

THE PRESS

Abbeville, S. C.

W. A. LEE, EDITOR.

TERMS—Three Dollars a year in advance...

Friday, December 10, 1869.

The Accounts of the Abbeville Banner.

Our friends will bear in mind that we have no control over the accounts...

Notice to our Patrons.

All persons who are indebted to our office for subscription or advertising...

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Annual Message of President Grant when compared with the voluminous Messages of some of his predecessors...

The President congratulates the county upon the enjoyment of peace and the blessings of freedom...

On the subject of reconstruction, he says: "Seven States which passed ordinances of secession have been fully restored to their places in the Union..."

He recommends the admission of Virginia into the Union, and expresses the hope that the recent elections in Mississippi and Texas will be followed by much legislative action...

With regard to the public debt, the President suggests the propriety of taking up the bonds of the Government...

He recommends the postponement of a session of the laws on the subject of the tariff and internal taxation until the next session of Congress...

With regard to the Alabama claims the President assumes the extreme ground which has been taken by the Senate in the rejection of the Johnson-Clarendon treaty...

In regard to the French ocean cable company, which has exclusive rights, calling off the United States from competition upon the shores of France, the President recommends legislation to protect the rights of the citizens of the United States...

The President urgently recommends the total repeal of the Tenure-of-office law, and advises that the Indians be placed in large reservations...

The Senatorial Election.

We publish elsewhere the report of the Senate Committee. The position assumed by the Committee is that the election should be pronounced null and void, because of illegal conduct in the County Canvassers in not rejecting the vote at Calhoun's Mills...

SALE DAY.

There was a large attendance of our fellow-citizens on Monday last. In spite of the present anomalous political condition, our people are hopeful and active, and are putting forth every energy to build up their ruined fortunes...

By the Clerk, M. McDonald: Estate of Alexander Hunter, Tract of 171 acres, price \$1025, purchaser Sam'l Hunter; also tract of 298 acres price \$1150, same purchaser.

By Wm. Hill, Probate Judge: Estate of B. Boyd, tract of 96 acres price \$240, purchaser A. J. Weed.

Estate of Alexander Martin, 204 acres, \$800, purchaser James Carlie, also 119 acres \$800, purchaser H. J. Lomax.

Estate H. B. Nickles, 249 acres \$2300, purchaser James Nickles, also 232 acres 1900, purchaser J. L. McCord; also 213 acres \$2500, purchaser J. Alf McCord.

By H. S. Cason, 5th: Tract of L. B. Gailibeau, 110 acres price \$300, purchaser A. Gailibeau. Tract of 514 1/2 Rf, 100 acres, price \$825, purchaser T. F. Riley.

Tract of J. D. Adams 288 acres, price \$340, purchaser Mrs. Whitley.

We direct attention to the advertisement of Messrs. J. M. Hudson & Co., who are offering at Graves Cross Roads a cheap and well selected stock of goods just received from Charleston. They have a fine variety of prints, blouses, poplins, balbriggans, muslins, tweeds, kerseys, cassimere, and all kinds of goods...

LEGISLATURE.

The proceedings of the Legislature during the past week, present no matters of very special interest.

The Abbeville election case has been recommitted to the Senate Committee, and there it promises to remain buried.

The election for the vacancy in the Supreme Bench caused by the resignation of Hoge has not yet come off. Judge Orr and Whipper (colored) seem to be the prominent candidates.

It is proposed to create an additional Circuit to be composed of Beaufort, and the adjoining counties. A bill to provide for the better protection of the holders of insurance policies in the State has been introduced...

A bill is pending providing for the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds and Stocks of the State, in coin.

Bills have been passed to regulate the manner of selling lands at public sale; to amend the law relative to the recording of mortgages and bills.

The Judiciary Committee recommended that the salary of the Judges of the First Circuit be \$5000. They also recommended that the bill to prevent the arrest of State constables do not pass.

Cain gave notice that he would introduce a bill to protect the depositors of savings and trust companies, and secure the same by the institution of depositing securities with the State Treasurer, the securities to be State bonds and stocks.

In the Senate, a concurrent resolution of the House, requesting the Land Commissioner to report the quantity of land purchased with the State Constabulary, that he would attend a wedding in the neighborhood of Greenwood, on Thursday night of the past week, a party of four headed by Jerry Hollinshead, surrounded the house where Tolbert was, and affected an entrance. Tolbert's pistol missed fire, and so did Hollinshead's. Tolbert then fired, striking Hollinshead successively in the side and thigh. One of the party then shot Tolbert through the heart. Hollinshead's wounds are not serious.

