

## Ricks & Wilkinson

### Christmas

Draweth near and young and old rejoice. There are many things in our store most suitable for Christmas gifts, because the useful gift is always the most welcome.

If it's a nice Umbrella that you would like to give your girl, sister or wife, we have the finest line in town. We are offering these at cost. Come early and get the pick. Prices ranging from \$2 to \$15.

We are offering our entire stock of Clothing and Overcoats at cost.

There will be a change in our business Jan. 1st, so now is the time to get a cheap suit or overcoat.

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#### PROF. CARLYLE AT WINTERVILLE.

Delivered a Magnificent Address.

Prof. J. B. Carlyle, of Wake Forest College, delivered an address at Winterville High School, on Thursday night. Though the train bringing him was two hours late, the audience, knowing an intellectual feast was in store for them, awaited his arrival with patience. And they were more than repaid for the waiting.

The exercises opened with well rendered instrumental selections by Roy Cox and Miss Ida Moore, music pupils of the school.

Prof. Carlyle was introduced by County Superintendent W. H. Ragsdale, who in referring to the speaker's powers of eloquence and oratory, spoke of the inspiration that followed an address delivered by him before the teachers' institute at Winterville in the summer of 1901.

In the opening of his address Prof. Carlyle spoke of the pleasure it gave him to again be in Winterville and expressed his admiration of Pitt county and the interest of her people in education. He said he recently attended an educational meeting in Raleigh at which eighty-five county superintendents were present, and he believed every one of these, as well as other distinguished men, including our Governor, had made speeches, but when the summing up came it was the unanimous verdict that the Superintendent of Pitt county had surpassed them all, his speech being the best of the occasion. He also said he had learned something else that gave him great pleasure that the Secretary of State himself inspired educational interest had offered a medal to the boy or girl of his county who would write the best essay on North Carolina history; that this medal was won by a pupil of Winterville High School.

Prof. Carlyle then stated that the subject upon which he would speak briefly was "The Secret of Success." He said three things were necessary to success in this day—preparation thorough, purpose noble, perseverance unceasing. Under these divisions he discussed his subject as a master logician. At times he gave flights of eloquence that were magnificent and brought frequent bursts of applause. It was such an address as inspired every hearer with the noble purpose to fill his sphere in life with success. He used these characters by way of illustration—Jay Gould, who worshipped the golden calf and made money the ambition of his life; Robert G. Ingersoll, who worshipped at the shrine of fame and cared only for public applause; and Phillip Brooks, the preacher, who worshipped God and made the winning of the love and souls of men his highest ambition, and urged emulating the latter, whose name would live on and on after the others are long forgotten.

He summed up that preparation is essential to the success of any undertaking, but preparation is worthless unless accompanied by a purpose, and both preparation and purpose are of no value without perseverance. He closed with an earnest appeal to all, as true North Carolinians, to give their best efforts to making ours the greatest in the union of states.

After the address Prof. Lineberry and Ragsdale made brief remarks in appreciation of what Prof. Carlyle had said, and Miss Willie Sutton closed the exercises with an instrumental selection.

Prof. G. E. Lineberry and his excellent school are to be congratulated upon having so able a speaker with them, and also deserve the thanks of the people of Winterville and community for providing them such an intellectual feast.

#### The Importance of Thorough Primary Work in Schools.

[Essay read by Mrs. Willie Hughes before the Pitt County Teacher's Association.]

(Part two.)

Never try to push a child in primary work, for it will certainly be that amount of work passed over without being understood. The mind opens gradually and cannot be forced. It is beautiful to watch it expand with the light it receives by its guider day by day along the interesting path of knowledge. The teacher must be in touch with each pupil, must make each child an individual study and adapt the teaching to their needs. The ways of access to the intelligence of learners are many; different circumstances and intellectual conditions require different methods. Variety is the very essence of successful teaching and the one crowning qualification of a perfect teacher is sympathy, especially with young children, with their little joys and sorrows, which are as real to them as ours are to us. The true teacher endeavors to bring out all that is good in a pupil, not merely to make a machine of his mind but to train him into an intelligent being, and to develop every original thought, no matter how crude, he may happen to possess it.

