

STOCK AND GOODWILL

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN. The entire stock DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, ETC., which has been reduced by the recent cost sale, will be closed out to any one wishing a

GOOD BUSINESS

as well as a good stand at a LIBERAL DISCOUNT. But wish to say, until such arrangements are made, we will continue to sell

AT AND BELOW COST.

We still have nearly everything desired. All wool silk wraps, 38-inch henriettas sold for \$1. at 75 cts; all wool silk fish, 46-inch henriettas, sold for \$1. sold at 75 cts; all wool 46-inch henrietta, sold for 85 cts. now 62 1/2 cts. all wool 38-inch henriettas, sold for 50 cts. now 37 1/2 cts. all wool 38-inch henriettas, sold for 37 1/2 cts. now 25 cts.

IN CLOAKS

We have a full line of plush wraps, moleskins, newmarkets, and jackets, and we can save you the profits other houses are making.

IN STAPLE GOODS

WE HAVE Fruit of the loom, bleached, 8 1/2 cts. Lonsdale, bleached, 8 1/2 cts. Lonsdale, cambric, 1 1/2 cts. Wamona, ultra, bleached, 11 cts. New York mills, 11 cts. Pride of the West, bleached, 12 1/2 cts. Forsyth, 4-4 brown cotton, 6 cts. Dundee, 4-4 brown cotton, 6 cts. Mohawk Valley, 10-4 bleached sheeting for 24 cts., worth 30 cts. Utica, 10-4 bleached sheeting for 27 cts., worth 35 cts. Pepperal, 10-4 bleached sheeting, 22 1/2 cts. Clark's O. N. T. spool cotton, 4 cts. per spool, 45 cts. per dozen. It will pay you to examine our stock before purchasing.

WM. F. BAKER & CO.

134 Salem avenue.

WANTS.

WANTED--A BOY WHO HAS HAD some experience at the printing business. Apply at this office, dec23ft.

DICHES, IF YOU DESIRE THEM R no use fooling away time on things that don't pay; but send \$1.00 at once for magnificent outfit of our Great New Stanley Book. If book and terms not satisfactory we will refund your money. No risk. No capital needed. Both ladies and gentlemen employed. Don't lose time in writing. Step in white the waters are troubled. Days are worth dollars. Address B. F. JOHNSON & CO., 1009 Main street, Richmond, Va. Jan19d3t

LOST--TWO LITTLE FOX TERRIERS; white bodies with black and brown spots, stub tails. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to Mr. S. B. Haupt, the owner. Jan 1st

FOR SALE--NICE FARM, 87 acres, good 5 room dwelling, 50 acres fine lumber, for only \$600 cash. Apply to J. F. WINGFIELD, Insurance and Real Estate Agent.

FARM 209 ACRES, ONE MILE from R. Depot. \$1,000 cash. Apply to J. F. WINGFIELD.

FOR SALE--FIRE, LIFE AND accident insurance, the best in the world, and therefore the cheapest. J. F. WINGFIELD, agent.

FOR SALE--NICE DWELLING, nine rooms, for \$1,550, in monthly payments of \$30. J. F. WINGFIELD, real estate and insurance agent. nov24 ft

House and lot on Eighth avenue, \$2,000, \$300 cash and \$25 per month. House and lot on Eighth avenue for \$1,350, cash \$350 and \$20 per month. Hyde Park lots at \$250 to \$300. J. F. WINGFIELD, Insurance and Real Estate Agent, 143 Salem avenue.

FOR SALE--200,000 WELL-BURNED brick, also two dump-carts and harness, new. E DIDLER, dec27 1w.

FOR SALE--NICE DWELLING, nine rooms, for \$1,550, in monthly payments of \$30. J. F. WINGFIELD, real estate and insurance agent. nov24 ft

FOR SALE--ONE LOT FRONTING on the east side of Jefferson street between Third and Fourth avenue, opposite new opera house; price \$4,500. One third cash, one third November 1, 1899, balance November 1, 1891. Address lock box 188, City. dec28 1w.

WANTED--TWO GENTLEMEN to board at 406 Fourth avenue, south-west; good room and board. dec21-2w

FOR SALE--BELOW COST, ONE iron fence, suitable for a cemetery. Lot 15x30 C. R. Evans. dec23 1w.

