

## CHATTANOOGA AND VICINITY

A GREAT BUSINESS CENTER OF THE COTTON BELT.

Immense Resources in the Way of Inexhaustible Beds of Iron Ore, Coal Beds, Marble Quarries and Timber Lands—Pre-eminent as a Health Resort.

Written for The Tribune.

Commercially, Chattanooga is very fortunately located, situated on the line of the great cotton growing and grain raising, lumber producing and produce section, also, in close proximity to inexhaustible beds of iron ore and coal beds, and marble quarries, gives her a decided advantage as a wholesale market. Every road leading to or from Chattanooga, cuts through coal or iron ore, marble or granite quarries, forests of pine, and extensive cotton fields—one or both, for distances ranging from 60 to 250 miles. At present \$2,000,000 is invested in the iron industry, giving employment to over 1,000 men. In various kinds of wood manufacturing \$1,000,000 is invested and 1,227 persons are employed. All told, there are 200 plants in operation with an output of \$5,000,000. Chattanooga is located in one of the best timber sections in the United States, near the long leaf pine belt of Alabama and Georgia, and the white pine section of North Carolina, almost an inexhaustible supply of each. The saw mills of the city cut some 20,000,000 feet of which 20,000,000 feet is handled by Chattanooga wood working establishments. And so I might enumerate of other industries.

**HOELS.**  
Chattanooga has numerous hotels. The most prominent are the Read House and the Stanton House. The former is located opposite the Union depot. In the heart of the business center, convenient for hurried commercial men. It is a commodious brick building and can accommodate four hundred guests. It is considered a first-class hotel.

The Stanton House is a luxurious, home-like, comfortable and up-to-date hotel, located just outside of the noise and turmoil of the busy city. It occupies the center of a handsome public square, immediately on the street car line, surrounded by a very handsome lawn and shade trees, leading to the structure a most inviting appearance to the stranger. It has large, handsome apartments, luxuriously furnished, arranged en suite, with private bath; also commodious public rooms, ladies' and gentlemen's parlors and a beautiful dining-room. Every room is light and cheery, well-ventilated and furnished with all modern conveniences. It is heated by steam throughout, and will accommodate 200 guests. It is especially adapted as a modern "winter resort" hotel. The location is unique, facing the historical Lookout mountain, and

also from its broad piazzas may be seen Raccoon mountain, Missionary Ridge, and the sites of many of the battle-fields of the Civil war. It is only five minutes' walk to the Union station, also a free bus meets the forty passenger trains that arrive and depart daily. All the employees of the hotel are white people, selected with great care from the best of the South. The attractive uniformed New Hampshire girls in the dining-room is a feature that is not found in any other southern hotel. Besides the "northern cooking" conveniences, I cheerfully commend this hostelry to the readers of The Tribune, as furnishing all the luxuries and comforts to the tired traveler, possible to secure. Chattanooga is situated exactly in the right place to make a convenient break in the long journey between the North and Florida, and the Stanton, too, is the right place to stop at. The manager, Mr. T. F. Barton, is an up-to-date hotel man, having special genius in making his guests comfortable and feel at home. By the way, he is well and favorably known in Scranton, where he has many friends, being a nephew of Rev. Dr. Charles E. Robinson.

I am indebted to Manager Barton, president of the Chattanooga National bank and the editor of the Chattanooga Times and also News, among the most progressive papers of the new South, for both polite attention and valuable memoranda.

**HEALTH RESORT.**  
Chattanooga as a health resort stands pre-eminent as one of the healthiest cities in the south, the death rate among the whites averaging ten to 1,000.

Within a radius of ten miles, her citizens can have their homes on any elevation they see fit, from 750 feet above sea level in the valleys, up to 2,500 feet on Lookout Mountain and Walden's Ridge, and within that radius from their homes, enjoy scenery of water valleys, hills, mountains and canyons that is surpassed in beauty, though they travel a thousand miles, and that, too, memorable as strategic points of vast importance during the late Civil war and historic for its hard fought battles.

They need neither to seek the north in summer, nor the south in winter, having the climate of both right here in modified conditions, and precisely adapted to the promotion of the highest health and happiness. Within ten minutes' ride, one can find in summer, a change of four to six degrees in temperature and within fifty miles of Chattanooga one can attain an elevation which gives a climate as cold as a thousand miles north of the city and breathe the tonic of a most delightful mountain air.

