

## AFTER ALL

# Experience Beats the Argument.

We might say much in an effort to convince you where to buy Clothing, but "saying" is easy. Talk is cheap. After you have tested a thing

## You Know.

If you have bought from us, we have nothing more to say. We are willing for the goods to do the talking. If you haven't, then this is the time to do it. We are prepared to exhibit the production of some of the best manufacturers in America.

Some clothing is made and some is, well, half made.

## OURS IS MADE.

Some clothing is planned and cut by artists, some by "scrubs."

Clothing sold by us is cut and planned by men whose reputation is their capital, and who study to keep their reputation up.

## ANOTHER THING :

Improvements are being made all the time in "building suits." Our manufacturers are progressive, pushing people, and are ever on the alert.

Of course a well-dressed man must have in addition to a nice suit all other things nice. Hat, Shoes, Cravats, Collars, Shirts, Cuffs, Suspenders, Hose, Underwear, &c. We have them.

## KETCHIN MERCANTILE CO.

### LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

Friday, December 13 -- 1901

—Mrs. Oliver Johnson is visiting in town.

—The next lyceum attraction is Eugene May, January 8th.

—Mass meeting to-morrow at the court house at 12 o'clock.

—W. D. Douglass, Esq., went to Gaffney this week on professional business.

—Mechan's Dog Show gave two highly enjoyed entertainments here Wednesday.

—Cotton has been bringing a fairly fair price all this week, from 7 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 8 cents.

—Blind Tom, the musician and eighth wonder of the world, is to be here December 18th.

—But few expressions of opposition to the proposed bonds are to be heard on the streets.

—Mrs. Jno. M. Harden has returned from Lancaster where she has been visiting relatives.

—The Good Roads Convention assembles in Greenville Monday. The railroads give one fare for the round trip. Supervisor Hood will attend.

—A quarter a quarter is the amount that a committee representing the reading room will ask each family for. Turn not a deaf ear when they call.

—Miss Kathryn Kellam, the milliner for Caldwell Dry Goods Company, was called home a few days ago on account of an accident that had befallen her brother.

—A small out-house on the farm of Mr. J. M. Stewart, near town, was burned Wednesday evening. It contained some seed cotton and farm implements.

—One condition of Blind Tom's coming to Winstboro is the piano in the Theopian Hall is to be tuned. It is to be hoped that this great musician won't stay away so long the next time.

—Rev. J. H. Yarborough, of Blackstock, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Fort Lawn, Harmony and Hopewell churches, to take effect 1st of January, 1902. The Blackstock and Woodward congregations regret his removal.

—Chester Reporter.

—Dr. R. B. Hanahan and J. E. McDonald, Esq., have been in Charleston this week attending

the grand lodge. Other representatives in attendance from this county were: W. H. Ruff and R. S. Spence, Ridgeway; Jno. G. Wolling, Wolling; Jno. A. Stewart, Blackstock.

—Hennies, the photographer, is now in Winstboro for this week only.

**School books, pencils, tablets, etc., at The News and Herald office.**

—For Rent—Two three-room cottages. Apply to J. O. Boag.

#### Fire Company.

There will be a meeting of the fire company this evening at 7:15 o'clock. Geo. B. McMaster, Secretary.

#### Another Store Robbed.

Monday night the store of R. T. Matthews & Son was broken into and goods amounting to about \$25 were stolen. No clue to the robbery so far.

—Winter shoes now going at a fraction over cost. M. W. Doty & Co.

—A most complete line of Xmas goods at G. A. White's.

**All the Xmas magazines at The News and Herald office.**

#### Hot Supper.

There will be a hot supper December 20th at the residence of Mr. C. S. Smith, the proceeds of which will be used for the purchase of a library for the Mossy Dale school. There should be a good attendance.

#### A Few Noves.

Mrs. M. R. Gladden has moved into a portion of Mrs. Hattie McCrley's house. The house vacated by Mrs. Gladden will be occupied again by Mrs. Mary Landecker. Mr. Chas. Douglass will move into the house of Mr. Richmond which Mrs. Landecker has been occupying.

—Now is the time to buy you a good cook stove while J. O. Boag is selling them at greatly reduced prices.

—Fresh jersey butter at 20 cents a pound always on hand at F. E. Propst's.

—WANTED.—Cowpeas, any variety any quantity. Advance price paid for prompt delivery. H. B. Kefor.

—We still have some flooring, ceiling, siding laths and moulding unsold.