HANDS WANTED--BY ROANOKE Manufacturing company. The Roanoke Manufacturing company want three or four good shop workmen. Fair wages will be paid for good, worthy men. Nothing else need apply. dec 14-ft

FOR RENT--AN EXCELLENT stable, inquire at HOBBS & BAKER'S Store, Salem avenue. nov24-1w

FIRST BREAK

OF THE

SEASON!

WE have a line of Ladies' NEW-MARKETS and JACKETS that we are offering at greatly reduced prices:

Table with 3 columns: Lot, Former Prices, Now. 1 Lot Newmarkets \$4.50 \$3.25, 1 " " 5.50 4.00, 1 " " 8.00 6.00, 1 " " 10.50 8.00, 1 " " 14.00 10.00, 1 Lot Jackets 2.50 1.75, 1 " " 4.00 2.75, 1 " " 4.50 3.50, 1 " " 5.50 4.00, 1 " " 6.50 4.50, 1 " " 7.50 5.00, 1 " " 8.00 6.00, 1 " " 9.00 7.00

FULL LINE of Plush Coats, Jackets, Moleskins, and 3 Jackets.

JUST RECEIVED

A new lot Children's and Misses' long Coats and Jackets, ranging from 4 to 16 years.

USEFUL

Holiday Presents!

Full assortment Silk Hankkerchiefs, Silk Muffles, Fancy and Plain White Linen Hankkerchiefs.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S SILK UMBRELLAS.

Blankets, Comforts and Counterpanes, Lace Curtains and Poles.

A WORD FROM OUR

Millinery Department.

We have just replenished our stock of Wool and Fur Felt Hats and Turbines, Birds, Feathers, Plush and Silk Velvets, in all colors.

We haven't the space to enumerate our fine assortment of Dress Goods. All we ask is an inspection, and we guarantee to please you.

ROSENBAUM BROS.

42 Salem avenue.

C MARKLEY'S

Checked Front Grocery

SALEM AVENUE.

MOOMAW BLOCK,

varied stock of fancy and select

GROCERIES

And all kinds of

Fruit in Season.

FRESH OYSTERS,

DRESSED FOWLS

AND

CELERY - SALT

Lancaster Bros.,

CIVIL AND MINING ENGINEERS.

Surveys, Plans and all Branches of Engineering Attended to Promptly. No. 9 Jefferson street, S. W.

ROANOKE, VA.

LOCAL MATTERS.

HAPPENINGS IN AND AROUND THE CITY.

GATHERED BY OUR REPORTER

The Electric Light Boringment--What Causes the Lights to Fail--Improvements to be Made in the Works at an Early Date.

On several occasions lately the lights of the Electric Light company have gone out, and the public has been subjected to much annoyance.

In order to ascertain the cause of the trouble, a TIMES reporter yesterday called upon the foreman of the electric-light works, Mr. T. H. Sharp, and had a conversation with him on the subject.

Mr. Sharp said: "The sole trouble is that our boiler by some means became broken and we had to substitute a railroad engine. The draught in this is so bad that it is almost impossible to keep the steam up, and consequently as the steam goes down, the lights get dim. We have several machinists at work on our boiler and it will probably be finished in a short while. We know that it is very annoying to have the lights go out, but if the public will bear with us a short time, everything will be all right. The company intends to double the size of its works in a short time, in fact, I believe the machinery has already been ordered. When this is done there will be no repetition of these annoying occurrences as when one piece of machinery breaks, we will have another engine or motor to substitute in its stead. I anticipate no further trouble."

A TOWN CLOCK

A Few Words on This Important Question.

Roanoke city is very much in need of a town clock or some means by which all the watches and clocks in the city may be run on the same time.

Pope, the poet said in regard to watches that "none go just alike, yet each (man) believes his own," and in conversation in regard to time it is easy to see that the opinions of men differ when they are not about what is celebrated in an essay on man.

People go to church and find they are late or early as the hours regulating the commencement of services at that particular place of worship run, and men return home from club meetings at very unseasonable hours sometimes, perhaps, simply because their watches were running on an independent basis, regardless of the time piece upon the mantle or elsewhere about the room.