As a health resort Lookout Mountain has no superior. The air is balmy and exhilarating, the pine forest that covers its surface, furnishes that restorative element so peculiar to the pine trees. The absorbent quality of the light and sandy soil prevents dampness, malaria and rheumatism being unknown. The elevation guarantees un-

ity of atmosphere most potent in its influences upon sufferers from lung, throat and nervous diseases. Winter or summer, it is certainly a paradise. I am satisfied that those who come here once will be disposed to single it out for a second visit, and the fact that two of the best hotels in the country are here on this mountain top will complete the inducement to visitors escaping from the north and west to the pleasures of a warmer climate in the winter season. It was a favorite resort prior to the war and is now one of the most popular summer resorts in the south. Many business men of Chattanooga have beautiful cottages over the top of the mountain and spend the summer here in preference to the seashore or other mountain resort in the north.

### NATIONAL MILITARY CEMETERY.

On a mound or series of mounds, rising out of the plains about half way between Chattanooga and Missionary Ridge is the "National Military Cemetery," the largest and most beautiful "cities of the dead" in this country. Here over thirteen thousand of our Union soldiers sleep under the watchful care of the nation they died to save. The exact number of interments are 12,998 of which 4,969 are classed as "unknown." According to "Register of the Dead," at the superintendent's office, 128 sons of Penn' lie here, each grave being appropriately marked. The cemetery contains seventy-five acres, enclosed by a substantial six foot granite wall, while a green hedge planted just within, and a few feet distant from the wall, relieves the rugged character of the masonry and suggests not the city, but the "garden of the dead." The grounds beautiful naturally, are kept in perfect order and delights the eye, while it touches the heart of the visitor. The magnificent boulevard made by the government to the cemetery, together with the charming drives through the grounds, the quiet beauty of the spot itself and the historical associations connected with it all tend to make our visit to this spot one of the most enjoyable feasts which Chattanooga, with all her wealth of scenery can furnish.

Of the many unique inscriptions found here, I will quote but three.

The noblest troop,  
The flashing blade,  
The bugle's stirring blast,  
The charge, the dreadful commode,  
The din and shout are past.

No rumor of the foe's advance  
Now sweeps upon the wind;  
No troubled thought at midnight hours  
Of loved ones left behind.

No vision of the morrow's strife  
The warrior's dream alarms;  
No heaving form nor screaming life,  
At dawn shall call to arms.

**CONFEDERATE CEMETERY.**  
Among the three other cities of the dead, the Confederate is most prominent. It contains 2,500 bodies gathered by the Ladies' Confederate Memorial association from the battle-fields of Missionary Ridge, Chickamauga and Lookout Mountain. A handsome monument has been erected to the

memory of the Confederate dead by this association. "These are the resting place of a vast army of those who died for principle, held dearer than life and whose deeds will shed lustre on the fame of American manhood forever."

The scenery surrounding Chattanooga is very beautiful and romantic, as well as historic, making it a very desirable place of residence. Not only is the city fortunate in scenery, but it is hallowed by sacred memories of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. They, too, are linked in, as a part of the city in the great tragic history of the country. Interest has deepened each year since the bloody conflict of 1863 in these battle-fields, until almost every state in the union has aided to convert these bloody battle-fields into a National Military park.

Chattanooga is full of places of deep interest to the old soldiers, and the spots that were once marked by the blood of their comrades are now marked with bronze tablets that will stand for ages to tell of their gallantry. Next week will appear a further description of the historical places in and around Chattanooga, including the battle-fields.

### MYSTERIOUS DEATHS.

Three Polish Children Die Suddenly and Physicians Are Puzzled. Coroner Is Investigating.

The death of the three small children of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Yarka, Polish residents on Scott street, Olyphant, from unknown causes, has caused no little excitement in the borough and has started an investigation by Coroner J. E. Saltry.

The oldest child, aged 7 years, was taken ill on Sunday last and Dr. Kranz, who was summoned, was unable to diagnose the case. The little girl died on Thursday afternoon and on Thursday night two of the other children, a girl aged 5 years, and a boy aged 3 years, were taken sick. These two died yesterday morning.

Dr. Kranz was at a loss to know the cause of death and refused to issue a certificate of death. He notified Coroner Saltry yesterday afternoon and the latter went up to Olyphant last night. He performed an autopsy on the body of the oldest child at Propokovitch's undertaking establishment, assisted by Drs. Van Sickle and Kranz.

The medical men were unable to find any pathological indications of any known disease and were forced to arrive at the conclusion that the child must have taken something poisonous into the stomach. The coroner removed the stomach and will have an analysis of its contents made.

