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GREEN AND ROASTED.  
New Orleans Molasses,  
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CANNED FRUITS,  
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Fine Northern Apples,  
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All of which we sell at lowest cash prices. Bread and Cakes and a well-selected Stock of Crackers always on hand.  
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Send for Circulars, giving Terms, etc.  
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In a few days we will open at our store, one door north of J. D. Stewart's Dry Goods store, a full line of  
MILLINERY GOODS,  
especially selected for this market.  
The ladies are respectfully invited to examine our Stock before purchasing their spring hats and bonnets.  
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March 27-43-2c.

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The undersigned has in full operation at Ames' Turn Out, on the C. C. Railway, six miles East of Monroe, a Steam Saw Mill and Shingle Machine, where he is prepared to furnish the public with first-class lumber of any size, Lathes for Plastering, and Shingles of any size, from 1 to 8 inches wide and from 18 to 80 inches long. A Cotton Gin is also attached.  
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March 27, 76-43-ly.

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## Selected Poetry.

### Forty Years Ago.

How wonderful are changes, Jim,  
Since forty years ago,  
When gals wore woollen dresses, Jim,  
And boys wore pants of tow;  
When shoes were made of calfskin,  
And socks of homespun wool,  
And children did a half-day's work  
Before the hour of school.

The girls took music lessons, Jim,  
Upon the spinning-wheel,  
And practiced late and early, Jim,  
On spindle, swift and reel;  
The boys would ride bare-backed to mill,  
A dozen miles or so,  
And hurry off before 'twas day,  
Some forty years ago.

The people rode to meeting, Jim,  
In gigs in those good days,  
And wagons rode as easy, Jim,  
As buggies now-a-days,  
And oxen answered well for teams  
Though now they're too slow,  
For people lived not half so fast,  
Some forty years ago.

O, well do I remember, Jim,  
The Wilson patent stove,  
That father bought and paid for, Jim,  
In cloth our gals had woven;  
And how the neighbors wondered  
When we got the thing to go,  
They said 'twould bust and kill us all  
Some twenty years ago.

Yes, everything is different, Jim,  
From what it used to be,  
For men are always tampering, Jim,  
With God's great natural laws,  
But what on earth we're coming to,  
Does anybody know?  
For everything has changed so much,  
Since forty years ago.

## Selected Story.

### THE OLD CLOCK'S SECRET.

"You shall marry Godfrey Marsh, Marcia," Mrs. Stanhope said, setting her teeth together, in that grim fashion of hers, which told that her mind was made up. "He is rich. He can give you a home second to none in all the country round. He can give you position and influence."

"I don't want a home, if I have got to marry for that and nothing else," answered Marcia, bitterly. "I don't care for all the position and influence Godfrey Marsh can give me, if I have got to accept him with them. I hate him. If I married him I would not live with him a year."

"You are foolish girl," her mother answered sternly. "A very foolish girl. There isn't another girl in Hilbury that wouldn't jump at the chance you have. And I don't believe you will let it slip out of your hands when you think it over as a sensible girl should."

"I shall never change my mind," answered Marcia, with something of her mother's grim determination in her voice. "Never."

"You are thinking of Dick Gresham, of course," sneered Mrs. Stanhope. "He is a much more desirable fellow than Godfrey Marsh, I suppose. I infer that you would not hesitate to accept the position and influence he could give you, as Mrs. Gresham."

"I have never said anything of the kind," answered Marcia, with a rising flush. "He has never asked me to say anything of the kind, I am sure and I certainly shall wait until I am asked. Dick Gresham is an honest, respectable man, and the peer of Godfrey Marsh in every way. Godfrey Marsh's money I count out of the question entirely."

"I understand how the case stands," said Mrs. Stanhope, sternly. "I have told you before, and I repeat it again, that you may understand me fully--never, with my consent, shall you marry Dick Gresham. I don't believe he cares half as much for you as you do for him. If he does, he doesn't show it as most men are apt to do, and you will save a good deal of gossip if you keep your fancy for a little more to yourself. People are not blind."

And then Mrs. Stanhope went out and Marcia sat and thought. Those last words of her mother's might hold a good deal of truth in them. She had sometimes wondered if Dick Gresham did care for her as she acknowledged to herself that she cared for him. He was not like most men. It was not his nature to be demonstrative. Perhaps he was waiting to be sure of his own heart--and of her regard for him. She had been with him a great deal. She had wondered more than once if he loved her. If

he did, he had never told her so. She believed that he did, however.

There was the rattle of carriage wheels at the gate. She looked out, with a frown gathering on her face. She knew who was there, well enough. "Is Marcia at home?" she heard Godfrey Marsh ask her mother. "If she is, I should like to take her out for a drive this afternoon."

"Yes," she heard her mother reply. "She'll be delighted to go. I'll call her."

"I won't go," she thought, hurriedly, with a little angry gesture. Then she thought better of that decision. It would offend her mother if she refused, and their life was not a very harmonious one of late. And perhaps Dick Gresham might see them, and conclude to speak out.

So she got ready and went. While she was gone, Dick Gresham came to see. Mrs. Stanhope methinks coldly but politely.

He inquired for Marcia. "She has gone out to ride with Mr. Godfrey Marsh," Mrs. Stanhope answered, with an inward chuckle at the tereed goldenly, and hid the mountains far off, and made the hills near by seem like the hills of some ghostly land. The leaves of the old chestnut by the door were dropping softly and with a slow rustle that kept time to the ticking of the old clock in the corner.

Mrs. Stanhope had been failing slowly for years. Her life had faded as the day fades; you scarcely can tell that the light is going out, but the discomfited look on Dick's face.

"I am very sorry," he said. "I wanted to see her very much. I am going away this evening, and I do not know how long I shall be gone, nor how far I shall go. I wanted to say something to her before went."

Dick knew that Mrs. Stanhope hated him. He felt it. But he was frank and honest with her. "I can't say when she will be back," Mrs. Stanhope said. "I think Mr. Marsh intends to stop for tea. From that I infer that they will be gone most of the afternoon."

"Yes, quite likely," answered Dick absently. "I shall not see her then, but I might write what I wanted to say, and leave it for you to give her."

"Yes, you could do that," she said. "You will find pen and paper in the secretary there."

"It is the best that I can do," thought Dick. "I would much rather have said it; but if I can't do that, I will have to do the next best thing."

He wrote down what he came to say to Marcia Stanhope, and sealed it in an envelope, upon which he wrote her name.

"If you will give it to her," he said, laying it upon the table by Mrs. Stanhope, "you will be doing me a very great favor. I had rather not tell you what I have written, though, perhaps, you have a right to know. Marcia may tell you."

Then he said good-bye, and went away. "I have a right to know, according to his own admission," Mrs. Stanhope said, and tore away the envelope. She read his letter through carefully.

"I think fate is playing into my hands," she said grimly. "It will be quite a long time before your letter is answered, if I am not mistaken, Dick Gresham."