M. W. Doty & Co.  
Teachers' Meeting.

The third meeting of the teachers' association was held Saturday. Both Mr. McMahan and Mr. McGhee were present, adding greatly to the success of the meeting. The following is a list of the faithful teachers in attendance despite the cold:

Misses Genie Anderson, Eunice Bacon, Hattie Buchel, Miss Cody, Ellen Ellison, Nannie Phinney, Anna Lou Martin, Alice McMaster, Bessie McMaster, Emily Obeah, Lottie Gray Rabb, Mattie Sitgreaves, Susie Yarborough, Mr. Henry, Mr. J. P. Quarles, Prof. W. H. Witherow.

The next meeting will be at Winstboro the second Saturday in January.

—Have your photos made for Xmas by Hennies, now in Winstboro. 6 nice photos for 75c. This week only.

—J. W. Seigler has a beautiful line of China ware, cut glass, lamps, etc., from which you can select a beautiful Christmas present.

#### Xmas Goods.

My stock of Xmas goods is the largest I have ever carried. I am prepared to supply all of Santa Claus' wants. I want you to call and see me before buying your Xmas goods.

G. A. White.

#### The Reading Room.

The meeting of those interested in the continuance of the reading room called for Tuesday afternoon was well attended, and much interest was shown. After the reading of the treasurer's report, which showed the enterprise to be in a favorable condition, it was decided to continue the room another year, all being highly pleased with the work so far accomplished. An executive committee of six was appointed, and held a meeting that afternoon, at which it was decided to raise the funds for carrying on the room another year by calling upon each family using it for a quarter a year. This is a very small sum that every family can well afford to pay in consideration of the benefits to accrue. This committee also decided to change the room to an apartment in the building occupied as The News and Herald office, which will be partitioned off for that purpose. This move will enable the room to be run cheaper, and will give the additional advantages of being open at all hours of the day and being on the ground floor. It is to be hoped that it will be made a far greater success another year than ever before, and can easily be with a good liberal support on the part of the whole community.

—This is the sausage season, and McMaster Co. have anything to say to you in this issue in regard to sausage seasoning.

—All persons are hereby warned from hunting or otherwise trespassing on my Robertson place. M. W. Doty.

—In every department of his store J. O. Boag has great bargains for you. Be sure to give him a call.

**A beautiful line of stationery at The News and Herald office.**

—J. O. Boag offers a big lot of brick at the very lowest prices for the cash.

#### Saved at Grave's Brink.

"I know I would long ago have been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. H. Newsum, of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffered untold agony from the worst forms of Indigestion, Water-brash, Stomach and Bowel Dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles Electric Bitters are a positive, guaranteed cure. Only 50c at McMaster Co.'s drug store.

### The Firemen's Banquet.

The snow that began to fall Thursday evening just after dark did not prevent any of the firemen from gathering at the town hall at the appointed hour of 8 o'clock. Soon the pleasing announcement was made that all things were ready over at the Duval Hotel, to which the firemen and their guests at once retired. There they found that elaborate preparations had been made for them. The menu was all that could be desired.

After all had partaken heartily, Toastmaster Jordan announced as the first toast of the evening, "Our Town." This was responded to by Mayor Ketchin in a very happy and appropriate manner. He not only emphasized some of the characteristics that had made Winstboro the peculiar town she is, but also spoke of some of the improvements that should be effected for her further advancement.

The next toast, "Taxes," was responded to by Treasurer Wylie, who in a few happy remarks added much pleasure to the occasion.

With these two the regular toasts were ended. But others were called upon, and there were several good responses. The toast of Prof. Witherow on "Our Schools" was greatly enjoyed.

When the speakmaking was ended, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, that the members of the fire company extend their thanks to the generous citizens of Winstboro who contributed to the banquet fund.

Resolved, that these resolutions be printed in The News and Herald.

While no resolution was passed, each and every one had a kind word of appreciation for the way in which Mrs. Duval had performed her part.

At an early hour all left feeling that it was good to have been there. It was a most delightful occasion.

—The Carolina Hardware Company have five more stoves and five more wagons left that they are offering at net cost. They also make a paint offer that should interest you.

—Santa Claus has established his headquarters at G. A. White's.

—A big quantity of matting at regular bargain prices at J. O. Boag's.

—Our entire stock of millinery at greatly reduced prices. Come and take advantage of the great bargains we are now offering. Mrs. A. L. McCrley.

