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The Monroe Enquirer.

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One Square, of ten lines, first insertion, \$1.00. Each subsequent insertion, 50c. Obituaries, Fifty Cents per square.

Selected Poetry.

WHAT OF THAT? Tired! Well, what of that? Didst fancy life was spent on beds of ease, Fluttering the rose leaves scattered by the breeze?

Selected Story.

THE WARDEN'S DAUGHTER.

Marion Hyde was a cripple, but for all that she was beautiful. Her father was a warden in a prison. Among the prisoners was one at the registering of whose name at the entrance Marion had been present, and something in his youthful though sullen face attracted her pitiful glance.

Miscellaneous.

Canine Sagacity.

Wonders of an Alabama Lake.

The following well known story is a strong example of the great intelligence which may be developed in a dog by careful training: A fashionably-dressed English gentleman was one day crossing one of the bridges over the Seine at Paris, when he felt something knock against his legs, and looking down, he found that a small poodle dog had rubbed against him and covered his boots with mud.

Pleasant Paragraphs.

A young lady recently said to her lover: "You may be too late for the cars but you can take a 'bus'; and the stupid fellow went to look for a 'bus'." A Kentucky woodsman, seeing a wagon for the first time, watched it closely, expecting the hind wheels would catch up with the fore wheels and 'smash the whole riggin'.

Telegraphic Stations in Mid-Ocean.

The idea seems now to be perfectly practicable—unless unforeseen difficulties present themselves—of establishing telegraphic stations in mid-ocean, by which messages may be sent from any part of the sea along the line of cable to the terminal points on shore, and vice versa, so that communication with iron-clad mail steamers and other vessels, when out at sea, may be established.

Miscellaneous.

Canine Sagacity.

Wonders of an Alabama Lake.

At the Dickson place, on Bullard Creek, near six-mile Station, is a ten-acre field which is nothing more nor less than a subterranean lake, covered with soil about eighteen inches deep. On the soil is cultivated a field of corn, which will produce thirty or forty bushels to the acre.

Miscellaneous.

Canine Sagacity.

Wonders of an Alabama Lake.

A Philadelphia newspaper man, who saved a little money during the flush times, lately did his first travelling. On his return home the first thing he wrote was some "advice to travelers." His advice was as follows: "For travelling, carry a crow-bar to open car windows; a Spencer or Henry-Matan rifle for protection against hackmen and hotel clerks; a good supply of equable temper, and a large valise to contain greenbacks."

Farm and Household



Twelve Rules for Old Fogies.

A great deal is said in praise of progressive farmers, and many wise maxims are worked out for them; but the old foggy farmer, who is in the attentions of these writers and speakers? Not a word is said in praise of the old foggy farmer, and not a rule is laid down for application to his style of the profession. Is this right? Is it doing as one would be done by? Certainly not, and as the Journal of Progress does things in accordance with a way of its own, it shall hereby and hereon proceed to "bolt" from the prevailing fashion to the extent of a kind word for the old farmer, and a dozen excellent rules for his government. The old foggy farmer may never know anything about it, as he is not much of a hand to read newspapers, but no matter; we will have shown our good intentions, and that is enough.

Good old foggy farmer, you are not a bad kind of a man, as a general rule. You are only a little old stilled in your ways and plans of operations—that's all. You attend to your own business, and manage it after your own plan; and if it don't pay you as well as might pay you under a different kind of management, why that is your own look out. Exercise the rights of an American citizen by doing just as you please with your own affairs. Now here are twelve nice little maxims for you:

1. Don't read farm books or agricultural papers. Your father never read them and therefore you know they are of no kind of use whatever.

2. Don't try to enrich your land by the application of manure. As if you could mend the works of nature! Besides, manure is offensive both to sight and smell.

3. Don't plough deep—it will fatigue both yourself and your team.

4. Never mind the weeds. They grow in response to the will of nature. Better mind your own business and leave the weeds to mind their's and be done with it.

5. Buy your tools and implements at the administrator's sale of some old foggy. They will cost you but little there, and when they are worn out and worthless you will not have lost much.

6. Never take your tools from the field. If you leave them right where you finished working this year, they will be on the spot where you want them when you are ready to resume work next year.

7. When you see a rail down, don't waste time stopping to put it up. Wait till the whole fence comes down, and then you will have a job worth joking after.

8. Always keep the cheapest and most common stock to be had. Being of little value they cannot count up much when you give in your taxes.

9. Feed your stock as little as possible. The less feed the less outlay.

10. Stick to the same crop on the same ground. It is childish to appear "notionate."

11. Never change seeds. Bear in mind that it is always best to leave well enough alone.

12. Become a politician, and though the crop should fail of neglect, devote your best energies towards assisting the office seekers to save the country.

Why Orchards Decay.