He impaneled a jury and will conduct an inquest as soon as this analysis is completed.

**Pensions Granted.**  
Washington, Jan. 10.—Three pensions have been granted: Simon Wark, Pittston, \$12; John B. Boyer, of Gosport City, \$9.

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This advertisement is written to attract you to this sale. We want you to see the goods and the prices at which they are sold. If we can accomplish this, you will not only buy quickly yourself but will interest your friends. That's what we are aiming at, to spread the news of this *Great Clearing Sale*

**In Our Boys' and Children's Department**  
Reefer Overcoats—\$2.50 Reefers now selling at..... \$1.90  
\$3.00 Reefers now selling at..... 1.90  
\$3.50 Reefers now selling at..... 2.40  
Vestee Suits—\$2.00 Suits now selling at \$1.45  
\$2.00 Suits now selling at..... 1.55  
\$2.50 Suits now selling at..... 1.80  
Boys' Ulster Collar Reefer Overcoats—  
\$2.50 Overcoats at..... \$1.50  
\$3.50 Overcoats at..... 2.75  
\$4.00 Overcoats at..... 2.80  
\$4.50 Overcoats at..... 2.90  
\$7.00 Overcoats at..... 5.25  
\$10.00 Overcoats at..... 6.00  
Boys' Scotch Wool Sweaters, \$1 new striped color effects, all reduced to..... 69c

**Men's Suits....**  
\$10 Suits—Neat Fancy Worsteds Cloths, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$6.90  
\$12 Suits—Fancy Tweeds and Worsteds, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$7.90  
\$15 Suits—Silk Mixed Worsteds and Cassimeres, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$9.90  
\$18 Suits—Fine Cloth Qualities, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$11.90  
\$20 Suits—The Newest Fashion Plate styles, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$14.90  
**Overcoats.**  
\$12 Overcoats—Medium Chestertfield length, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$7.90  
\$15 Overcoats—Full Box Yoke style, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$9.90  
\$18 Overcoats—Swell Broad Shoulder Yoke, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$11.90  
\$20 and \$25 Overcoats—Fine Cloth Qualities, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$15.00  
\$30 Overcoats—Best Cloth Qualities, remarked for this Clearing Sale..... \$20.00  
IN OUR SHOW WINDOWS.

**Men's Trousers**  
\$3 Trousers reduced to 1.95  
3.50 Trousers reduced to 2.40  
4.50 Trousers reduced to 2.90  
5.00 Trousers reduced to 3.40  
All Finer Qualities Reduced Accordingly.

**Clearing Sale Of Men's Shoes**  
Every pair of shoes in this department is strictly up-to-date, having only arrived in this store from the factory three months ago. It's Clearing Sale time with us—that's the reason for these reductions:  
\$3 Fine Box Calf—Double sole and heel and extra heavy shank, Clearing Sale Price..... \$2.50  
\$2.50 Shoes, Strong Box Calf, waterproof goatskin, lined throughout; a stylish and serviceable shoe, now reduced to..... \$2.00  
\$4.00 Shoes—In box calf, black vici kid, enamel and patent leather, extra well finished; reduced for this Clearing Sale to..... \$3.00  
5.00 Fine Shoes—In Wax Calf, enamel box and crome patent leather; the finest dress shoes we carry in stock, now reduced to..... 4.00  
**Gent's Furnishing Prices.**  
FANCY RIBBED UNDERWEAR—Real quality, made and finished. Fifty cent. Reduced to..... 39c  
NATURAL GREY WOOL, FLEECE LINED, double breasted. Price..... 39c  
\$1.50 MANHATTAN SHIRTS—All this season's latest patterns. Re..... 98c  
\$2.00 MANHATTAN SHIRTS—Newest patterns. Reduced for this \$1.48  
\$1.00 SHIRTS—In small lots, only a few of each pattern. Reduced..... 69c  
\$1.00 SHIRTS—New patterns, only arrived from the factory a month ago. We have marked them for this \$89c  
\$1.00 WOOLEN SWEATERS..... 79c  
\$1.00 GLOVES, either lined or unlined "Moss" or tan goatskin..... 79c  
\$5.00 FUR DRIVING GLOVES—Genuine calf, lined with cotton. \$3.98  
Price reduced to..... \$3.98  
25c WOOLEN HOSIERY, now reduced to..... 15c  
\$6.00 DRESS SUIT CASES..... \$4.50  
\$2.00 DRESS SUIT CASES..... \$1.45  
You will find in our Furnishing Department many of the useful things not mentioned here at Clearing Sale prices.

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