—J. O. Boag is offering his entire stock of furniture at such prices that you should not fail to buy your furniture now.

#### For Rent.

Six-room dwelling, store, barn, cattle shed on  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lot at Nelson's postoffice (Simpson's station). Telephone connections with any part of county or State, S. C. Apply to C. B. RICHARDSON, Nelson, S. C.

#### The Time Extended.

The public is hereby notified that several of the publishing houses have extended the time for the exchange of second hand books for those of the new adaptation to Jan. 1st, 1902.

W. L. Rosborough,  
Co. Supt. Education.

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#### NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that all parties holding claims against the County will send them in for approval on or before the 23rd of this month.

12-13-3t A. D. HOOD,  
Supervisor F. C.

#### NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that all overseers who have not put in their full time on the roads are most earnestly requested to do so during this month. And I would suggest the sooner the better, since the hands have already begun to change places.

12-13-3t A. D. HOOD,  
Supervisor F. C.

**Notice to Creditors.**

All parties having any claims against the estate of Grace A. Hagood, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same within thirty (30) days, and all parties indebted to the said estate are hereby notified to come forward and settle with the undersigned.

J. H. HAGOOD, Executor,  
12-10-4t Blythewood, S. C.

## HARD TIMES.

The people are crying hard times, but if times are hard Dry Goods are cheap. If you will give us a few minutes of your time we will prove this to you. Take an item like Unbleached Home-spun, goods that were 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  last fall, now 5c. The quality you paid 5c for, now 4c. This is the cheap line; it is the same in higher class goods. Fine French Flannels that were \$1.25 a yard last fall are \$1.00 now; and so on all through the list you have to buy. Our stock is complete and we make the prices to suit hard times.

#### Shoes.

We can suit every one in Shoes.

Ladies' Shoes in all the new shapes, cheap grades, and fine patent leathers. We have them to fit your purse as well as your feet.

Children's Shoes, all styles and any quality.

Men's Shoes, from a coarse Brogan at 93c to fine Patent Vici at \$4.00. We sell the kind that wear.

#### Clothing.

For men of all ages and shapes; made to fit, made to wear, and made at cheap prices. We can suit the boys in goods that will stand hard times.

#### Dress Goods.

Our stock in this line is continually being replenished.

We can please you in all the new style goods—Broad-cloths, French Flannels, Venetians, Poplins, Granite Cloths, and the greatest line of Black Goods and Silks you ever saw in this town.

We have the Trim-mings to match in all style, Applique, Braid, and any color Velvet.

#### Notions.

All the little new things in this line that you do not find in the ordinary store. Ask you specially to see our new Belts and Belting. The variety in Gloves, Hosiery and Corsets.

#### Underwear

to suit every one—men, women and children—both in cotton and wool. The quality the best, the price low.

#### Blankets

in wool and cotton; prices lower than last season. Flannels in the different colors—all grades.

We give premiums with every \$10.00 cash spent with us. You do not have to spend that much at one time, but just as it suits you. Investigate this. The premiums are good, useful articles, worth your attention. We want your trade, and will save you money if you buy from us.

## The Caldwell Dry Goods Company.

## A Handsome Toilet Case Free.

Come and See It At

## OUR STORE.

For every 25 cents purchase you will be entitled to a guess at the number of grains of corn in a pint fruit jar. The nearest guess gets the case. Corn to be counted DECEMBER 25TH.

Christmas Goods to suit every taste. Fine China, Lamps, all kinds of Celluloid goods, Toilet Cases, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Glove Boxes, Albums, Pearl Handle Knives, Carving Sets, Nut Crackers and Picks, and a lot of other beautiful goods that you must come to see in order to appreciate their beauty.

## R. T. Matthews & Son.

### THANKSGIVING SPECIALTIES

One Barrel Saratoga Chips.  
One Barrel Malaga Grapes.  
Kalamazoo Celery.  
Cape Cod Cranberries.  
Stuffed Persian Dates.  
Heinz's Mince Meat.  
Heinz's Preserves and Pickles.  
Prunes, Nuts and Figs.  
Hecker's Buckwheat.  
New crop New Orleans Molasses, 60c  
Genuine Maple Syrup in cans.  
Large fat No. 1 Mackerel.  
Full line Heavy Groceries always on hand.

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Fine Groceries.  
Ask for trading stamps.

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Railroad, land, and water power surveys made. Plans and estimates furnished. 11-5

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