Frequently we are asked why orchards decay so much earlier than they did formerly. This is a very natural question, and can be answered upon perfectly scientific principles. In planting out apple trees, it is generally believed that one will not flourish well where another formerly occupied. This is not because the tree leaves any taint in the soil, but from the fact that the former tree has exhausted the nitrogen of the soil according to scientific investigation, than has been more fully generally believed. It is therefore absolutely necessary to manure freely every year, restoring the nitrogenous properties of the soil, to make the trees insure a crop each year. As it now is, most trees yield only every other season. A noted French scientist reports to the scientific association, that apple trees contain nitrogen in the leaves 15 parts to the thousand; in the fruit 2 1/2 parts; in the wood, 5 parts; in all 22 parts of its weight are borrowed from the soil every year and these must be returned to it, or the tree will not produce to its full capacity, and in about 45 years the whole productive quality of the soil is consumed, hence the gradual dying out to be seen in the orchards of the country.

To peach, cherry, pear, and all other fruit trees, the same remarks are applicable. Chemical analysis will teach us what are the necessary elements for plant food, with the various classes of fruit trees, and experience will also teach us that unless the soil is supplied with these elements, there can be no fruit. In the early settlement of the country, the necessary plant food existed in much larger quantities than at present, therefore, trees were more flourishing, and bore larger and more certain crops of fruit. The time will come when science will come to the fruit grower's aid by the general spread of agricultural intelligence, when we will find the lives of trees will become prolonged, possibly to double the present space, and failure in crops will be almost unheard of. Let the nature of the trees and soil be a matter of study and understanding among our fruit men, and then, and not till then, may we expect to see orchards what they should become, and the dread of loss every year from frosts and blight will cease to annoy our farmers and orchardists.

H. M. Houston & Co.,

NOW HAVE IN STORE
A NEW AND COMPLETE
STOCK OF
FALL AND
WINTER GOODS
At Prices to Suit the Times,
OUR STOCK OF
LADIES' HATS,
ARE BOTH
STYLISH, CHEAP
AND VERY PRETTY.
We also have a Large Line of
DRESS GOODS,
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES,
AND JEANS
FOR WINTER WEAR
AN ATTRACTIVE STOCK OF
SHOES AND HATS,
AT PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.
H. M. HOUSTON & CO.
Nov. 13-1876-24-4f.

Winchester, Stitt & Co.

HAVE
JUST RECEIVED
A FULL ASSORTMENT OF
FALL AND
WINTER GOODS
OF THE
Latest and Neatest Styles
WHICH ARE OFFERED
Cheaper than Ever
Don't fail to call and see our goods
before you make your purchases. Our
NEW STOCK
Comprises the general assortment of
Goods usually kept in a
FIRST CLASS
RETAIL STORE.
WINCHESTER, STITT & CO.
Monroe, N. C., Nov. 13th 24-1876.
AT THE
CONFECTIONERY.
FRESH ARRIVALS OF
RED APPLES,
AND
SWEET ORANGES.
BEST
SODA BISCUITS,
DATES,
ROASTED COFFEE,
CANNED GOODS
ALSO A FINE ARTICLE OF
NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES.
ALL CHEAP FOR
READY MONEY.
GO TO Mrs. WOLFE'S Confectionery for your
FANCY GROCERIES.
January 29th-34-2f.

CHANGE IN BUSINESS.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING bought the interest of Mr. W. H. Trott in the firm of Trott, Crowell & Co. will continue the business at the old stand, under the name and style of
A. H. CROWELL & SON.

All persons indebted to the old firm must come up, and make immediate settlement, as we are compelled to wind up the old business at once.

A. H. CROWELL & SON,
A. M. CROWELL.

BEG LEAVE TO REMIND THEIR MANY friends and customers that they still occupy the same old stand, on Depot Street, where they have in store a full stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE, consisting of

DRY GOODS,
GROCERIES,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
HATS AND CAPS.

NOTIONS, and many other articles, too numerous to mention.

CASH BUYERS should not fail to see us before buying, as we can make it to their interest to do so.

THOSE WHO OWE US are respectfully reminded that NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO SETTLE, and that EARLY PAYMENTS will much oblige us.

Respectfully,
A. H. CROWELL & SON,
Dec. 2, 1876. 26ft

FAIR DEALING
to merit a continuance of the same in the future.
B. D. HEATH & CO.,
Monroe, N. C. Oct. 19-21-4f.

THE CHARLOTTE BOOK BINDERY A SUCCESS.

The Charlotte Book Bindery has now been Established only Four Months. Yet the great number of patrons the Bindery has already secured, conclusively shows the great need there was of such a

Home Institution.

And it also testifies to the great satisfaction of such parties as have entrusted work to it.
Cheaper than he can send North and have the same class of work done.