Into every life some rain must fall, Some days must be cold and dark and dreary;

and into every occupation under the sun there comes at times discouragements, doubts and vain regrets. A misfit in a profession is a pitiable object, and every man should sit down resolutely and count the cost before choosing his career, as carefully as if he were going to war with a king who had twenty thousand men.

In the lazy woman's vocabulary hardship is merely a synonym for hard work. But to her who is faithful, the office of teacher is no sinecure; and one who likes to shirk all drudgery, expects to have for herself all time out of school hours, and imagines that once fitted to teach she is always fitted to teach—such a person is a misfit at the start. She would find it a hardship to be faithful anywhere, and to her I do not speak.

There are some real hardships, however, in the teacher's life, and without attempting to draw up a complete list, mention may be made of two or three.

The first is discipline. The average teacher does not enjoy police duty, but that is where her mettle is first tried. If she has the natural gift of command, discipline will seem as nothing. Her pupils will fall in line without protest, and never dream of disobeying. Perhaps it is unconscious hypnotism. But with most persons the art of control must be acquired. No one can teach successfully who does not somehow gain control. And curiously enough, teachers are generally disliked in direct ratio as they permit pupils to disobey. Order is heaven's first law, and the first requisite of the classroom. The less order the less it seems like heaven; scholarship, character, influence, and teaching power alike are swallowed up in maelstrom of misrule and she who does not determine to enforce authority had better resign. Of course the successful disciplinarian is always in sympathy with her pupils and takes a real interest in all of their little life interests, not only in the school room but everywhere. Such a teacher seldom fails to exact implicit obedience. If sympathy is not a native quality

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## CHRISTMAS

Will soon be here. The usual problem confronts you—same old trouble as last year. "It's hard to find things to give men." If you find it so a visit here will help you to decide and afford you relief. Our store is full of articles for a man's Christmas. Run your eyes down this list—you will certainly strike something he would be delighted to have.

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Muffler    Raincoat    Shirt Protector    Hand-kerchiefs    Suit    Neckwear,    Suspenders    Collars    Cuffs  
Cap    Umbrella  
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When Christmas Shopping we would be pleased to have you come here with your troubles and we'll fix "him" out.



**FRANK WILSON,**  
The King Clothier.

#### PERSONAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People Met With in the Social World

J. C. Andrews, of spent today here.

Benj. May, of Kinston, spent today here.

R. L. Davis left this morning for Richmond.

A. L. Breedlove left Friday evening for Danville.

Clarence Jeffress returned to Tarboro this morning

Dr. L. C. Skinner, of Parmete, came in Friday evening.

C. B. Mayo came home Friday evening from school at Mabane.

Rev. J. N. Booth returned Friday evening from Durham and Raleigh.

Misses Alice Lang and Rosa Tucker returned Friday evening from school at Wilson.

Bert James and Durwood Wilson came home Friday evening from school at Oxford.

Arthur Jenkins came home Friday evening from Wilson where he had been at school.

Miss Nannie Johnson, one of our compositors, is sick and we greatly miss her from the case.

V. W. Long, of Lake City, Fla., came in Friday evening to visit his sister, Mrs. W. F. Harding.

W. H. Norris, of Raleigh, arrived Friday evening to visit his daughter, Mrs. J. N. Booth.

Miss Mary Lou Tucker left this morning for Danville to spend the holidays.

Miss Lallah Harper and Miss Lillian Carr left this morning for Wilson to spend Christmas.

Misses Mamie and May Gallo-way and Eva Cox returned Friday evening from school at Littleton.

Prof. H. P. Harding came in this morning from New Berne to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. George Hadley, of Lat Grange, came over today to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Forbes.

Miss Effie Grimsley, of Greene county, returning from school at Wilson, stopped here Friday evening to visit Miss Minnie Tunstall.

We have the finest apples and oranges that the market affords.  
JOHNSTON BROS.