She went to the old clock in the corner, opened it, and dropped the letter down into its mysterious depths. "There!" she said, shutting the door upon its secret, "that is disposed of safely, I think."

The next morning she spoke up suddenly to Marcia, as they were at work in the kitchen together:

"Dick Gresham was here yesterday to see you. He said he was going away last night, and didn't know how far he was going, nor how long he would be gone. He has joined the engineering party going from Hilbury to the West. He told me to tell you good-bye for him."

"That was all?" Marcia said sharply, as if the words cost her a great effort. Her face was very pale.

"Yes, that was all," answered Mrs. Stanhope, busy with the milk pans. "He never cared for me, I'm sure."

Marcia whispered to her pillow that night, and then cried herself to sleep.

It was a pleasant afternoon in October when Mrs. Stanhope died. The sky was full of dreamy vagueness--a haze through which the sunshine flit-

first you know it is gone. It was so with her. The light was almost gone out, now. It only flickered for a moment; then there would be darkness.

"Marcia," she said, faintly. "Well, mother?"

"There is something I want to tell you. I ought to have told you long ago. Dick Gresham left a letter for you when he went away. I read it, and hid it in the old clock. It is there yet. When I am gone, find it and read it. But not till then, Marcia," she looked up pleadingly into Marcia's face.

"No, not till then," Marcia promised with a strange feeling of expectancy, regret and anger at heart. What did that hidden letter have to say? Perhaps--and then she tried to put all thought of it out of her head until the time came for her to know what Dick had to say. But she could not do that.

By and by Mrs. Stanhope said she wanted to go to sleep. Marcia arranged her pillows, and the sick woman closed her eyes wearily.

She slept long and well, for she never woke again.

The funeral was over. And then came that awful sense of desolation which follows "after the burial." Whoever has passed through this experience of life can never forget the dreary loneliness, the solemn silence that is about the house. The world seems to have stopped for a little time.

Tick! tick! the old clock kept repeating that night, and Marcia went to it to solve the mystery it held. She took off the old door, and removed the curiously carved front. In the bottom, covered with the dust of fifteen years, she found the letter she had never known of for so long.

She read it through with a curious blending of pleasure to know that Dick had loved her, and bitter regret for what she had lost. If she had only known then! Now her life must go on as it had gone so long, but she should have it to think of that he had loved her.

She laid her head down against the old clock and cried softly. His love would have been so sweet. It would have made life so pleasant. But it was lost. It had been lost for fifteen years.

There was a knock at the door. She got up drying her eyes hastily, and went to admit her visitor, hardly conscious of what she was doing, but acting more from force of habit than anything else.

## Miscellaneous.

### A Fearful Summons.

From the Philadelphia Bulletin.  
"Mr. Smith, I called to see if I could take your life."

"Wh--wh--what d'you say?" exclaimed Smith, in some alarm.  
"I say that I've come around to take your life. My name is Gunn. As soon as I heard you were unprotected, that you had nothing on your life, I thought I would just run in and settle the thing for you at once."

Then Smith got up and went to the other side of the table, and said to himself: "It's a lunatic who has broken out of the asylum. He'll kill me if I halloo or run. I must humor him."

"You can choose your own plan, you know. It's immaterial to me. Some like one way, and some like another. It's a matter of taste. Which one do you prefer?"

"I'd rather not die at all," said Smith in despair.  
"But you've got to die, of course," said Gunn; "that's a thing there's no choice about. All I can do is to make death easy for you, to make you feel happy as you go off. Now, which plan will you take?"

"Couldn't you postpone it until tomorrow, so as to give me time to think?"

"No; I prefer to take you on the spot. I might as well do it now as at any other time. You have a wife and children?"

"Yes, and I think you ought to have some consideration for them and let me off."

"Well, that's a curious kind of an argument," said Gunn. "When I take you your family will be perfectly protected, of course, and not otherwise."

"But why do you want to murder me?"

"Murder you. Murder you. Who in the thunder's talking about murder?"

"Why, didn't you say--"

"I called to get you to take out a life insurance policy in our company, and I--"

"Oh, you did, did you?" said Smith, suddenly becoming fierce. "Well, I ain't a going to do it, and I want you to skip out of the office or I'll brain you with the poker. Come now skip."

Then Mr. Gunn withdrew without selling a policy, and Smith is still uninsured.

What I Vote For.  
If I vote for license when I see the bloated, reeling, blaspheming drunkard, I must say, I voted for that; when I see the young man wasting his substance and strength, shaming parents and friends by drink, I must say, I voted for that; when I learn of the wife being beaten and the children driven from home by a drunken parent I must say, I voted for that; when I see the prison and poor-house filled with victims, I must say I voted for that; when my tax bill is presented, swelled out three times what it should be, I must say I voted for that, and when on the judgment day these all come up against me, 'and the King shall say in as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me,' 'Depart from me ye cursed into everlasting fire, therefore, I vote against license.

## ADVERTISING RATES.

One Square, of ten lines, first insertion, \$1.00  
Each subsequent insertion, .50  
Obituaries, Fifty Cents per square.  
The privilege of yearly advertising is strictly limited to their own immediate and regular business, and the business of an advertising firm is not considered as including that of the individual members.  
Advertisements of an abusive nature will not be inserted at any price.  
No deviation from these terms under any circumstances.  
Contract advertisements taken at low rates.

## Pleasant Paragraphs.

Offerings of the season. Twenty cents on the dollar.

Ought to be allowed to sit down--  
A merchant of forty years' standing.  
Dandies and nanny-goats never fail to pride themselves upon their kids.  
Why are cents separated from dollars by a point? To make sense, of course. Don't you see the point.

Jones believes in policemen, and thinks they are all square men. "At any rate," he says, "they are never round."

After a play a young Frenchman said to his friend, "I could play the lover better than that myself." She replied, "Then why in heaven's name don't you?"

An old Dutchman froze his nose. While thawing the frost out, he said, "I haf carry dat nose forty year, unt he never freeze hisself before, I no understand dis ting."

"Sambo, my massa always trabel; yours eber stay at home." "Dat berry true, Jim, but you know what de proverb says--'Rollin' stone gadder no moss.' 'No, Sambo, but it gadder polish; and dat's a qualification your massa stan' berry much in need ob'."

It was in a New Jersey Sunday school. The superintendent approached a youth of color who was present for the first time, and inquired his name for the purpose of placing it on the roll. The good man tried in vain to preserve his dignity when the answer was returned: "Well, massa calls me Cap'n, but my maiden name is Moses."

It is possible that the "shower of flesh" in Kentucky was a flock of spirits who got fooling so much with materializing that they couldn't get all of themselves back into the spirit state before their toes and fingers fell off? Or might there have been a prize fight in the moon and some fellow got knocked clean over the side of lunary and come down like sausage meat?--N. Y. Herald.