This is evident to every one who will consider the cost of Expressage and the fact of the Bindery employing its own hands.

Books Bound in all Styles at Lowest Rates

Paper ruled up any Pattern and Blank Books of any kind or quality Manufactured at this office.

Patronize Home Industry.

Orders solicited, to which prompt attention will be given. Address
H. L. KOLLSCH,
Proprietor Charlotte Book Bindery,
13-4f. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

150 Distinct BOOKS \$2500
A Year. Agents Wanted, on our Grand Commission prospectus, representing

\$66 a week in your own town. Terms and \$5 outfit free. **H. HARLETT & CO.,** Portland, Maine.

The Little Rock and Fort Smith **RAILWAY**
HAS FOR SALE
Farming Lands, Grazing Lands, Fruit Lands, Vine Lands, Coal Lands, Wood Lands, some Prairie Lands, Bottom Lands, and Uplands, on TERMS TO SUIT THE PURCHASER. SIX PER CENT. interest on deferred payments. VERY LIBERAL discount for cash. For full particulars, maps and pamphlets, apply to **W. D. SLACK,** Land Commissioner, Little Rock, Arkansas.

\$12 a day at home. Agents wanted. Outfit and terms free. **TRUE & CO.,** Augusta, Maine.

35 EXTRA FINE MIXED CARDS with 35 name, 10 cts., post-paid. **L. JONES & CO.,** Nassau, N. Y.

\$55 to \$77 a week to Agents. Samples FREE. **P. O. VICKERY,** Augusta, Maine.

\$500 A MONTH TO Active Men selling our Letter Copying Book. No press, brush or water used. Sample Copy worth \$3.00 sent free. Send stamp for circulars. **WYPER BROTHERS,** 39 Madison, and 131 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

\$5 to \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$5 free. **STANSON & CO.,** Portland, Maine.

Newspaper Advertising Agents.
GEO. P. ROWELL & CO.,
41 PARK ROW, N. Y.

They have the satisfaction of controlling the most extensive and complete advertising connection which has ever been secured, and one which would be hardly possible in any other country but this. They have succeeded in working down a complex business into so thoroughly a systematic method that no change in the newspaper system of America can escape their notice, while the wide information upon all topics interesting to advertisers is placed readily at the disposal of the public. —Extract from New York Times, June 14th, 1875.

Send for Circular.

THE PEOPLE'S DRUG STORE.

The subscribers beg leave to inform their friends and the public generally that they have purchased the Stock and Furniture of the above house, and that they are
Now Receiving
AT THE OLD STAND,
A LARGE STOCK OF
PURE DRUGS,
MEDICINES,
and other articles usually kept in a
First Class Drug Store.
Quick Sales, at Short Profits!
WILL BE OUR MOTTO.
Hoping to receive a continuance of the large patronage hitherto extended to this house, we will endeavor to sell
PURE ARTICLES
at such low figures for cash that everybody will ascertain that "The People's Drug Store" is the place to buy their drugs.

ENGLISH & ASHCRAFT,
Monroe, N. C., Oct. 9-19-4f.

Landscape Gardening.
I am now prepared to contract for laying off Flower Gardens, Parks, Cemeteries, &c. I have a splendid stock of plants of all kinds used for ornamental planting, and will sell them as cheap as they can be bought anywhere. Also, winter flowering green-house plants in variety. Tulips, Hyacinths, &c. for full planting. Rustic Baskets, Bouquets of choice flowers at all times, winter and summer. Send for price lists to
JAMES M. LAMB, Florist,
Fayetteville, N. C.
Oct. 16-20-6m.

Valentines!

A NICE LOT OF VALENTINES JUST RECEIVED at
Mrs. WOLFE'S CONFECTIONERY.
CALL EARLY and get first choice.
Jan. 29, '76-34-2f.

Burgess 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. June 15th 1876-3-1y.

LUMBER! LUMBER! LUMBER!
Contracts Taken —FOR—
HOUSE BUILDING!

I WOULD RESPECTFULLY STATE TO the public that I am again prepared to furnish any kind of PINE LUMBER for House Building, at
LOW RATES.
I am also prepared to make building contracts, furnish material and hands, and put up houses of any usual style. Persons desiring to build, or buy Lumber, will consent their interest by calling on me, and getting my estimates and prices.
Respectfully,
T. C. WILLOUGHBY,
Monroe, N. C., Dec. 7, 1876-28ft.

DISSOLUTION.
THE FIRM OF W. H. SMITH & CO., Druggists, was dissolved on the 26th of last October, by the death of Col. S. H. Walkup. The business will be continued at our new store, (Stewart's new brick corner) by Dr. W. H. Smith, Dr. T. W. Bickett, and J. W. Griffin, surviving partners, under the name and style of W. H. Smith & Co.

POSITIVE NOTICE.