#### "MESSAGE OF THE SEASON."

Recital by Miss Sheppard's Class.

On Friday evening the patrons and a few friends gathered at the music room of Miss Lina Sheppard and were most pleasantly entertained with a "Message of the Season" by her class. The following program was rendered:

Song—"Coasting," by Class.  
Solo—"The Seasons," Lee Brown.  
Duet—"Santa Claus Waltz," Lillian Carr, Allie Greene.  
Solo—"Black Forest Clock," Nellie Pender.  
Trio—"Holiday Greeting," Carrie Gay, Lee Brown, Fannie Bagwell.  
Solo—"Christmas," Allie Greene.  
Duet—"Christmas Eve Gallop," Lottie Skinner, Agnes Spain.  
Solo—"Song of Spring," Fannie Bagwell.  
Trio—"Festival March," Lottie Skinner, Nellie Pender, Fannie Bagwell.  
Duet—"A May Day," Ethel Cheek, Carrie Gay.  
Solo—"Summer Boat Song," Agnes Spain.  
Song—"Silver Bells," by Class.

At the conclusion of the program a prize was awarded to Miss Agnes Spain for best lessons and most improvement during the term. This prize was presented in a neat speech by Prof. W. H. Ragsdale.

#### Anti-Saloon League

The Anti Saloon League will meet in the Baptist church Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. There will be no services in the other churches of the city.

The questions for discussion are as follows:

What shall be done towards presenting a petition to the Board of Aldermen at their January meeting to remove from the saloons of Greenville, all screens, painted windows and all other obstructions to the view from the streets. This question will be discussed by prominent speakers.

What should be the attitude of the town of Greenville towards the saloons and why, will be discussed by members of the League.

L. I. Moore returned Friday evening from New York.

Miss Delphia Peebles returned this morning from Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ruffin and two children left this morning for Danville.

Patrick Cobb, of Grifton, came up this morning to visit relatives.

Will and Hassell Daniel, of Dunn, came in Friday evening to spend the holidays with their sister, Mrs. W. C. Hines.

Just arrived, best butter at Johnston Bros.

#### DIGESTINE IS A WINNER.

### Givers of Christmas Gifts

Can solve the vexing problem of "what to give" by visiting our popular drug store. We have made an especial effort this season to provide for your Christmas wants in the way of presents, novelties, etc. Bear in mind, we sell no trash. Every article that we offer you is first-class—we don't handle any other kind. Our stock of

#### High Grade JEWELRY

is complete and very attractively priced. Our line of

#### SOLID GOLD STICK PINS

is the finest for miles around. Sterling silver and ebony mounted Toilet sets that are beauties—just the very thing for "my lady's boudoir." Perfumery of a high grade. Holiday Stationery that is approved by the cream of society, Hundreds of beautiful and useful articles for holiday presents.

Merscham and French Briar Pipes from famous makers. This is a present that will please almost any man who uses tobacco.

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You can't eat too much if you drink "DIGESTINE." Try it

Get full Christmas—full of the new and popular favorite, "Digestine"

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1902.

Those birds that escaped Thanksgiving destruction may as well buy their tickets now.

It begins to look like the war in Venezuela is to be one of those French affairs, after all.

Charlotte thinks Bishop displayed a woeful lack of taste in going away from Charlotte to get arrested.

A grasshopper hung on a jimson weed and shivered one winter day; the only song that he could sing was "Tis not always May."

The attitude of Judge Boyd in the cherry tree case has all along appealed to the sense of right and justice. He is eminently fitted for the high office.

Santa Claus wires us that rain has been so scarce this season his reindeers are too poor to travel and he will have to get his automobile out of the laundry in order to make the usual trip.

If you are ever going to pay your debts, pay them now. The Christmas joys of numberless folks depend upon it. By paying one small debt you enable someone else to do likewise, thus creating an endless chain of "peace on earth, good will to men."