New Firm.—We direct attention to the advertisement of the dissolution of co-partnership of the firm of Parker & Thomson, and the continuance of the business by the new firm of Parker & Lee.

A hearing was held by the Judiciary Committee of both Houses in joint session, on Saturday morning, upon a Bill providing that all sales under orders or decrees in equity shall be made by the sheriffs of the several counties. A vigorous contest is now going on between the Clerks and Sheriffs, each regarding the profits and fees of these sales as the proper emoluments of their offices.

By the undersigned would take this public method of returning his thanks to Mrs. Hinton, Rev. Mr. Black, James Bailey, Esq., Mr. Roberts, and others, for kindness and hospitality extended to him on the occasion of his recent wounding in the arrest of W. K. Tolbert, on the night of Thursday, the 2d inst.

Call at Parker & Lee's Drug Store and get the "Dance of Modern Life," a modest little volume, which gives the moral and scriptural arguments against dancing in any and all of its phases.

See advertisement in another column of Messrs. Wilcox, Gibbs & Co., Importers and Dealers in Guano. Messrs. Jno. Knox & Co. are their agents at this place.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

The following is the list of numbers of the Executive Committee of the Abbeville Agricultural Society.

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In the next issue of the Press, I propose publishing a scheme by which the Society may be firmly established upon a sound basis, and which I respectfully ask the members of the Committee to reflect upon, and if they approve of it, to circulate it in their respective sections.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. JAMES M. LATIMER, JOHN E. BROWNLEE, SAM'L Y. JESTER, ED. CALHOUN, D. M. RODGERS, PETER GULLIBEAU, M. O. McCASLAN, CATLET CORLEY, J. H. WIDEMAN, M. C. TAGGART, J. D. GAILLARD, R. A. GRIFFIN, D. M. RODGERS, W. T. HENDERSON, A. M. AIKEN, G. W. HODGES, W. B. MCGIBBE, G. MATTISON, JAMES PRATT, C. C. ELLIS, W. J. SMITH, W. H. PARKER, G. M. MILLER, H. W. LAWSON.

With the following officers of the Society: D. W. Aiken, President. C. T. Haskell, vice-President. F. A. Connor, Treasurer. J. S. Cothran, Cor. Secretary. W. A. Lee, Rec. Secretary. D. WYATT AIKEN, President.

Death of W. K. Tolbert.

We received the particulars of the killing of Tolbert, shortly after the publication of our last issue. Information having been given to the State Constabulary, that he would attend a wedding in the neighborhood of Greenwood, on Thursday night of the past week, a party of four headed by Jerry Hollinshead, surrounded the house where Tolbert was, and affected an entrance. Tolbert's pistol missed fire, and so did Hollinshead's. Tolbert then fired, striking Hollinshead successively in the side and thigh. One of the party then shot Tolbert through the heart. Hollinshead's wounds are not serious.

Brick! Brick!

Persons wishing Brick can be supplied by the undersigned, one mile below the Village, and at a reasonable price.

NOTICE.

Important Sale. On the 29th inst., at the late residence of Col. James M. Perrin, deceased, the Personal Estate of the deceased remaining in the House and on the lot, consisting of a Piano, Household Furniture, Carpets, Beds, Plate, and many other things.

Farmers!

Increase your Crops and improve your Lands by using PHOENIX GUANO.

WILCOX, GIBBS & CO.

Imported by us direct from the Phoenix Islands South Pacific Ocean.

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STATE AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The following is a synopsis from the report of Mr. Ruben Tomlinson: The total amount received on account of taxes for fiscal year 1869, to October 31, 1869, inclusive, is \$1,028,363.93.

The real property of the State is estimated at \$76,125,021, a m and the personal at \$114,953,467. "But," says the Auditor, "it is general admitted, I believe, even by those most opposed to the present Government, that the real estate and personal property of the State would be below their true value at \$200,000,000."

The State Board of Equalization was called together and found the property returns as above stated. The duty imposed upon the Board by the law is an elastic and explicit as any other duty under it. That duty was to raise the real property of the several counties to what they believed to be its true value. This they did. It has been asserted that this increase was made in order to raise the amount of revenue needed by the State.

The advertisement of Messrs. Riley & Jordan Bro., Greenwood, S. C., of which we made a notice in our last, appears in another column. These gentlemen have a fine stock, and our friends will do well to call.

See advertisement of the sale of the personal estate of Col. James M. Perrin, deceased, at his late residence in Abbeville village, on the 29th inst.

See advertisement of Mr. T. W. McMillan, to those wanting Brick.

See advertisement of the sale of Wm. O. Purseley, on sale day in January, at Abbeville C. H.

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Drug Store at Abbeville Court House.

New Firm of Parker & Lee, (SUCCESSORS TO PARKER & THOMSON.)

