

By G. L. STEVENS, Gen'l Auctioneer

AUCTION SALE

DRY GOODS, NOTONS, ETC.

Having concluded to farther diminish our stock before turning it over to our successor.

T. C. Berger.

We will continue our

AUCTION SALE

COMMENCING MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 3, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

At which time we will offer our Entire Stock of DRESS : GOODS.

ALSO SOMETHING NICE IN Challies, Gingham, French and Domestic Satens.

LACE FLOUNCING, LACES, HOSE, CORSETS.

Jerseys, Tab'e Linens, Ribbons, Jeans, Kid Gloves, Ladies' and Gentlemen's UNDERWEAR, CLOAKS, ETC.

LADIES ESPECIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND.

WM. F. BAKER & CO.

--NEW--

WHOLESALE GROCERY

FISHBURNE, JONES & CO., Wholesale Grocers,

AND

Merchant Millers,

Near the corner of Henry street and Railroad avenue, are prepared to furnish the mercantile public, goods in their line, and

FLOUR, MEAL, CHOP, &C.,

of their own manufacture. For instance their noted brands of best patent SNOW FLAKE FAMILY FLOUR, &c., at prices which will compare with any markets in the land. They have leased of the Roanoke Milling company their mill property, which will be managed as heretofore by our

MR. B. A. JONES,

who is a member of both concerns. Our business will be strictly wholesale. Our business will be characterized by

ENERGY, PROMPTNESS, AND INTEGRITY.

WE respectfully ask of the Mercantile public a chance for us to prove to them that we will make it to their interest to give us a trial. Our business will be represented on the road by the following gentlemen,

E. T. KINDRED, JR., W. T. JONES, ROBT. W. MCFARLAND.

FISHBURNE, JONES & CO. ROANOKE, VA., January 23, 1890.

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DEPARTMENTS.

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TOWELS & SHEETING DEPARTMENT.

VELVET DEPARTMENT.

AND PLUSH DEPARTMENT.

DRESS SILK DEPARTMENT.

In our Millinery Department we carry a full line of Furs, and Wool Felt Hats, Birds' Feathers and Trimmings of all kinds, which we are offering at less than cost. We make a specialty of Mourning Bonnets and Veils.

The greatest sacrifice we are offering is in our Cloak Department, where you can find a full assortment of Plush Cloaks and Jacket Jackets, Cloth Cloaks and Cloth Jackets of all description, cheaper than can be bought at the manufacturers.

Our specialty in Black Dress Goods, consisting of Black Cashmires, all wool silk finished, and Silk Warp Henriettes of the finest texture, also a fine line of fancy Black Goods.

The ladies of Roanoke would do well to call and examine our stock before making their purchases.

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SALEM AVENUE,

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Is well supplied with a full fresh and varied stock of fancy and select

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FRESH OYSTERS, DRESSED FOWLS

AND

CELERY - SALT

LOCAL MATTERS.

HAPPENINGS IN AND AROUND THE CITY.

GATHERED BY OUR REPORTERS.

The Fire Last Night--Caused by the Throwing of a Lighted Lamp at the Head of a Colored Woman--Large Number of Prospectors in this City

A slight fire occurred about 11:30 o'clock last night in a restaurant on Railroad avenue, kept by a colored man named Morton. The fire companies responded to the alarm promptly and it was quickly extinguished, though when they arrived on the scene the interior of the building was a seething mass of flames. The fire originated from the bursting of a kerosene oil lamp.

A notorious negro named Bill Jackson was in the restaurant buying some pickled pig's feet of Lottie May, a colored woman who was clerking there, and they had some dispute about the change, when Jackson, who was very drunk, it is alleged, threw a lighted lamp at the dusky damsel which struck her on the head and exploded, completely deluging her with oil. Her clothes at once caught fire, and her head and shoulders were in a light blaze. The woman was in a perfect frenzy, but with remarkable presence of mind ran out into the street and laid down in a mud hole. A gentleman who was passing at the time ran to her and threw an overcoat around her and smothered the flames, not, however, before she was very seriously burned. The glow of the lamp also set her head severely. She was removed to neighboring house where she now lies in a critical condition.