We think it doubtful if the South is to be congratulated because it is to be especially "written up" for Harper's Weekly. For years that paper has vilified and insulted the best southern thought and sentiment. No lie against the South has been too low to find an entrance into its columns. It has pictured Southerners as barbarians and traitors and caricatured Southern women. "Beware of the Greek bearing gifts."

All the horrors which the northern agitators have raked up in regard to child labor in the South are as nothing in comparison with the proven atrocities of mine owners in Pennsylvania, where tots under 12 years of age are forced to work from 6 o'clock in the evening to 6 o'clock next morning, standing on their feet the entire 12 hours for which they receive the pittance of 3 to 5 cents an hour. Such brutality has never attracted the attention of those holy puritans of witch-burning ancestry. The reason is easy to find. Pennsylvania is not in competition with New England in the manufacture of cotton.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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ity, it may be largely cultivated by recalling scenes and events of our own childhood, closely observing child life and children's sayings and by reading those great and noble writers who have possessed this quality.

The teacher's personal appearance is no small factor in winning confidence: Neat, pretty and well fitting garments are more potent elements of discipline than they are usually given credit for. To summarize the short list of four virtues: Truth, self control, sympathy, neatness. These I regard as the essential characteristics of a good disciplinarian, and if they are developed with faith in ourselves and with trust in God, success is inevitable and teaching becomes a real pleasure.

Another hardship, certainly, to the beginner, is the dull pupil. Just as the young physician feels that he has personally killed every patient of his first year's practice who did not recover, so the young teacher often feels herself responsible for all the failures of her stupid scholars and attributes to her lack of clear instruction what is due to lack of wit or to lack of development on the part of slow pupils in her class. If all students were well behaved and quick to learn, for some of us teaching would be paradise.

But there is a cheerful side even to the dull pupil question, for those who are slow in development, timid or even stupid, are not hopeless; sometimes a word of cheer fitly spoken will change the trend of a lifetime.

The ability to teach any subject well presupposes on the part of the teacher a thorough knowledge of the subject. To teach well what she teaches is evidently the first qualification of a teacher. But this is not sufficient; she needs furthermore to know how to use what she knows so skillfully as to make of it an instrument of intellectual culture.

On the other hand, the great Dr. Arnold says: "Of the two I prefer activity of mind and interest in the work rather than high scholarship." It is certainly true that while the possession of knowledge is desirable it does not always insure a good teacher. One teacher succeeds where another fails, not because she knows more or is better prepared, but because she has cultivated the ability to impart knowledge and joined with this there must always be the ability to adapt the knowledge which the teacher possesses to the mental capacity of the pupil. Because a teacher knows a certain point and sees it clearly herself, is not a sure sign that the pupil understands it or grasps it.

A young teacher once asked President Garfield, then of Hiram College, the secret of the art of arousing and holding the attention of the pupils. The wise answer was: "See to it that you do not feed your pupils on cold victuals. Take the lesson into your own mind anew, re-think it and then serve it hot and steaming and then your pupils will have an appetite for your instruction, and you will have their attention."

There is no subject in the entire school curriculum more important or more far-reaching in its results than that of physical culture through the ounce of prevention which is always worth more than its proverbial pound of cure, it would certainly become necessary less often to close schools on account of epidemic. When the teacher erect, graceful, self-possessed, allows her pupils five minutes two or three times a day in which to work off their surplus energy, or "that tired feeling," as the case may be in rhythmic drills, she is sure to find their brains have become more alert and their bodies correspondingly at ease.

It is a great thing for boys and girls to feel that they can entertain they must be drilled so thoroughly that the drill shall be beneficial. Let us also consider

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The kind that makes Young and Old forget their troubles.

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One third off regular prices.

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\$2.25 " " " \$1.50
\$3.00 " " " \$2.50
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Nothing More Suitable or serviceable for Christmas Gifts.

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Newest Latest

12 Novelties

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The Big Store, Greenville, N. C.