A good lady of Columbus, Ga., was "struck all of a heap" by an old colored woman she met the other day. She beamed all over her face as she said, in the most approved Georgia style: "Howdy Aunt Maria? The aged negress raised herself erect, placed her arms akimbo and remarked loftily, looking sideways, "I ain't yer aunt, and I ain't yer uncle; I see yer exalt!"

THE MEANEST MAN.--An exchange says: "Old Skindint," with a speckled hen, was down to O'Brien's Show last Thursday, and hitched his team to a fence in the rear of this office. Pulling out an old ten pound salt sack from under the seat he proceeded to feed the horse. What on earth the hen was for we could not imagine, until just before hitching up to return he tied one end of the string attached to the hen's leg to the hind wheel of the wagon, and the mystery was solved--he had brought along the hen to pick up the last oat left by the horses, that nothing might be lost.

A certain judge, whose pompous officious ways tempted some of the lawyers to acts which his honor construed to mean contempt, fined them ten dollars each. When they had paid their fines, a certain dry and steady-going old attorney walked up to the bench and very gravely laid down a ten dollar bill. "What is that for?" said the judge. "For contempt, your honor," was the reply. "Why I have not fined you for contempt," answered the judge. "I know that," said the lawyer; "but I want you to understand that I cherish a hearty contempt for this court, and I am willing to pay for it."

PECCOLIARITIES.--"Every man," said Mark Lemon, one evening at his club, "has his peccoliarities, though I think I am as free from them as the most of men; at any rate, I don't know what they are."

Nobody contradicted the editor of the Punch, but after awhile Albert Smith asked:  
"Which hand do you shave with, uncle?"  
"With my right hand," replied Lemon.

"Ah," returned the other, "that's your peccoliarity; most people shave with a razor."







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## Local Matters.

CHARLOTTE will move her post office soon and have better accommodations.

Do you want to buy a neat, comfortable dwelling in Monroe? If so, refer to our advertising columns.

One of our most estimable citizens may be thankful for the introduction of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, for its timely use has saved his life.

HIS HONOR, JUDGE BURTON, decided in Court last week that our Town Commissioners had no right to tax drays.

THE MONROE LODGE A. F. M., have moved to their new Lodge Room in Fitzgerald's new building, and are now situated in more comfortable quarters than before.

BE IN TIME.—To insure the insertion of any advertisement or other notice for the next issue, the "copy" must be handed in by 10 o'clock, a.m., on Saturdays.

FRESH FISH.—Our market, for the past week, has been abundantly supplied with fine shad and other fresh fish from the well known Piquet fishery, on Lee Des R. river, by Mr. T. J. Ingram, of Wadesboro.

MR. J. J. PICKARD has been appointed Post Master at Monroe, and took formal charge on last Monday. We presume the office will remain in the building where it now is.

THE late revival at the M. E. Church, in Charlotte closed last Wednesday, after having continued five weeks. Forty-six conversions were made to the church, which now has a membership of four hundred and forty-six.

TOWN ELECTION.—Is it not time that our citizens were making some arrangements for getting up a suitable ticket to be voted upon at the next election for our Town officers. We suggest that a public meeting be held at once, and see who the people want.

RALPH will start two agricultural journals soon. One a weekly by Johnstone Jones, Esq., "The North Carolina Farmer's Journal," and the other a sixteen page monthly by Jas. H. Ennis & Co., "The North Carolina Farmer."

RAGS WANTED.—Messrs. Tidy & Bro., of Charlotte, advertise for Rags, for which cash will be paid. This firm, having fixed up recent troubles, are all right again and are worthy of the patronage of our people. They do business fairly and squarely.

BRING IN YOUR JOB WORK.—Having just received a new lot of Fancy Type and other Job Material, we are now fully prepared to execute almost any order for Plain or Fancy Job Printing at prices that will satisfy all. Don't send off your work, when you can have it done at home as neatly as any where and at as low if not lower prices.

THE GOOD TEMPLAR LODGE, of this place reproduced their Drama, "Saved," before quite a creditable audience on last Tuesday night, with fine success. As this Drama was fully described in our columns a few weeks ago, we deem it unnecessary to give any description now. It is probable that we shall have other entertainments from this Lodge soon.

AN EXPLOSION IN SOAK.—We heard an estimable citizen who had been losing a good deal of wood during the last cold snap, say the other day, that he had nicely hidden two pounds of powder away in three sticks of wood and laid them convenient for the next stealthy borrower who visits his wood-pile.

We wonder if the Africanite who gets one of the loaded sticks won't be surprised when he sees his stick of wood jump up and walk out of the house, and tap him over the head as it passes him.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, held on the 12th inst., the following scale of valuation to be observed in listing Taxables for 1876 was adopted, viz:

No. 1 horses and mules, \$110; No. 2 do., \$80; No. 3 do., discretionary. No. 1 cows, \$20; No. 2 do., \$15; No. 3 do., \$10. Sheep, per head, \$1.00. Goats, 75 cents. Hogs, No. 1, \$5.00; No. 2, \$3.00; No. 3, \$1.00. No. 1 40 saw gins, \$100; No. 2, \$75. No. 1 cotton per lb., 11 cents; No. 2, 9 cts. Corn, per bushel, 80 cents. Wheat, \$1.10. Flour, \$3.00 per sack. Bacon, 13 cents per lb. No. 1 four-horse wagon, \$100; No. 1 two-horse wagon, \$75; No. 1 one-horse wagon, \$40; No. 1 buggy and harness, \$125. Fodder, per 100 bundles, \$1.00. Hay, per 100 lbs., 75 cents. No. 1 beds and furniture, \$20; No. 2 \$15; No. 3 \$10.

Press Representations.—We were glad to meet the following brethren of the Press in our town last week, Court and the Congressional Committee meeting having drawn them hither, viz: R. A. Shotwell, Southern Home; W. J. Yates, Democrat; N. Knight and Dr. Harlee, Argus; L. L. Polk, Ansonian; W. J. Boylin, Register; E. R. Liles, Herald; Jno. Duckett, Rockingham Courier. This is the largest Press representation we have ever had in Monroe, and we expect the place will be well written up among all hands. Well, we don't believe they can say too much for the place, because it is almost without a parallel.

Whose is it?—Somebody's dog collar, block and chain has been lying in our yard for several weeks, the wearer having hung himself in jumping the fence and escaped with his neck unbroken by slipping the collar over his head. As we haven't seen the dog since, and as he was a night visitor, we hope he has gone off some where and hung himself for good, and thus enabled us to save our powder and lead. We hope the owner will come forward and take his chain away, as we have no dog to wear it, and the sight of it reminds us of the pious we threw away at him before we got our powder.