The copula of the city court house would afford ample room for a town clock, and the patriots advocated such a use of that ornamentation when the building was in process of construction.

There is hardly any city in the country of any size but has some means of regulating local time, and it is earnestly hoped the city council will look into the matter as soon as possible and give us the needed clock on the court house cupola.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

A Young Man at the Machine Works Loses an Arm.

A very serious accident occurred at the machine works yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Keane Michael, a young man who is employed in the erecting shop at the machine works, was engaged in oiling some machinery when the crane, that is used in lifting engines and other heavy material, ran back upon him and mashed his right arm quite seriously.

The young man was removed to the residence of Mrs. Hurt, No. 32, Third avenue N. W. and Dr. Leigh Buckner was called in. After making a thorough examination of the injured part, Dr. Buckner deemed amputation necessary, and this was done. The arm was taken off just above the elbow.

OD for Richmond.

A number of members of the legislature passed through the city yesterday on the Norfolk and Western train en route to Richmond. Prominent among them were Judge J. W. Haeckler, of Grayson county; Judge G. W. Easley, of Giles county; Hon. J. Burton, of Bland county; Hon. R. C. Kent, of Wye county; Messrs. Kendrick and Crow of Washington county; Hon. John R. Johnson, of Montgomery county.

Hon. John W. Woods, representative from this district, also left yesterday on the evening train.

Election of Officers.

At a stated communication of Mount Vernon lodge, No. 90, I. O. O. F., held last Monday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: J. A. Page, noble grand; R. T. Henry, vice grand; W. A. Gibbons, Secretary; W. E. Maupin, permanent secretary; Charles D. Fox, treasurer. These officers will be installed next Monday night.

An Insurance Clerk's Good Fortune.

Joe Grant who is employed in the Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance company, held one-twentieth of ticket 61,886, which drew the first capital prize of \$300,000 in the drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery by company on the 15th of October. By collecting the money through Adams Express company, Hartford (Conn.) Times, November 18.

Married.

Mr. N. C. Dyer, of the firm of S. H. Dooley & Co., was married last Monday evening at 6:15 o'clock at Bristol, Tennessee, to Miss Gertrude Wade. Rev. Dr. Caldwell performed the ceremony.

Thanks.

The TIMES returns thanks to Messrs. W. K. Andrews & Co., the coal and lumber dealers, for a beautiful calendar for 1890.

Did you ever know one to use "A. B. C. Alternative" for Blood taint without success?

RARE COINS.

Some of the Currency of This and Other Countries.

Mrs. Jessie S. Bowers, wife of Officer P. N. Bowers, who has for a numismatic fancy, has among her collection of rare coins the following specimens: A round Chinese copper coin with a square hole in the center valued at one-fourth of a cent. The hieroglyphics on these resemble the red markings on a tea chest, but are, no doubt, very plain to any Chinaman of average intelligence; a Belgian silver coin of King Leopold II. worth about ten cents; a Canadian cent of the date 1882, with the head of Queen Victoria as she appeared in 1850; a Spanish seal of 1861, a Mexican twenty-five cent piece of 1876; a United States twenty-cent piece of 1876; a Canadian five-cent piece of 1880; a Spanish silver coin of the value of 124 cents of 1785; two others of the same value issued in 1797; a Canadian twenty five cent piece of 1874; a copper United States medal of 1837; a dime of 1834; a Mexican silver coin valued at five cents of 1889; an English shilling of 1784; a German pfennig, a copper coin valued at about one-fourth of a cent. There is always something interesting about old coins and mementoes of the dead past, and what becomes of the great mass of coins is like the disappearance of the pins--a problem hard to solve. The people of Roanoke, however, are actively engaged in gathering together new coins and if the promises of the opening year are fulfilled, they will have a fair supply, as a rule, twelve months from today.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Comings and Goings of Persons We Know.

Miss Gracie Hazlewood is visiting friends in Liberty.

Prof. A. S. Beckner, of Clifton Forge, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. D. F. Geyer has returned from an extended trip North.