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whether the teacher receives any reward for the extra labor which rhetorical exercises bring to her. It is about the only way to induce people to visit the school and that is an item of considerable importance. Teach large or small boys to make gestures where they come right. Motion songs are helpful in teaching gestures and a drill in calisthenics adds variety to the program. Do not hesitate to put a great responsibility on your pupils at such a time and you will find that they will be faithful to your trust. If there be any unruly boy in your school give him a post to fill during the exercises where he could prove that he can be a gentleman, and having learned that there is more real pleasure in making one's self agreeable than there is in being a nuisance, he will be a better boy for even one afternoon's experience in playing the roll of a gentleman.

We must remember that a child to be educated is not a block of marble which may be made into any desired form, but a plant to be cultivated, trained and brought to the highest degree of perfection of which it is capable.

And while we should never forget for an instant that each child has an individuality of its own, yet we must not believe that a pupil has so much talent in some particular direction as to encourage him to cultivate that to the neglect of the rest.

And if the pupil possess some particular talent which it is desirable to cultivate to his own happiness and welfare and for good of others, let there rise above the broad foundation, a graceful dome, an airy pinnacle but resting firmly on a base broad enough and secure enough to uphold it.

To recapitulate: aim of education should be to give to the body and the soul all the beauty, strength, and perfection of which they are capable, fitting the individual for the duties and pleasures as well as for the hindrances of this life, and for the enjoyment of that life for which this is, or should be, a school of preparation.

### ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

#### SCHEDULES

AUGUST 14th, 1902.

No. 68	Daily Except Sunday	No. 50
7:30 a.m.	Lv. Kinston 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.

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Lv. Rocky Mount	10:37 p.m.	1:05 p.m.
Ar. Columbia		10:55 p.m.
" Augusta	8:25 a.m.	
" Charleston	6:17 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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### Dr. D. L. James,

Dental Surgeon,  
Greenville, N. C.

#### 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.

Eat hearty and drink Digestine.

#### 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 man who pays the bills will be on the firing line for the next few weeks.

#### 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.

The greatest miser becomes extravagant when advice is to be given away.

#### 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.

Some people are like holiday decorations—they are evergreen.

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.

Your "closest" friend is the one who won't loan you a cent.

#### 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.

Some children will be lucky to get stockings to put their feet in.

#### 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.

## JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

Festival Should Be One of Gladness, Said the Late Dr. T. De Witt Talmage

SONGS greeted the birth of our Saviour. Angelic tongues with living fire sang the incarnation as they hovered over the hills of Judea. The music was resonant with joy. From the hour that the Virgin laid her Babe on pillow of straw in the manger all Christendom has since that time made the anniversary of this natal day a season of gladness, a season of unbounded joy.

Wreath the laurel, twine the bay, Christ was born on Christmas day.

There were special reasons for these heavenly songs being sung by the celestial chorus, for there was joy in God's great heart, joy among the first-born sons of light, joy thrilling all the heavenly empire, joy that is yet to be put in the new song sung by redeemed millions around the throne of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

It was the music of liberty. When these heavenly hosts sang the "Gloria in Excelsis," the whole world was resting under galling yokes of oppression. Slavery was universal. Taskmasters were everywhere severe to those in servitude. Greece, Rome and Palestine heard daily the groans of those in bondage. The world was in chains. But the song of the angels rang the deathknell of bondage. The Babe was God's emancipation. His distinctive mission was to set at liberty the captives and proclaim deliverance to the bruised and crushed sons of toil. Under the mild and genial influence of our holy Christianity fetters fell off everywhere, until now in this morning of our new century there are few nations to be found that hold serfs. Glorious freedom! Triumphant achievement of the cross! Wherever it is lifted chains are broken and spiritual emancipation is proclaimed.

It was the music of hope. Until Jesus appeared all the ancient religions had offered only a message of despair. No light fell upon the grave or illumined the vast beyond. Darkness reigned in supreme, sullen majesty, and not a single star of hope gilded the future. The grave was an eternal prison. But the songs sung by the heavenly choristers on that eventful night heralded hope to a lost world. Into the soul of sinning humanity came the sweet rays of joy and peace and blessedness, and, looking down into the grave, all fear had vanished, for sin, the sting of death, was gone and canceled by a glorious Christ the Lord. They looked and beheld—

On the cold cheek of death smiles and roses are blending, And beauty immortal awakes from the tomb.