Mr. J. A. THOMSON having sold, to Dr. J. J. LEE, his interest in the Drug Store lately conducted under the name of Parker & Thomson, the business will be continued in the name of Parker & Lee. By close attention to business they hope to retain the liberal patronage given the firm of Parker & Thomson. They have secured the efficient services of Mr. R. N. WHITE and in addition customers may expect to find one of the Firm always present.

DR. E. PARKER, DR. J. J. LEE. December 10, 1869, 33, 1f

To the people of Graves' Cross Roads and Vicinity.

J. M. HUDSON & CO. would respectfully call the attention of the people in that vicinity to their well selected and cheap stock of Goods just received from the city of Charleston, consisting of English and American Prints, Balbriggans, Plaids, Fines, Hosiery, Gloves, Embroideries, Braids, Buttons, Jacons, and Swiss Muslins, Brown and Bleached Home-spuns, Alabama Stripes, Ombouges, Kerseys, Cassimeres, Tweeds and Longcloths, Sugar, Coffee, Cheese, Malasses, Mackerel, Candy, Raisins, Hardware, Crockery and Tinware, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps.

RILEY & JORDAN BROS. GREENWOOD, S. C.

OFFER to their friends, customers and the public generally, one of the LARGEST Stock of Goods they have ever bought, consisting in part of a full and complete line of

DRY GOODS

Dress Goods' Trimmings, Hats, Cloaks, SHAWLS, & C., as we have a complete line of the above goods.

READY-MADE CLOTHING, GENTS' HATS, ASS'T.

Our Stock of HARDWARE, WOODENWARE, CROCKERY, and SADDLERY is complete in every line. BOOTS and SHOES in almost endless variety. LEATHER, the best calf skins in town—French. Good assortment COTTAGE BEDSTEADS—cheap. We still keep a full line of Family Groceries, such as

Riley & Jordan Bros.

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BLUE GRASS SEED, PARKER & LEE'S.

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ELIX BARK and Prot. xide of Iron, Ferro. Phosphated Calassya Bark with Biemuth.

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MANGE OINTMENT, for Dogs, PARKER & LEE'S.

Dec 10, 1869, 33, 1f

Thumb and Spring Lancets, Male Catheters, Silver, PARKER & LEE'S.

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"DANCE OF MODERN LIFE," PARKER & LEE'S.

Dec 10, 1869, 33, 1f

JUST RECEIVED. FRESH CURRANTS, Fresh Raisins, Currants, Cheese, Fire Crackers, sold at PARKER & LEE'S.

Dec 10, 1869, 33, 2f

WHERAS Lorenzo D. Kennedy has made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of Isaac C. Kennedy, deceased, late of said county.

Dec 10, 1869, 33—2f

Wm. O. Purseley, Administrator vs. Narcissa Purseley, Amanda Johnson and others.

Dec 10, 1869, 33—2f

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LAST COLUMN

ON THE

EDITORIAL PAGE!

WHITE BROTHERS

FALL & WINTER STOCK

COMPLETE, and they expect to keep it in this condition during the season. We are continually ordering GOODS, and scarcely ever get out of leading articles.

DRESS GOODS,

Which, although considerably depleted by sales, is still quite full and desirable. We keep constantly on hand a large assortment of

HOSIERY AND GLOVES.

We would keep our lady friends in mind of our genuine

DRY GOODS

generally is unusually large and well-assorted in all its different departments. Our purpose is to sell

FIRST-CLASS GOODS,

Such as will do good service and give entire satisfaction. A great many of our customers need not be advised that it is in accordance with the strictest economy to buy a good article of any thing.

GOODS

Of any description, to call and examine for themselves.

WHITE BROTHER.

A LARGE STOCK OF READY-MADE CLOTHING,

FOR SALE BY WHITE BROTHERS. October 29, 1869, 27—6f

A FULL SUPPLY OF THE LATEST STYLES OF GENTS' HATS,

JUST RECEIVED. AMONG THEM THE CELEBRATED Don Carlo's Hat,

WHITE BROTHERS.

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WHITE BROTHERS

OFFER for sale the largest stock of BOOTS AND SHOES

They ever brought to this market. Hand-Sewed Water Proof Boots, Hand-Sewed Creole Congress Gaiters,

MEN'S WAX BROGANS, MEN'S BALMORALS,

Miles' Ladies' Shoes. Of all styles and sizes.

MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S SHOES.

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BLANKETS! BLANKETS!

11x4 All-Wool—Bed Blankets, 10x8 All-Wool—Bed Blankets. Common White Blankets, Common Grey Blankets. The above for sale by

WHITE BROTHERS.

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