we have a beautiful lot of goods for you to select from—articles that are pretty and practical, ornamental and useful—a showing distinctly unrivaled. Now is the opportune time to select your Christmas gifts. They are here today but may be gone tomorrow.

Our line of Fancy Rocking Chairs, all sizes, and other Furniture, is complete. Our Fancy Bric-a-Brac and Novelties range in price from 5c. to \$5.00. We think we have the largest stock of Dolls in the town, and we know our prices are low.

Oh! Mr. Santa Claus—

Don't forget that we have Candies, Oranges, Nuts, Apples, Raisins, Figs, Etc.

Have you made that Fruit Cake yet? We have all the ingredients, all new and fresh. Our Nuts and Fruits are all this year's crop. We carry nothing in this line but the very best we can get. Our Grocery Department is filled with everything needed for the table.

J. B. CHERRY & CO.,

Greenville's Great Department Store.

Taft's Special Sale

Continues on this week. Everybody wanting Cheap Goods invited to come. Prices way down. Goods of every description carried in our two stores.

Best Line of Furniture in Eastern Carolina.

BUCK'S STOVES—BEST ON EARTH. DRY GOODS 10 TO 25 PER CENT. Less than regular price

Come and examine. Yours for business,

A. H. TAFT & CO.