Jackson made his escape by taking a west-bound freight train, it is supposed, but the officers are after him and he will, no doubt, be brought to justice before night. If he had been caught last night he would very probably have been lynched, as the colored population is very much incensed over the affair. The loss by the fire will not be very great.

Still in the Lead.

Roanoke is filled with well-dressed strangers, most of whom are prospectors looking around for a chance to make good real-estate investments. The news of Roanoke's prosperity has reached all parts of the country, and her steady growth and prosperity is one of the marvels of Virginia progress. Those who were once disposed to sneer at the "Magic City" have at last been compelled to admit her merits and from doubting Thomases have become firm believers. Every day witnesses new arrivals by the dozens, and the hotel registers show men from all parts of the union, and even England and Canada. With the prospects for early work on the Roanoke and Southern railroad and the opening of other railroad routes in this section, our people have every thing to hope and nothing to fear.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Roanoke Iron Company was held yesterday in the Norfolk and Western railroad building. Major Griffin presided and Mr. George W. Ramsey acted as secretary. President J. H. Sands submitted a report showing very satisfactory progress in the erection of the West End furnace, which will be completed early in the summer. As the officers of the company have been recently elected no change was made in this respect. A majority of the stock was represented and it was decided to change the date of the monthly meeting of the board of directors from the first Monday to the first Tuesday. Mr. G. W. McClure, of the firm of Amner & McClure, Pittsburg, furnace builder, was present at the meeting. Mr. Henry King, manager of the company, is at present in Pittsburg selecting material for the new furnace.

Hotel Arrivals.

PALACE HOTEL--T J McKinney, Durham, N. C.; D P Copenhagen, Bluefield; D C G Cannaday, Big Spring; H Hamilton, Baltimore; C H Carr, Altoona; J W Crisfield, Baltimore; W F Backard, Bristol; R E Coleman, Vinton; E J Woodberry, Norfolk; Brody, George Hagan, Mike Smith, Fred S Holz, Pittsburg; Thomas J Lifen, Radford; T S Powell, Baltimore; D H Hartfield, Lynchburg; H M Woods, Baltimore; M S Bruce, Bristol; J H Boyce, Richmond; F P Cord, Hagerstown; S K Lankens, Knoxville; Louis Schneider, Cincinnati; H H Woodard, Philadelphia; H L Porter, Rural Retreat; E D Frazier, Max Meadows; John Tanner, Virginia; Chas E Mytinger, Hagerstown; R S Brown, Pittsburg; J W Leeb, Washington; W K Hogan, Pennsylvania; E G Alvis, Lynchburg; J D Savage, Lynchburg; A P Stoll, New York.

Hustings Court.

A barroom and liquor license was granted to Mr. J. P. Ellington and A. E. Price, at No. 501, Norfolk avenue. The barroom and retail liquor license of J. T. Jones was transferred from No. 105, Norfolk avenue to No. 10, Nelson street. Messrs. J. A. Jamison and C. A. Moomaw reported to the court that their property had been erroneously assessed, whereupon, the judge ordered that they be exonerated from payment and that the money be refunded. The court ordered that the resolutions of the Bar association concerning the death of Mr. Henry Gibson be spread upon the order book of the court. Court then adjourned.

Henry Schoenhaus, foreman Henry Krug Packing company, St. Joseph, Mo., uses Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil with his men for sprains, cuts, bruises, chapped hands, etc. It is the best.

Purchase of Fine Cattle.

Mr. S. P. Price, of Boone's Mill, Franklin county, brought 155 head of fine cattle to the Roanoke market yesterday. Mr. F. Price, who is the father-in-law of Mr. Walter Boone, the Commerce street grocer, is an extensive cattle raiser and owns a fine farm in Franklin.

BURNT TO DEATH.

MRS. SECRETARY TRACY AND DAUGHTER.

FIRE DESTROYED THEIR HOME.

Caused by Overheated Furnace Pipes--The Secretary Escapes--The Mansion in Ashes--The Bodies at the White House--The Administration in Grief.

Special to the TIMES. WASHINGTON, February 3.--The pall of death hangs over the White House tonight, the result of the terrible disaster caused by the burning of Secretary Tracy's residence, at 1634 I street, northeast, this morning at 7 o'clock.