SUPERIOR COURT.—The Spring Term of our Superior Court convened on last Monday, his Honor, Judge Burton, presiding. The attendance has been larger than usual, we think. Quite a number of cases were disposed of. The Criscoe murder case, from Stanly, was continued till next Court and Criscoe taken back to Stanly jail. There were thirty-one convictions and submissions on the State Docket, and twenty-five new bills found. The Grand Jury were discharged on Thursday. Several important Civil cases are set for this week. We will give a full report in next issue of both weeks work.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE 7th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.—The Democratic Executive Committee for the 7th Congressional District, met at the call of Col. S. H. Walkup, Chairman in, Monroe, on the 11th April, 1876, at 12 o'clock M., and was duly organized by requesting B. C. Cobb, Esq., to act as Secretary. Upon calling the roll of counties it was found that the following counties were represented by the gentlemen named below:

Union, Col. S. H. Walkup, chairman; Anson, Col. R. T. Bennett; Gaston, Col. W. A. Stowe; Lincoln, B. C. Cobb, proxy; Mecklenburg, W. J. Yates; Richmond, Col. W. L. Steele. On motion of W. J. Yates, the following members of the Press (present in the town) were invited to sit with the Committee, as corresponding members:

W. C. Wolfe, Monroe Enquirer; L. L. Polk, Ansonian; N. Knight and Dr. Harlee, N. C. Argus; R. A. Shotwell, Southern Home; John Duckett, Rockingham Courier; E. R. Liles, Lee Des Herald; W. J. Boylin, Concord Register.

It having been suggested that other members of the Committee might arrive during the day from counties not represented, the Committee adjourned until 8 o'clock p. m.

8 O'CLOCK, P. M.—The Committee met according to adjournment. Present same members as were in attendance at morning session.

The Chairman having stated the business of the meeting to be the selection of a time and place for holding the Convention of the District, it was on motion determined, after full and free discussion, that the Convention of the Democratic party of the 7th Congressional District be called to meet in Wadesboro on Wednesday the 7th day of June, 1876, to nominate a candidate for Congress, and that the several counties be requested to send delegates at said time to said place.

The thanks of the Committee were on motion tendered to the chairman and secretary.

On motion the various Democratic papers in the District were requested to publish the proceedings of the Committee.

Committee then adjourned subject to call of the Chairman.

S. H. WALKUP, Chm'n.

B. C. Cobb, Sec'y.

Married.

In Lanes Creek Township on the 24th February, by V. T. Chears, Esq., Mr. J. M. Huxley to Miss May King.

Died.

In this county on the 4th inst., Mrs. Sarah Jones, wife of Mr. Robin Jones. Aged 80 years; had been married 62 years. Argus please copy.

## (For the Enquirer.)

### A Ramble in the Country.

MR. EDITOR:—Since I saw you and promised to write you something for your paper I have been circulating considerably, but I find news as scarce as greenbacks. I visited Lancaster and expected to do some work there, but some other party who was out of employment was too smart for me and left me out in the cold, so far as that job was concerned.

Lancaster is not improving any yet, but the people seem to be preparing to build when the Railroad approaches a little nearer and money gets easier. The Railroad is progressing but very slow; I think they are about done grading it from Chester to Lancaster, and I was told that the bridge for the Catawba river was framed in Columbia, and nothing now remains to be done but build the bridge, lay cross-ties and iron and put the rolling-stock on the road; then they will have a Railroad from Chester to Lancaster, but I am fearful it will be a good long time before the good people of Lancaster have the pleasure of hearing the whistle of the long-lost-for train. A good many of the people express themselves freely, and say they would rather have done without a road than to have been taxed to death to build one and it across the line of trade at that. Why, oh! why did they not build it from Monroe? Better build one from Monroe to Lancaster yet. Enough on the Railroad.

The farmers of Lancaster county, notwithstanding the cold, backward Spring, are fully up with the time of year; and I am sorry to say, are preparing to plant large crops of cotton again. There seems to be no scarcity of labor—bands are begging employment at almost any price.

Wheat and oats look remarkably well, and farmers are looking forward with anxiety to harvest, hoping to be relieved of a part of the burden that now hangs over them—that of feeding their stock and families and "no money" nor no credit to do it with.

In the Providence section, in this and Mecklenburg county, I see the same disposition manifested to plant a large crop of cotton. The people seem to be determined to raise cotton at any price.

I notice that some of the people are turning their attention to gold hunting. Whether it is from the scarcity of greenbacks or the lack of employment that is forcing them to it or not I do not know, but I think the gold regions in this county will be searched thoroughly this year, and I have no doubt but there will be a good deal of the precious and coveted metal found. To all who have engaged in the enterprise I extend my hearty congratulations, and hope they may be successful. There is gold in Union county by the ton if the people will only find and dig for it. So to all the mechanics that are out of employment I would say, let us try our fortune in hunting gold; let us develop the mineral properties of Union county this year ourselves, and see if we can't make money as well as some of the Northern companies that have already carried off fortunes of gold from her bosom to wage a reign of panics, "hard times" and starvation upon us. But I have said enough on the gold question; suffice it to say, there is gold to be and will be found.

The fruit crop, although it has been beset with cold, frost and snow, I am in hopes will not be an entire failure. I see yet some peaches plums left, and apples had not advanced enough to be all killed. With this hope, and that of a bountiful crop of blackberries, your correspondent keeps his spirits buoyed up with a hope of better times—but should these crops be killed by a still later frost, I fear the result will be fatal to him if not others.

Yours Respectfully,  
W. H. D.

Mr. John Satterwaite, of Granville county, aged 64 years, cured himself effectually of consumption, after the doctors gave him up to die, by using the following recipe: One pint of liquor and four tablespoonfuls of old fat lightwood knot sawdust. Dose, one tablespoonful three times a day. Cut mullen leaves in July or August, dry them, and make a tea, not too strong, and use night and morning in place of coffee. Mix with sugar and milk to suit taste. Drink one cup full. It is not well to take too much. Mr. Satterwaite still continues the use of the mullen tea, and has great faith in it. He is now hale and hearty, and says the recipe has cured several other consumptives in that county who stood upon the very brink of the grave, says the Torch-Light.

The South Carolina Democratic Convention will meet in Columbia on the 4th of May. It will appoint delegates to St. Louis, and transact such other business as may be deemed necessary.

## The Silver Bill.

Both Houses of Congress have passed the following bill, and there is, we imagine, no doubt that the President will sign it:

That there be, and hereby is, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$163,000, to provide for engraving, printing and other expenses of making and issuing United States notes, and the further sum of \$48,000 to provide for engraving and printing National Bank notes, to be disbursed under the Secretary of the Treasury.

Section 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to issue silver coins of the United States of the denominations of ten, twenty-five and fifty cents, of standard value, in redemption of an equal amount of fractional currency, whether the same be now in the Treasury waiting redemption, or whenever it may be presented for redemption, and the Secretary of the Treasury may, under regulations of the Treasury Department, provide for such redemption and issue by substitution at the regular sub-Treasury and public depositories of the United States until the whole amount of fractional currency outstanding shall be redeemed; and the fractional currency redeemed under this act shall be held to be a part of the sinking fund provided for by existing law, the interest to be computed thereon as in the case of bonds redeemed under the acts relating to the sinking fund.