And this is our Christmas joy that Jesus has lifted into immortal hope the graves of all our beloved friends who sleep in him.

It was the music of victory. When Jesus came, the great mass of humanity was in serfdom, and the dignity of labor was not comprehended. Toil was regarded as a degradation. Laborers were despised and all forms of manual industry held to be a disgrace. But the Son of Mary and Joseph came to teach the world a new philosophy, and by honorable industry he proclaimed the dignity of labor and taught that—

The honest man, tho' ere sae poor, Is king of men for a' that.

Jesus counts the beads of sweat upon the brow of every son of toil. He notes all injustice done the laboring classes, and only as his spirit prevails among men will the great conflict between labor and capital cease. But that day is coming ere long—the glad Christmas of ages—

When man to man the wide world o'er Shall brothers be and a' that.

—Christian Herald.

#### MEXICAN CUSTOMS.

Visiting and Giving Presents the Features of Yuletide.

A series of festivities beginning nine days before Christmas and ending on Christmas eve marks the Yuletide celebration in Mexico. In a circle of friends it is arranged that nine visits shall be paid to nine different houses. Each evening's gayety begins with prayer and the lighting of candles. These are followed by the presentation of a gift from each guest to the host or hostess of the evening. The first evening's gift is of small worth, but the value of the offering increases with every succeeding evening. That there may be nothing unfair in the distribution, the recipient of the first evening's offering one year becomes the last the following year. After the presentation there are dancing and supper. At midnight the candles are extinguished.

No two evenings' entertainments are exactly alike save in the offering of prayers, the lighting of candles and the presenting of gifts. On Christmas eve, a few minutes before midnight, all proceed to church to hear the midnight mass, and this ends the Christmas celebration for the year.—New York Tribune.

#### The First Christmas Tree.

The Christmas tree was first heard of in England about 1444. A tree was then set up in the middle of a pavement and decked with ivy as well as with other greens. From this use it was finally taken within the home, decorated with candles and eventually with anything which glistened and enhanced its brightness.

# 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 Skirting, 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.** 75 cents, our price

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 Suit, 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 and 15 cents; now **5c. each**

One lot of Ladies Button Shoes, prices from 1 g0 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 1.00 1.50; to close out **1.00**

Our line 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.

E. L. DAVIS, President  
R. 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	
	<b>\$335,617.68</b>

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 the 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.

#### HE UP TO DATE

BARBER SHOP  
as 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

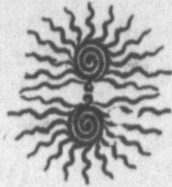
The work that I do speaks for itself, and I am ready to serve you promptly at all times.

## PAUL METRICK

The Tailor.

# Neckwear Talk

Styles are variable, but the well-dressed man must keep up with them. When you are in doubt as to just the proper thing, you cannot do better than consult the fashions displayed at our store. Neckwear is a small item, but as important as any part of a gentleman's wardrobe. A shipment of 42 dozen ties is just in, including the very latest in materials and make-up. A selection from this lot insures the satisfaction one gets from up-to-date goods.



## C.S. FORBES

Dealer in Satisfaction. A large stock always on hand.

### TODAY'S MARKETS.

By Wire to Daily Reflector.

#### Norfolk Cotton & Peanuts

AS WIRED BY

J. W. PERBY & COMPANY,  
Cotton Factors, Norfolk, Va

COTTON:		
	Closed	Today, Yesterday
Strict Middling	8 1/2	8 7-16
Middling	8 1/4	8 5-16
St. Low Middling	8 1/4	8 3-16
Low Middling	8	8 1-16
PEANUTS:		
Faucy	2 1/2	2 1/2
Strictly Prime	2 1/2	2 1/2
Prime	2 1/4	2 1/4
Low Grades	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.	8.55	8.55
Jan.	8.56	8.50
May	8.36	8.32
Liverpool Futures.		
Dec. & Jan.	4.48	4.50
Chicago Markets:		
May Wheat	77	77 1/2
May Ribs	8.32	8.52
May Corn	43 1/2	43 1/2

GREENVILLE COTTON MARKET,  
REPORTED BY  
J. B. CHERRY & CO.