Mr. W. H. Spickard, of Blue Ridge Springs, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Charles R. Luck, of Alleghany institute, returned yesterday from a visit to friends in Bedford county.

Mr. C. T. Jennings, of J. D. Hobbie & Co., Lynchburg, was in the city yesterday.

Prof. L. R. Holland, superintendent of schools of Roanoke county, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Johnson, of Richmond, who has been visiting Mrs. J. William Boyd, left yesterday for Hollins.

Miss Alma Hopkins who has been visiting friends in the city, returned to her home in Liberty yesterday.

Messrs. Louis and John Catagni, of Suffolk, is visiting their brother, Mr. Joseph Catagni.

Miss Emma B. Hancock, of Bedford county, is visiting Miss Nora Smoot, of 319 Fourth avenue, S. W.

Mr. W. W. French, of Pocahontas, was in the city yesterday a guest at Hotel Roanoke.

City Treasurer M. C. Thomas left yesterday for Richmond to make his annual report to the auditor of public accounts, Mr. J. S. Simmons, one of Roanoke's leading real-estate agents.

Judge George B. McLean has returned from a week's visit to Lieutenant-Governor elect, Hon. J. Hoge Tyler, at Palaski city.

Miss M. ry Daniels left yesterday for Hollins to resume her studies at that institute, after a visit to friends in this city.

Mr. C. D. Haller, drug-clerk for Johnson & Johnson, of this city, returned yesterday from a pleasant visit to relatives in Wytville.

Miss Emma Gray Morehead, accompanied by Misses Lucy Lewis and Jennie Norris, of Lynchburg, was in the city yesterday stopping at Hotel Roanoke.

Sergeant Thomas P. Spencer, of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical college of Blacksburg, is in the city visiting Mr. John C. Jackson.

Mrs. Robert E. Scott will receive from 8 to 12 o'clock this evening. She will be assisted by Miss Ayres, daughter of Attorney-General Ayres, and Miss Rives, sister of Mrs. Amelia Rives-Chandler.

Miss Mattie Britt and Miss Minnie Webb, who have been spending the holidays with relatives in Vinton, returned to Rockbridge county yesterday.

Miss McMullen, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with the Misses Sims, of Campbell street, leaves today for Staunton, to resume her studies at the seminary in that city.

Mr. F. E. Foster, manager of Hotel Roanoke, and other hotels on the line of the Norfolk and Western railroad, returned yesterday from a visit to Bluefield and other places west of the city.

Mrs. H. A. Pretzman, accompanied by her son George, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, is visiting her son Mr. W. H. Pretzman, of the counting department of the Norfolk and Western Railroad company.

Mr. John W. Moses returned yesterday from a visit to New Castle, Craig county. He reports real estate as on the rise, and says lots have been staked off there for a good sized city.

Mr. Ross, contractor on the Craig mineral railroad expects to start a double force of men to work on the road early in January, and to complete it to New Castle by the 1st of July.

A Disorderly Woman.

A colored woman created such confusion at the High street colored Baptist church last night that the assistance of the police had to be called in. She proved to be such a poor wretch that the watchmen had to

BUSINESS MEN.

A FIRM THAT HAS BUILT UP A LARGE TRADE.

READY TO MEET COMPETITORS

A Business that Keeps Step with the Growth of the City--Men Who Believe in Liberal Advertising.

Generally speaking the business men of this city have been very successful during the past year, and the prosperous condition in which they enter upon the New Year is a proof of the fact.