MONTGOMERY BLAIR FOR TILDEN.—Montgomery Blair has written a long letter urging the claims of Gov. Tilden, of New York, for the Presidency, and alleges as a reason, that New York will be the great battle-ground of the coming campaign, and he thinks that Tilden is the only man who can carry the State. We agree with Montgomery in thinking that it is of vital importance that the Democracy should carry New York, and if Tilden is the only man who can do so, we say let's trot out Mr. Tilden.

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Mrs. COVINGTON'S Picture Gallery is now completed, and she is doing some fine work. Call and see specimens. Gallery two doors West of Stewart's old stand. Feb 12, 76.

The following are the quotations for the Monroe Cotton Market for the week ending Saturday April 15th: Good Middling, 12 @ 12 1/2; Middling, 11 1/2 @ 12; Low Middling, 11 @ 11 1/2; Stains, 7 @ 9.

## Outlines.

Contesting delegates excluded from South Carolina Republican Convention.—Senator Spencer introduced a bill "to prevent panics."—A bill regulating third-class postage passed House yesterday.—House passed Senate bill admitting New Mexico as a State, to be called Montezuma.—Advance reported in silver in England.—The work of investigation goes bravely on at Washington.—Large number of bills introduced in Congress.—London Times reports stagnation in money market.—Fifty-six persons indicted in U. S. Circuit Court at Baltimore under enforcement act, discharged in consequence of recent decision of Supreme Court.—Secretary Fish becomes a whale in dealing with England in the Winslow case.—Appropriation Committee concur in Senate amendments to silver bill.—Lively times in the Radical State Convention at Columbia, S. C.; Elliott draws a pistol on Mackey.—Senator Sargent, of California, called on to explain by a Congress Committee. Indications are that Chamberlain will control the South Carolina Radical delegation for Bristow, or Blaine as second choice.—Col. Whildy seeks an indictment against the Washington Republican for libel.—New York markets 13th; Cotton, 13 1/2 @ 13 3/4 cents.

## MONROE MARKET.

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Butter, 18 @ 20  
Cheese, 18 @ 20  
Pork, 8 @ 10  
Beef, 5 @ 6  
Beeswax, 25 @ 30  
Tallow, 8 @ 10  
Rice, 10 @ 13  
Coffee, 25 @ 35  
Sugar, 10 @ 15  
S. Potatoes, 80 @ 85  
I. Potatoes, 80 @ 85  
Corn, 80 @ 85  
Meal, 80 @ 85  
Oats, 45 @ 50  
Flour, 35 @ 40  
Chickens, 20 @ 25  
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April 15-46-47.

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FOR COMMISSIONERS  
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April 17-46-47.

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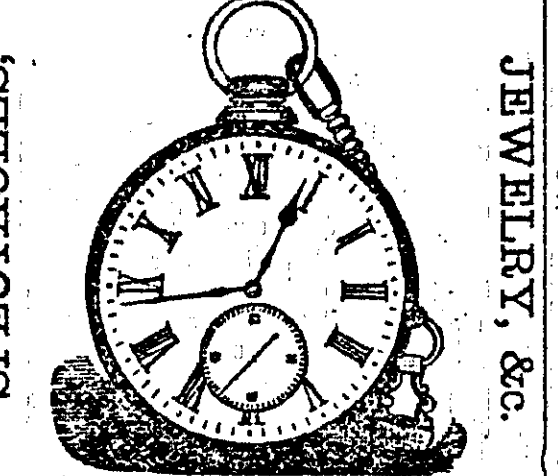
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Feb. 28. 39-2m.

## Union County, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

G. W. Helms, Adm'r of Jonathan Norcott, dec'd, Plaintiff,

AGAINST

Wm. J. Norcott, Brown Crump and wife, Apsey Crump, James Crump and wife, Rebecca Crump, and others, heirs of J. Norcott, dec'd, Defendants.

## State of North Carolina,

To the Sheriff of Union County.—Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to summon W. J. Norcott, M. M. Norcott, Brown Crump and Apsey Crump, his wife, James Crump and wife, Rebecca Crump, and others, heirs at law of Jonathan Norcott, the Defendants above named, if they be found in your county, to be and appear before the Clerk of our Superior Court and Judge of Probate, at a Court to be held for the County of Union at the Court House in Monroe, within 20 days after the service of this summons on them and answer the petition the complaint which is deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, within the first 20 days after the service thereof, and let the said defendants take notice that if they fail to answer said petition and complaint within that time the plaintiff will take judgment against them for the relief demanded.

Hereof fail not, and of this summons make due return.

Witness, S. H. Walkup, Clerk of said Court at office in Monroe, this eighth Monday after the second Monday in August, 1876, and in the 100th year of American Independence.

Issued the 13th day of March, 1876.

S. H. WALKUP, Clerk.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court in the above case, on the affidavit of petitioner, that Brown Crump and wife, Apsey Crump, Jas. Crump and wife, Rebecca Crump, are non-residents of this State; it is therefore, on motion, ordered that publication be made, for six successive weeks, in the Monroe Enquirer, a newspaper published in said county, notifying said defendants to appear within 20 days after the expiration of said notice at the Clerk's office of the Superior Court of Union County, at the Court House in Monroe, and plead, answer or demur to said petition, or the case will be heard ex parte as to them. Witness,

S. H. WALKUP, C. S. C.

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April 3-44-47.

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Poultry Food.

Cook your poultry food in part, and feed it, at least once a day this cold weather (in the morning is the best time), while it is hot. Mix with this soft feed, which should be composed of meal and vegetables, a little salt, and occasionally a small quantity of powdered charcoal and pepper. This renders it warming, cleansing and palatable to the birds.

The value of potatoes, turnips, etc., thus cooked with bran and corn-meal, is not generally appreciated; it keeps the fowls in good heart, and is altogether economical, as well. The scraps from the table can be used up with this feed, and all the dry bits of the family may thus be utilized. If you keep but a few, one-half their cost of feeding may thus be saved. If you have large numbers to provide for, the expense for food is greatly lessened, in the long run; by this process, and your birds will be quite the better for this treatment, instead of limiting them to dry grain and "cold victuals" continually. Fresh vegetables are valuable for their nutritive material, and for the assistance they afford in digestion.