	Today, Yesterday.
Middling	7 1/4 to 8 7/8

**CENTRAL BARBER SHOP.**  
I have moved my Barber Shop to the shop in front of Mumford's new big store. I have also associated with me Julius Fleming, who has been working with me for a long time. We have fitted up for the handiest shop in the town, and offer to public the best service 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 hair cut.  
EDMUNDS & FLEMING  
110 N. 11th St. Store

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Letters of administration upon the estate of Jane Haddock, deceased, having been issued to me by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Pitt county, on the 17th day of December, 1902, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me for payment on or before the 22nd day of December, 1903, duly itemized and authenticated, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will make payment to me. This the 20th day of December, 1902.  
JESSE CANNON,  
Public administrator administering the estate of Jane Haddock, dec'd.

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.

All are cordially invited to examine Mrs. Higgs' holiday display. Be sure to call before making your Xmas purchases. Store open at night.

### SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

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

Nice oysters at Old Joe Forbes.  
Nuts and raisins at Johnston Bros.  
When you want groceries go to Jesse Starkeys.

A large assortment of candies at Johnston Bros.

Drink Digestine for your stomach sake, at all fountains.

Xmas cards, calendars and booklets at Mrs. Higgs.

Wedding and Christmas presents of all kinds at E. E. Griffin's.

You should see the display of china, bisqueware, and bric-a-brac at Mrs. Higgs.

For the best groceries at reasonable prices visit W. H. Laughinghouse & Son.

The ideal Christmas gift—Waterman Fountain Pen at Wooten's Drug Store.

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

Attention is called to the notice to creditors by Jesse Cannon, public administrator.

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

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

Fruits, nuts, raisins, candies, toys, wagons, guns, dolls, and other Xmas specialties cheap at Samuel M. Schultz's.

Cranberries, seeded raisins and currants at Johnston Bros.

Just anything Santa Claus wants in the way of fruits and confections can be found at Savage & Moye's railroad store.

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

Cocoanuts and citron at Johnston Bros.

Come to Washington for your dressed lumber. Our planing mill at west end of Second street.  
T. ELWOOD COMLY & CO.

Xmas presents galore in a nice line of jewelry just received at Mrs. Higgs. Engraving on purchases without extra cost. Anything desired not in stock can be had by order in 2 or 3 days.

Boarders Wanted—I will be prepared to take a few boarders, beginning Jan. 1st, at my residence on Dickinson avenue. Apply at once  
MRS. M. HARRISS.

Pickles and Jellies at Johnston Bros.

You will be pleased with every purchase you make of W. H. Laughinghouse & Son. Their usual stock of staple and fancy groceries has received special additions for the Xmas trade.

Remember Savage & Moye's railroad store is the place for Christmas goods. Cheapest store in town.

Nice line of dolls, wagons and other toys for Christmas at Savage & Moye's railroad stores.

The same money gets more goods at Savage & Moye's railroad stores than elsewhere. Go there and save money.

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.

#### The Weather.

For North Carolina:  
Rain tonight, warmer in eastern portion. Sunday rain.

The REFLECTOR Book Store has a lot of nice cigars put up expressly for Christmas sale and will make special prices on them Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Boxes of 50 at \$1, boxes of 12 at 25 cents. Get a box for your self or friend.

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, Greenville Pharmacy, Farmville.

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.

### They All Admire



the quality of worked turned out by the Greenville Steam Laundry because it is the best. Try us and be convinced.

## 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, Faroe, 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.**

High Grade JOB PRINTING done here. Send us your orders

## 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 PERCENT. Less than regular price

Come and examine. Yours for business,