Wrapped in a white sheet, the charred remains of Mrs. Tracy and Miss Tracy lie in the east parlor, while feelings of the deepest sadness pervade not only the presidential mansion but the entire administration and city.

Last night Secretary Tracy and family retired quietly to rest in their beautiful home on I street, overlooking Farragut square. This morning the handsome mansion is a mass of ashes, while three of its former inmates are dead and two are seriously injured.

The fire was discovered about 7 o'clock this morning. The family and servants were still sleeping. Smoke was seen issuing from the second-story windows. The fire alarm was turned in at once. The nearest engine house was only a few blocks distant on K street, and the city's magnificent fire department responded without a moment's delay. The fire had attained its headway in the meantime, however, that the stairway leading to the second story had been burned away, and the lower hall was filled so densely with smoke that ingress was impossible.

Strong arms bore ladders to the upper windows and several firemen ascended to the upper stories. Secretary Tracy and Mrs. Tracy were found in their room on the second floor. Both were in an exhausted condition and were near the window where the secretary had succeeded in dragging his wife, when his strength gave away.

Mrs. Tracy has been an invalid and the secretary was unable to move her further. Secretary Tracy, unconscious, was dragged to the front window from which a ladder depended, and conveyed to the ground. Mrs. Tracy, who was still possessed of her senses, by the meantime had managed to get to the front window. People below cried to her to remain until a ladder could be lifted there. Oblivious to the cries, however, she jumped to the ground, falling a distance of forty feet, mangling her body considerably. The excitement had caused her to break a blood vessel before leaping, and she died an hour later.

One of the saddest features of the terrible calamity was the death of Miss Mary Tracy, daughter of the secretary. She was just 17, and was one of the most beautiful debutantes of the capital. She had just returned from Paris, where she had resided three years, completing her education. Her room was on the third floor. Awakened by the smoke she succeeded in making her way to the second floor where her parents slept. She got as far as the room occupied by her father and mother, intending to arouse them, and then, overcome by the heat and smoke, fell at their door, where she was afterwards discovered by a fireman, who stumbled over her body. The smoke in the building then was exceedingly dense and the flame and heat most oppressive. When the man took hold of her hand to help her the charred flesh fell from her arm. Gathering up and under her, he succeeded, however, in making his escape.

Mrs. Wilmerling, the secretary's married daughter, with her little girl, Miss Alice Wilmerling, occupied the second-story front room, and jumped from the window to the lawn, each being badly but not fatally bruised. Josephine Morrell, the French maid, was burned to death, but the other servants escaped without any serious injuries.

The secretary was taken to the home of Hon. Bancroft Davis, where he recovered consciousness. He remained ignorant of the results of the conflagration until noon, when the president broke to him the sad news of his loss. The remains of Mrs. Tracy and Miss Tracy were taken to the home of Attorney General Miller, but by invitation of the president, and by Harrison, they were removed to the White House. The funeral services will be held in the east parlor. Secretary Tracy has also consented, by urgent invitation of the president, to be removed to the White House when better. The scene of the catastrophe of the morning has been visited by thousands of persons during the day. It is now generally believed that the fire originated from over-heated furnace pipes.

The burned mansion is a three-story red brick structure, and was formerly occupied by Postmaster General Don Dickinson. It is situated in the ultra fashionable part of the city, and is within a stone's throw of Postmaster General Wanamaker's house, where Secretary Whitney entertained so royally during the Cleveland administration. Opposite, across the square, is Millionaire Senator Stanford's palatial mansion, and to the right is the old aristocratic ivy-covered house where Miss Caldwell, who gave so liberally to endow the Catholic university, formerly resided. The White House and St. John's fashionable church are also in a short distance.

The Secretary Tracy Disaster.

Those who "Don't Travel Much" are liable to argue to themselves that they incur risk only in travel, but the quietest professional and business man is constantly exposed to the changing hazards of every day life. (This is illustrated by the misfortune to Secretary Tracy's family), by the burning of hotels, theatres and private dwellings, occasioning loss of life. Such casualties, as well as those

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