All accounts due the late firm of W. H. SMITH & CO., must be settled up at once. Owing to the death of our much esteemed partner, Col. Walkup, we cannot give longer indulgence. Come forward, and settle NOW, while there is money, and don't force us to the unpleasantness of collecting by law. We are now receiving a full stock of

DRUGS,
MEDICINES,
CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES,
Paints, Oils, Dye-Stuffs.

Also, the Finest Stock of
PERFUMERY
—AND—
TOILET ARTICLES
EVER OFFERED IN THIS MARKET.
to which we cordially invite an examination, and will sell on our usual favorable terms.
Very Respectfully,
W. H. SMITH & CO.,
Monroe, N. C., Dec. 4, 1876-27-4f.

JACKSON FOREST ACADEMY,
Walkersville P. O.,
Union County, N. C.

The next session of this well organized school will open on the 19th of January, 1877, and continues twenty weeks; and then, after a vacation of six weeks, the second session for 1877 will open.
Terms of tuition liberal. Good board can be had in the neighborhood at low rates. For further particulars, address
J. M. CURLEE, Principal,
Jan. 19, '77-33-4f.

Small Farm For Sale.
One mile from Monroe, good buildings, good well of water, lies well for improving, contains one hundred acres or more,
Address
W. H. TROTT,
Sept. 18th 16-4f.

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ONE TOWN LOT,
on which is situated two dwelling houses; sold to satisfy the mortgage aforesaid.
F. H. BARBER,
Jan. 27, '77-34-4ds.

FOR SALE.
I offer for sale for cash or on easy terms, three secured, two medium sized Mare Mules, three years old, not yet fully broken. Call on or address
ELISHA STANSELL,
Six miles West of Monroe, N. C.
January 29th-1877-34-2f.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE
IN POLK COUNTY, N. C.

Can be bought cheap, a number one stock grain and tobacco farm, containing eleven hundred acres of land, including ninety acres of first-class bottom, in a high state of cultivation. The place is well improved, having on it three houses, Saw and Grain Mill, good barns, stables, and orchard. It could be divided into two or three good settlements. For further particulars apply to or address
C. B. JUSTICE,
Rutherfordton, N. C.
April 17-46-4f.

At Old Stand.

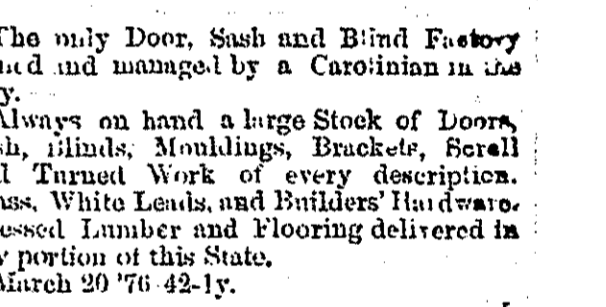
Having bought the interest of Mr. R. W. Schorn in the business lately conducted by Schorn & Braden, I take this method of informing the public that I can be found at the old stand, where I keep on hand at all times, a full supply of
FINE WINES
AND LIQUORS,
Cigars, Tobacco
LAGER BEER, &c.
Be sure and give me a call, and you will be satisfied. Next door to Central Hotel, Monroe, N. C.
A. R. BRADEEN
March 6-40-1y.

BEST PURE CORN WHISKEY,
—AT—
\$1.50
PER GALLON.

E. CLINE,
CONOVA, N. C.
WILL DELIVER PURE RECTIFIED CORN WHISKEY, at Conova Station, on the Western N. C. R. R., at \$1.50 per gallon. If it not found as represented, the buyer will be allowed to re-ship it, at Cline's expense.
Dec. 19, 1876. 29-2m.

ENCOURAGE HOME PEOPLE
—AND—
HOME ENTERPRISE

GEO. S. HACKER,
CHARLESTON, S. C.



NEW FALL WINTER C ODS.

Stevens & Co.,
HAVE FOR SALE
DRY GOODS,
NOTIONS, CLOTHING
HATS, BOOTS, and SHOES;
HARDWARE,
Table and Pocket Cutlery.
ALSO
A FULL LINE OF
GROCERIES.
FINE & COMMON
Chewing Tobacco.
FURNITURE & C.

New Stock to arrive this week and next for the
Fall and Winter Trade,
Cheaper than ever
F R CASH.
Monroe, N. C., Oct. 2d, 18-4f.

Strayed.

From my farm, about the first of December last, ONE COW and TWO HEIFERS. The cow is moolay, black and white spotted, wears a bell, and was heavy with calf when she left. The heifers were both red colored, had spike horns, and aged two years. Any person taking up the stock and giving information will be suitably rewarded. Address me at Monroe.
HOSEA HALE,
Jan. 17, '77-33-4f.