WHAT CONSTITUTES A FARMER—The following is from an address delivered by Major William Sykes, at Brownsville, Tenn., in 1864:

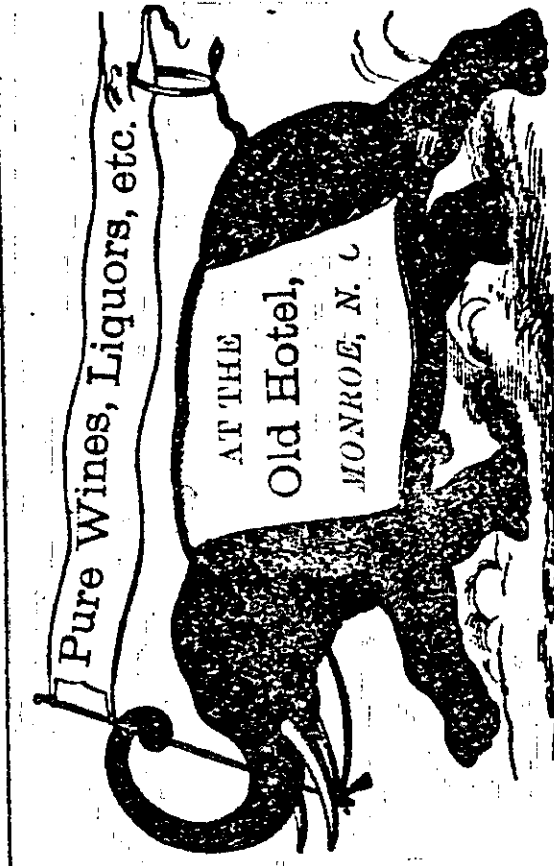
To be a perfect farmer a man should combine reading, observation and practice. A man may work all his life in the field and be a poor farmer. We should gain knowledge by reading and study, and also by what we see around us, and then this knowledge must be put in practice. Our views, if they will not stand the test of actual experiments, are worthless. All sound theory is based on practice; all sensible practice is the result of well-grounded information, whether obtained from our own observation or from the experience of others. That theory which will not stand the test of experience is worthless, and that practice which is not based on sound theory is equally worthless.

DEEP PLOWING.—Deep plowing is good practice when you have a deep soil. It is better for some crops than for others. Plow deeper for roots than for grain, and especially for corn, since in our short summers corn will mature quicker if the roots are not obliged to go down into a cold sub-soil for nutriment. But with shallow plowing you must have plenty of plant food mixed with the surface soil, since you desire to confine the roots to that for the sake of the warmth. But above all, beware of deep plowing in a shallow soil.

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The publishers of Wild Oats point with pride to the wholly unexampled success of their paper, and, pledging themselves that it shall be in the future even better than in the past, they ask a continuation of the kind patronage which has placed it at the head and front of American humorous papers.

We have made arrangements which will enable us to present Wild Oats in a brighter and better style than heretofore, having recently taken possession of our new publication office, and had fine copper-faced type cast especially for us, together with all the vast paraphernalia required in the production of such a paper as we give the public at the low price of ten cents per copy.

We have also made arrangements with some new artists, and shall at the same time retain such old favorites as Thomas Worth, Frank Bellows, Hopkins, Wolf, Wales, Frank Beard, Babes, Oppor, Stockhardt, Rothengatter, Ben Day, Kuttels, Palmer Cox, Mann, Kingsbury, Sill, White, Sperry, Eaton, Shuldou, and the editorial department will still remain in the hands of its founder, the vivacious Bricketop, of whom enough is known without more being said.

As an additional inducement to subscribe for the Centennial year, we have prepared a comic chromo the crowning effort of that graphic month, Hopkins. It is a work of art, worthy of an elegant frame, and is worth at least one-half the price asked for the subscription. It is a large piece, being a burlesque of Mazzapa tied to the back of the fiery, untamed steed. A copy will be sent to each subscriber during the year.

Advertisers are beginning to find out that Wild Oats reaches a greater number of live men than any other illustrated paper in America, and therefore it is a first-class medium of advertising.

OGBURN & ARMFIELD, MONROE, N. C.

**LIVERY AND SALE STABLE.**  
The undersigned give notice that they are still in the above business, at Monroe, and have constantly on hand a fine lot of HORSES AND MULES.

Of all grades, from the nimble jacks to a steady pacer to the sturdy farm and draft horse. Our Mules are as intelligent, as faithful and diligent, as can be found in any equine collection, and we feel warranted in assuring the public that we can give as good bargains in horseflesh as can be obtained anywhere in the State.

**EXCHANGING.**  
Besides the business of selling horses, we also buy and swap. While we don't deny that we can be beaten in a swap, yet to keep things lively we are always ready for a trade. So give us a call, all you who wish to buy, sell or swap.

**HORSE DROVERS.**  
Will, at all times, find ample accommodations at our Stables for their stock—attentive hostlers, clean, airy stables, plenty of provender and reasonable charges.

**LIVERY DEPARTMENT.**  
Horses and Vehicles hired, and careful drivers to convey travelers to any point. This branch of our business is never neglected, and we are prepared to furnish easy saddle horses, or teams and carriage, at the most favorable prices.

**ATTENTION!**  
**B. D. HEATH & CO.,**  
DEALERS in Merchandise generally, once more invite the attention of their many customers to the fact that they are now able to offer unusual inducements in their varied stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, in fact, almost everything kept in a first-class general store. We make a specialty of FLOUR, TONNO, and FERTILIZERS. Have on hand and to arrive in the next ten days,

**400 BARRELS FLOUR,** which was bought for cash, and will be sold at the lowest price. We only ask a call and examination of same. To convince the closest buyer, we will sell you a good barrel of Flour at \$6.25; a common barrel at \$5.50. We also keep constantly on hand a large stock of Zeke and Wanda.

**FERTILIZERS,** which we sell at reasonable prices, payable in Mitting Cotton, at 15 cents per pound last November next. Our

**TERMS ARE CASH** for everything except Fertilizers. We find from experience that the pay-down system is the best for both buyer and seller, from the fact that every tub then sets on its own bottom. Otherwise, men that will pay have to pay a large per cent to make up losses on those who do not pay. All we ask is, when you come to Monroe, call and get a price before you buy.

B. D. HEATH & CO.,  
Monroe, N. C.  
March 6-40-4f.

At Old Stand.

Having bought the interest of Mr. R. W. Sehorn in the business lately conducted by Sehorn & Braden, I take this method of informing the public that I can be found at the old stand, where I keep on hand at all times, a full supply of

**FINE WINES AND LIQUORS,**  
Cigars,  
Tobacco,  
**LAGER BEER, &c.**  
Be sure and give me a call, and you will be satisfied. Next door to Central Hotel, Monroe, N. C.  
A. R. BRADEN  
March 6-40-4y.

STIEFF GRAND, SQUARE & UPRIGHT PIANOS

Have received the highest encomiums wherever they have been introduced. Made of the very best material throughout, they are everywhere admired at prices that will compare favorably with those of any first-class manufacture on this continent. The best is always the cheapest, and hence purchasers of STIEFF Pianos will find a satisfactory equivalent for their money.

The lasting quality of their instruments is fully attested by the many Educational and other Institutions, in the Southern States, especially, where over 400 are in daily use, and by the unanimous verdict of the best performers of this and other countries. Terms as favorable as is consistent with the times, and every instrument fully warranted for five years.

