

Local Matters

For sale King's Improved Cotton Seed. Apply to B. Cunningham, Lancaster, S. C.

Call at L. M. Co's and get Florida cotton seed.

T. W. McMurray.

8 good milk cows for sale. R. J. & J. D. Glenn, R F D No 1 Lancaster S. C.

Mrs L C Payscur is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs J E Poore, in Columbia.

The county received a check Monday for \$5,000, which has been borrowed from the State Sinking fund to meet the current county expenses.

Our merchants have signed the agreement for early closing of the stores, and beginning next Monday the stores will be closed at 6:30 p. m., except on Saturdays, until Sept 1st, next.

The Spring millinery opening of the L M Co., will come off April 4th and 5th. See adv in this issue.

At a recent meeting of the county board of control the salaries of the dispensers in this county were raised from \$65 to \$75 each per month, and the salaries of their clerks from \$35 to \$40 each.

State Constable Henry McManus moved his family from this place to Charleston this week. Mr McManus has been assigned to that division of the constabulary.

The residence of Dr F C Hinson at Primus came near being burned Monday supposedly from sparks lighting on the roof. A large hole was burned in the roof and ceiling before the fire was extinguished.

Married, March 23, 1905, at the Unity manse, by Rev J M White, Mr H M McCain and Miss Maggie Wallace, all of the Unity section.

Married, March 26, 1905, by Rev Thos Blackmon, Mr Wm Holly and Miss Lily Morgan, daughter of Mr A J Morgan, all of Flat Creek township.

The pay of the keeper of the County Home has been raised by the county board of commissioners from \$5.50 to about \$7 per month per inmate for the keeping of the county's paupers.

A reward of \$50 has been offered for the arrest and conviction of the party who stole \$20 from a trunk at Mr Wesley Hunter's, a coat and vest from Mr Claudius Funderburk's, a coat and vest from Mr Ransom Hunter's and a suit of clothes from Mr John Carnes', all in the Tabernacle section, on the 17th instant.

Mr Jas H Stevens, who has been spending sometime at Asheville, N C, is at home for a short time. His many friends here are glad to see him looking so well. —Cherokee Chronicle.

The Vitae Ore Remedies.

I have accepted the agency for the famous Vitae Ore remedies and will be pleased to furnish them to any one desiring to try them. They may be found at any time at the store of Mr. A. W. Chance, in Lancaster. I will also be in town on every Saturday, with additional supplies of the packages.

The remedies will cure rheumatism, heart trouble, bladder affections, grippe, liver and kidney ailments, stomach disorders and general debility.

By writing me at Elgin, S. C., I will deliver the remedies in any part of the county.

The virtues of Vitae Ore have been fully tested and are truly wonderful, as the many testimonials I have will show.

Call on or address John M. Hagins, Elgin, S. C.

Deaths

Mr Milton Walker, youngest son of Mr J D Walker of this place, died at his home at Rannock, Va., on Friday last, 24th inst, of consumption. He was about 22 years of age and leaves a widow surviving him.

Miss Anna Cauthen, daughter of Mr Lewis Cauthen of the Pleasant Hill section, died on Friday evening last, March 24, 1905, from the effects of measles. She was about 21 years of age, a member of Fork Hill Baptist church, and an excellent young woman. Her remains were interred at Salem cemetery Saturday afternoon, the burial service being conducted by Rev David Hucks.

His old comrades of the 4th S C cavalry will regret to learn of the death of Mr Samuel H Stogner, which occurred at his home in the Flint Ridge section, on Sunday last, March 24, 1905, of pneumonia. He was about 68 years of age and leaves a large family surviving him, several of his children residing in Texas. He was a man of kind and friendly disposition, and made a gallant soldier in the war.

Young Woman Burned to Death.

Miss Ceny Williams, a young woman on Mr J B Neals plantation in Flat Creek township, was so severely burned from her dress catching afire while burning off the side of a terrace last Thursday afternoon that she died that night from the effects of her burns just a short time after Dr E C Brasington, who had been summoned, arrived at her bedside. Every particle of the young woman's clothing were burned off of her and almost her entire body was a terrible blister. Her sister Miss Annie Williams, who was with her at the time, had her hands so badly burned in her efforts to extinguish her sister's burning clothing that it is probable one of them at least will be deformed if she should recover the use of it.

To Experiment With Soils.

A special to News and Courier from Lancaster dated March 23 says: An important experiment is to be made in this vicinity by the United States bureau of soils, and Mr Frederick F Bosteel, of that department, is now here for that purpose.

It seems that the department wants to do some experimental farming on lands with yellow clay subsoils a character of soil which is found in abundance in the eastern portion of Lancaster county.

Accompanied by Judge Ira B. Jones Mr Bosteel on yesterday made a personal examination of the Judge's farms east of this place; and found exactly the kind of soil he was looking for. He selected two acres, one acre about a mile from town, and the other about two miles distant, which are to be cultivated under the direction of the National Government. Five hundred pounds of the soil will be dug up and shipped at once to Washington for analysis. Just as soon as the analysis is made the Government authorities will determine what shall be planted on the two acres, and the quantity and kind of fertilizers to be used.

The experiment will be watched with much interest by the intelligent farmers of Lancaster.