As has often been stated, Roanoke is full of live and progressive young men whose business integrity and energy is equal to that of any city in the South. If you will visit the coal and lumber house of Messrs. W. P. Huff & Co., for instance, you will see a firm composed entirely of this kind of grit. They are the junior men in this line for Roanoke. Their business was established in the year 1882, and has increased largely each year. They are progressive and believe in the efficacy of printers' ink and attribute much of their success to this cause. They advertise more than any other similar concern in this city. They are one of the very few concerns that take whole pages in daily newspapers. They are in business strictly to the point and ready to meet competition in all its phases. In charity they never turn down a worthy cause. It is said that no worthy subject ever walked in the office, unless he went out pleased with liberal donations. They recognize their duties in charity as much as they do in business. Their donations in other concerns of the kind in this section. They make money and spend it liberally in proper causes. They are always ready to take stock in any enterprise that has a tendency to the upbuilding of Roanoke. The forefathers of Walter Pocahontas Huff are among the first settlers of this section. An old log-house which marks a prominent corner of Big Lick from which the village of the Roanoke sprang, was built by his grandfather for a home to accommodate the many wagons that hauled goods from Lynchburg to Knoxville in that day and time. This old landmark is the second oldest building now in the city. Mr. Huff has been here since the infancy of the city, and is thoroughly acquainted with all its people and various interests. He is better known and knows more people perhaps than almost any one you can find. His partner, Mr. J. R. Terry, a nephew of P. L. Terry, esq., one of the pillars of Roanoke's prosperity and growth, came here from Pike county, Mo., in 1850, and by his close attention to business and promptness has made many friends. This firm enjoys a very large and increasing trade, and has been styled by the press as the competitive paralyzers. Any one desiring to transact business with this firm will find it to their advantage. Their business office is on Salem avenue.

CLOSE OF THE CATHOLIC FAIR.

Some Valuable Articles Awarded. The Fair a Success.

The Catholic fair closed last night, and will not be open again until about the twentieth of this month. During the evening the following articles were disposed of by raffie: No. 47, field by Anna Scott, won the wax call-ball; No. 5, M. M. Dooley, silver call-ball; No. 29, Miss M. Longhrey, gold headed umbrella; No. 7, John Wignmore, oil painting; No. 21, D. J. McCarthy, sofa cushion; No. 29, Miss Kate Whaling, a large pin cushion; a box of cigars was won by Mr. James A. McConnell; the dinner set of 113 pieces was won by Mrs. Hoover. The "guess doll" whose euphonious name proved to be "Mary Ann" was won by W. A. Carr and Anna Sexton conjointly, but Miss Carr withdrew in favor of the young lady Miss Mollie Cavanaugh, Mr. Maher, and George Garland each won a large cake.

The fair under the management of Mr. James A. McConnell has been a success both financially and otherwise.

CHRISTMAS CHINES.

The Baptist Sunday-School Children Receive Santa Claus.

The Baptist church was the scene of a happy entertainment last night, the occasion being the Christmas exercises of the Sunday school of that church. After the singing of a beautiful anthem, the several hundred children and older folks present expectantly awaited the arrival of Santa Claus. Promptly at eight o'clock, the jingling of sleigh bells were heard outside and the old gentleman soon made his appearance, and proceeded in a very happy manner to distribute the various presents to the smaller folks. When this was finished presents were given to several of the teachers on behalf of their scholars. The entertainment was largely attended and highly enjoyed by those in attendance.

A Lucky Investment.

A gentleman of the Third ward was so lucky as to draw \$100 in the Louisiana State lottery in the last drawing. He received a check for the \$100 yesterday, which may be considered a very good return from a one dollar investment. There were many others in the city who invested a dollar and drew a blank, but such is life. The Goddess Fortune is very fickle in her smiles.

Reception and Banquet.

Mr. A. B. Hammond, proprietor of the Hammond Printing Works, gave a reception and banquet to all of his employees last night, at his residence on Jefferson street. After spending some time in pleasant conversation all were invited to tables loaded with Christmas delicacies, and every one had a good time and did full justice to the good things set before them.

Removal.

The Commercial National Bank will move into its new and handsome quarters on the corner of Jefferson and Campbell streets today.

A RELIC OF OLD ENGLAND.

A Unique Specimen of Advertisements a Hundred Years Ago.

Col. J. H. Dunstan, ex-mayor of this city, is an English gentleman by birth and education, and is not only one of the most genial and kind-hearted men in this city, but also possesses the rare faculty of being able to take as well as give a joke. During his visit to his old home last summer he saw in his three months' sojourn many pleasing mementoes of the past, and while visiting Fallmouth last August, came across the following unique sign, which was so comical a business like that he copied it entire, and at the request of the representative of the TIMES, has furnished it for publication. The sign related the qualifications of one Roger Giles in every conceivable department of trade, commerce or professional life, in 1815 as follows:

ROGER GILES.