We are also Sole Agents for the Southern States of the

**"MATCHLESS BURDETT ORGANS,"** of every style for themselves. A full supply of every style constantly in store, and sold on the most reasonable terms.

Fifty Second-hand Pianos always on hand, at prices ranging from \$75 to \$300. For Illustrated Catalogue, address,

CHAS. M. STIEFF,  
N. 9 North Liberty Street,  
BALTIMORE, Md.  
Jan. 24, '76-34-1y.

THE Big Coffee Pot. TINSHOP

HAVING MOVED MY TINSHOP to the new building in rear of J. D. Stewart's old stand, I announce to the public that I am now better prepared than ever to furnish any and all kinds of

**TIN WARE.**  
Has a full stock of Cooking and Heating Stoves on hand at all times, which are offered at low prices. Is prepared to do STENCIL WORK, and can cut letters from half inch to six inches. Tinware sold at wholesale as low as prices as can be had in any Northern market.

**LOOK OUT FOR THE BIG COFFEE POT**  
J. W. RUDGE.  
Aug. 30, 1875-14-4f.

**THE People's Bank of Monroe.**  
H. M. HOUSTON, PRESIDENT  
E. A. ARMFIELD, CASHIER

**Board of Directors,**  
M. AUSTIN, T. D. WINCHESTER,  
J. D. STEWART, J. C. HAMILTON,  
C. AUSTIN, JACKSON SIMPSON,  
A. F. STEVENSON, A. H. CROWELL,  
H. M. HOUSTON.

This Bank is now open for the transaction of a regular Banking Business: will receive Deposits of Coin and Currency, allowing interest on same; loans and discounts made on liberal terms; will deal in bonds, stocks, and other securities; Gold and Silver Coin bought and sold; loans made on real estate, cotton and store, &c., on liberal terms.

**LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL**  
I am now dealing in all kinds of Building Materials, and am prepared to sell Doors, Sash, Blinds, Pine, Walnut and Oak Lumber at a little lower prices than any other person in this market. A good stock of the above goods kept on hand at my Lumber Yard in Monroe, at all times.

My Saw Mill and Planing Machine is still in full operation, under the supervision of S. J. Willoughby and J. C. Young, and I am prepared to furnish dressed lumber at the following prices per 1000 feet:

Weather Boards and other Lumber, dressed on one side, but not jointed, \$14 50  
Bastard Ceiling and Flooring, dried, dressed and matched, \$20 00  
Quartered Ceiling & Flooring, dried, dressed and matched, \$22 50

Common Lumber in the rough, 20 feet in length, and under, \$12 50 per 1000 feet. Lumber from 20 to 30 feet long is worth \$2 50 per 1000 extra, and from 30 to 35 feet is worth \$7 50 per 1000 extra. Special Lumber for Sash, Doors, Window and Door Frames, \$5 00 per 1000 extra.

Post Oak, for Fence Posts, per 1000 feet, \$15 00  
Oak Wagon Timber, per 1000 feet, 20 00  
Picked Heart Lumber for Fencing, per 1000 feet, \$15 00

The above are the prices for Lumber at the Mills, and 20 cents per 100 will be added for hauling any Lumber delivered in Monroe.

I have some one and two-story Dwelling Houses in Monroe, just put up, which I offer for sale; or I have some unimproved lots on which I will build Houses to suit purchaser. Two of the unimproved lots lie near the public square, and are suitable for business houses, with room on either one for a dwelling also. I will also take building contracts and furnish all the material and put up any kind of a house that might be wanted.

Thanking the public for past patronage, I would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same, pledging myself to do all I can for their interests.

T. C. WILLOUGHBY,  
Monroe, Oct. 12, 1875-20-1y.

Old Eyes Made New!

From experience, we know that every person

**OLD** enough to use Glasses, has found great difficulty in procuring such as will prove satisfactory. Elderly

**GENTS AND LADIES** can get rid of this difficulty by going to H. SMITH'S JEWELRY STORE, where they will find a great quantity of Spectacles

**MADE** expressly to save the eyes from losing their sight, and any one procuring a pair of these fine pebble glasses will see as when

**YOUNG.**  
A great quantity on hand from which to select a pair, and at prices ranging from 25 cents to \$3.00.  
H. SMITH.  
Dec. 7-27-4f.

**J. H. STEVENS, Hous. & Sign Painter.**  
Would respectfully inform the citizens of Monroe that he is fully prepared to undertake and execute all work in his line, with promptness. All kinds of Graining beautifully and artistically done with Bestine's Graining Machines, transferring the natural growth of the wood. Doors, Mantels, &c., re-grained at low rates. A portion of the public patronage solicited. All orders left at the Drug Store of W. H. Smith & Co. will receive prompt attention. Refers, by permission, to Dr. T. W. Bickett, Dr. V. H. Smith, and T. C. Willoughby, Esq.  
Feb. 21-33-4f.

Stevens & Co., DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, and SHOES, ALSO A FULL LINE OF GROCERIES.

**OUR FALL STOCK IS NOW COMPLETE,** INCLUDING A LARGE LOT OF FURNITURE, AND OFFERED ON OUR USUAL FAVORABLE TERMS.

Monroe, N. C.  
Oct. 26, 1875-22-4f.

NEW FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

**AT WINCHESTER, STITT & CO'S.**

Our Mr. T. D. Winchester has just returned from the Northern markets where he has purchased a new and very select stock of Fall and Winter Goods, which are now being received in store, and which will be sold at low prices, for cash.

Our Stock comprises a full assortment of STAPLE and FANCY DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS and SHOES, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, BAGGING and TIES, and in fact, we keep almost everything usually found in a General Stock.

We return our thanks for past encouragement, and respectfully invite the public to call and examine our Goods and hear our prices before buying elsewhere.

WINCHESTER, STITT & CO.,  
Oct. 5-19.

BARNES NICHOLS & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail dealers in FURNITURE, BEDDING, &c., &c. Chamber and Parlor Sets, Bureaus, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Washstands, Tables, Chairs, of every description.

A full assortment of everything pertaining to our business. We carry a large stock, and can offer inducements to the trade. We solicit a call. No. 5 West Trade Street, CHARLOTTE, N. C. 49-1y.

BARNES' FOOT-POWER SCROLL SAWS AND LATHES.

\$5 00 to \$11 50 every day per day these Machines. All wood workers should use them. Boys can make \$5 per day with them, besides learning a profitable trade. For a sample of sawing send 25 cents for The Mystic Puzzle, or Yankee's Dream. We send it by mail. Say where you read this, and address, for full description

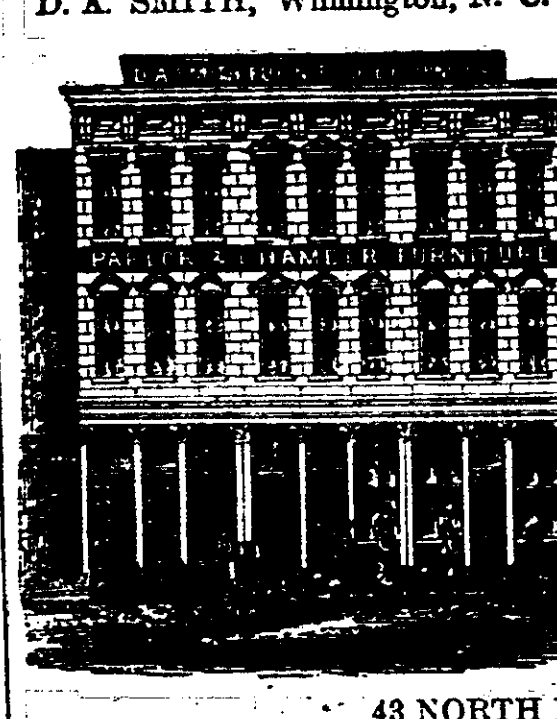
W. F. & JOHN BARNES, Rockford, Wisconsin, Ill.  
Box 2,044.  
\$11.50 AVERAGED PER DAY.

Fulton, Mo., Dec. 14th, 1875. Messrs. W. F. & JOHN BARNES, Rockford, Ill.—Gentlemen: I sawed 110 feet for balustrade for portico, and 15 brackets, in first two days running. Every one who has witnessed the working of the Saw has pronounced it the most useful machine ever invented. I have been working from twelve to sixteen men, and have done all my shop work (scroll sawing) on your machine, running it daily since I purchased it, and have paid nothing for repair, except for saws, which amount was comparatively small. Three weeks since I purchased some imported woods and some nice designs, and turned my attention to fret work. I have averaged per day, since that time, \$11.50. I know of no occupation as pleasant and profitable for a mechanic to spend his winter days as the above. Your machine runs so lightly and easily that it will not tire the most delicate man after a little practice; in fact, I consider your machine indispensable to any carpenter, however small his business is, as he can introduce the little machine to his scrap pile, and make enough brackets in one week to pay for his machine. I consider my machine just as essential in my shop as a set of bench planes.

M. FRED BELL, Architect and Builder.  
Address, for full information, W. F. & JOHN BARNES, Box 2,044, Rockford, Illinois.  
March 6-40-6m.

**\$5 TO \$20** per day. Agents wanted. All classes of work, male or female, young and old, make more money at work for us in their own localities, during their spare moments, or all the time, than at any thing else. We offer employment that will pay handsomely for every hour's work. Full particulars, terms, &c., sent free. Send us your address at once. Don't delay. Now is the time. Don't look for work or business elsewhere, until you have learned what we offer.

G. STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine.  
6-1y.



WILMINGTON, N. C.

N. B.—A full stock of Metallic Cases, and Wood Coffins always on hand. Orders by telegraph promptly attended to.  
Wilmington, N. C., May 4th, 1875-49-1y.

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Feb 28-39-2

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**A FAIR EXCHANGE.**

**THE CELEBRATED FERTILIZER, WILCOX, GIBBS & CO.'S MANIPULATED GUANO!**

Is offered on the following liberal terms:—On Credit to 1st November, 1876, with option of paying in Cotton on the basis of 17 cents for Middling, delivered at Planter's nearest depot, (planter paying expenses on Guano to destination),..... \$70.00

**THE ADVANTAGE** to the Farmer in buying on these terms is plain, as he will know when he buys the Guano, that 412 pounds Cotton (Middling) will pay for it, no matter how low the price may be, and can make his calculations accordingly. The quality of THIS GUANO IS UNEQUALLED, as has been thoroughly established by the use of the MANY THOUSAND TONS we have sold. Our Agents sell on the same terms.

**WILCOX, GIBBS & CO.,**  
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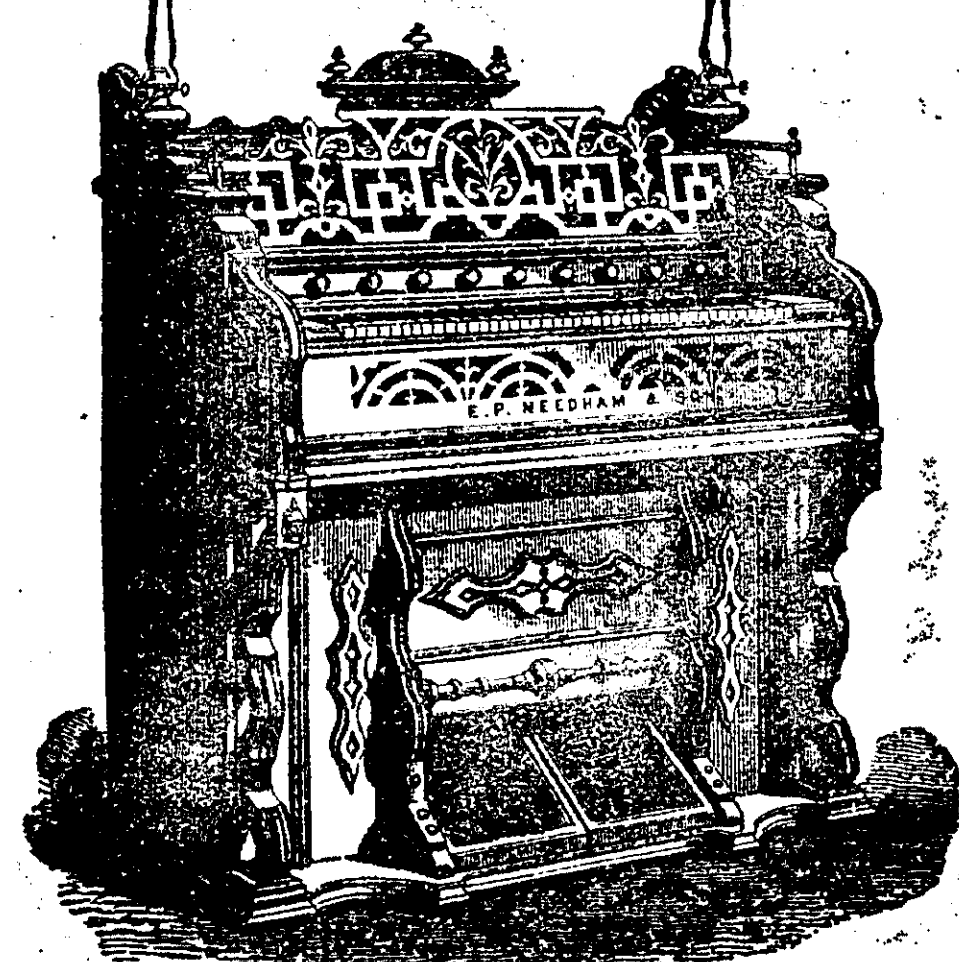
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A very desirable STORE ROOM on Depot street, near business part of town. Suitable for a Millinery establishment or Confectionery. Apply to  
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