SURGIN, PARISH CLARK AND SKULEMAS-TROE, GROSSER AND HUNDERTAKER.

Respectably informs ladies and gentlemen that he drops tea without waiting a minute, applies leeches every hour, blisters on the lowest tarsus, and vijicks for penny a pease. He sell-Godfather's korlades, kuts korns, bun yons, doctersh osses, clips dunkies, wanes a munt, and untrakes to take after everybody's ankles by the coat of arms, a penny wissels, brass knasticks, trying pans, and other moztized hinstuments hat grateley reduced fizers. Young ladsy and gentlemen larnes their grammar, and language in the purtist manner; also grate care taken of their morrels and spoils. Also zaruzizing, tachyng the base vial, and all other zorts of fancy work, squadrils, pokers, wezels, and all country dances tort at home and abroad at perfkeshun. Perfumery and snuff in all its branches. As times is good had it beez told ee that a fies just begunned to sell ee sort of stahonary ware, cox, hens, wools, pigs and all other kinds of poultry. Buckin-brishes, herrins, coles, scrubbin brushes, traykel and goldy bakes and bibles, mis traps, brick dist, wisker seeds, morrel pokkerhan-kerbers, and all zorts of swatenaitis including taters, saszages and other garden stuff, bakky, zizars, lampoyle, taxkittles and other int-zoziantin lik kers, a dale of fruit, hats, zongs, hare oyle, pattins, bukits, grindin stones and other arables, lead and binyon zelve and all handkerchiefs. I has had in a large assortment of trype, doez' mate, lollipops, ginger beer, matches and other pickles, such as hipson salts, hoysters, Winer-espoo, anzstrar. Old rags bort and sold here and nowhere else, newlaved hezgs by Mr. Roger Giles; zinging burdes kepted, such as howles, donkings paycox, lobsters, crickets, also a stock of a celebrated brayder Agent for selling gutty pokker souls.

P. S. I trachey's geography, rithmic, exosticks, jinnasticks and other engneer's trick.

"God save the King."

FROM FINCASTLE.

The Teachers' Institute of Roanoke, Va., December 31--

The citizens of Fincastle have been much interested in the Teacher's institute in session in town for the past two days. Prof. Graybill, of Roanoke, is the conductor of the institute, and a large number of teachers and citizens have attended the exercises.

The citizens of the town have entertained the teachers with great pleasure, and have shown much interest in the proceedings of the institute.

The funeral of Mr. Peter Copeland, at Amsterdam, Botetourt county, yesterday, was attended by a large crowd of admirer friends. He was born in Richmond 60 years ago, and was one of the engineers who located the Norfolk and Western railroad.

Friends from Salem, Roanoke, Fincastle and Buchanan, met with the friends of his old home to pay their last tributes to the memory of a valuable citizen.

The Norfolk and Western Extension

A TIMES representative visited the Norfolk and Western offices yesterday with a view of learning the extent of the proposed extension of the line from Bristol to Knoxville, by the way of Embreeville, but none of the leading officials interviewed knew anything of the proposed extension, and it was generally agreed that if anything was being done at all in the matter it was from the headquarters of the railroad company at Philadelphia. Some of the Tennessee papers are at a loss to see wherein the proposed extension will benefit the Norfolk and Western, unless the line be extended to Nashville. So far as Roanoke is concerned, any extension which will add to the business of the Norfolk and Western company, is pleasing to her people, and if the extensions now in progress will not give sufficient connections to the road, nothing would be more satisfactory to us than to see the company reaching out successfully, till the object aimed at is accomplished.

New Year's Day in Roanoke.

Today, January 1, 1899, is a legal holiday and in consequence, the banks will close, the postoffice will keep Sunday hours and business generally will be suspended. All the churches will hold appropriate services at night, and several hold meetings in the day. Public worship will be held in St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. W. H. Meade, rector, at four o'clock this evening.

This is one of the Catholic's holy days and is celebrated with the same reverence as is Sunday. There will be services at St. Andrew's church this morning at 9 o'clock.

Directors' Meeting.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Lansdowne Improvement Company yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock Mr. M. H. Clayton was elected a member of the board, and it was decided at once to lay off