AT AUCTION

The effects of the Commercial Club, consisting of Billiard table, Pool table, Chairs, Tables, Bookcase, Pictures and other furnishings, will be sold at public auction at the club rooms on Friday, March 31st 1905, at 12 o'clock m. By order of the Board of Managers. Mar. 17, 1905.—td.

Homicide in Chester

W E Perry, an operative, shot and instantly killed Langdon L Boezer, manager of the Wylie cotton mill store, at Chester Monday. The trouble arose over a \$4 account, which Perry refused to settle Saturday night. He went to the store Monday with a pistol in his hip pocket and renewed the trouble, addressing an insulting remark at Boezer. Boezer was unarmed, and told Perry he was a coward or he would not carry a pistol, whereupon he drew his weapon and, saying, "I'll show you whether I am a coward or not," fired twice in rapid succession. His victim fell dead in his tracks in the store door. He at once took to the woods and made good his escape.

Program Moriah Union.

The Moriah Baptist Union will convene with the Taxahaw Baptist church on Friday, April 28th, 1905.

Friday 11 a m Introductory sermon. Organization.

Friday afternoon. Discussion—The revivals our churches need, and how they may be secured? Rev. T. A. Dabney, E. B. Lingle.

Does God's word leave us in doubt as to the proportion of our means we are due for the support of the Gospel? Rev. J H. Boldridge, J. F. M. Estridge.

Saturday morning. To whom, and for what purpose has the Holy spirit been given? Rev. Rice, W. L. Croxton.

The faults that hinder spiritual growth and usefulness in Christians—Rev. R. J. Blackmon, M. C. Gardner.

Saturday afternoon. The great commission (a) What is embodied. (b) The apostolic method.—W. C. Hough, Rev. Rice.

Parental responsibility—Butler Funderburk, followed by general discussion.

Sunday morning — Sunday school mass meeting, conducted by E. B. Lingle. 11 a. m. Missionary sermon, by Rev. Rice; alternate, Dr. J. H. Boldridge.

COMMITTEE

Here's Cotton Reduction Right.

"I will not plant a seed of cotton this year," said Mr W U Clyburn to the editor of The Ledger yesterday, "and every tenant on my places will reduce his cotton acreage at least one-fourth." In answer to further questions he stated, "I run an eight-horse farm individually and there are 68 plows run by tenants and croppers on my places."—"I am holding between two and three hundred bales of cotton for 10 cents, and unless some worse misfortune befalls me than what ever has, I can hold it as long as I live." Mr Clyburn is one of Lancaster county's largest and best farmers. He attended the New Orleans cotton convention and is enthusiastic in the belief that the only way for the south to get in the saddle is to reduce its cotton production—make no more cotton than is needed. Mr Clyburn is a big farmer and is setting the pace for other big farmers. What are the other big farmers of the county going to do? They say reduction is the thing. It will encourage small farmers very much to carry out their pledges of reduction to know how much the big farmers are going to reduce.

Letter to W. P. Bennett.

Lancaster, S. C.

Dear Sir: Here's a paint that's being sold to bargain-hunters:

- 10 per cent lead
- 50 " " zinc
- 20 " " barytes
- 20 " " whiting

Barytes and whiting are sand and white-wash, not paint. Some people must like gold bricks. The name of that paint is—"pure lead-and-zinc."

The dealer who sells it says it's as good as Devco.

Yours truly,
F. W. Devco & Co.
Lancaster Mercantile Co. sell our paint.

CASORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Pletcher*
The Kind You Have Always Bought

PLANT THE 25 PER CENT-Reduction of Cotton Acreage

In the very best selected market grown seed **IRISH POTATOES. Red Triumph Bliss, White Bliss, Peerless Beauty of Hebron** and others at lowest prices, Onion Sets and Garden seed

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WHY Every Man and Woman Should Insure in The New York Life.

- B**ecause it is the strongest company in the world.
- B**ecause its policies protect one million families.
- B**ecause it has over 390 million assets.
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- B**ecause it paid in dividends in 1904 over \$5,900,000.
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- B**ecause it does not invest in stocks and industrial securities.
- B**ecause its policies contain only one condition "payment of premium"
- B**ecause the insured leaves to his widow or estate a legacy and not a law suit.
- B**ecause its policies are incontestable and nonforfeitable.
- B**ecause it paid in 1904 \$40,000,000 to its policy holders.
- B**ecause it is the best estate you can leave to your family.
- B**ecause it gives you the best protection and investment combined for the money.
- B**ecause you can't afford to carry anything else when you can get the best.

Call on J. E. BLACKMON of Lancaster and give him your application.

WE WANT YOU TO COME TO OUR MILLINERY OPENING
Next Tuesday Night, April 4th,
AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th
MISS COPPEDGE has been North for some time, and she has all the latest styles and shapes in
SPRING AND SUMMER HEADGEAR!

We also have on exhibition in our DRESS GOODS department, Mohairs in all shades of blue and green—the popular colors for Spring, silk finish Eoileann—in evening shades—very pretty goods, Mohair Lustres, in any color, for shirt waist suits, Soiesette for evening and street suits, Nub Voils—make very pretty fluffy street or evening suits, Pino-Crepe, for shirt waists, ask to see them sure, they are swell.

In our shoe department we have some very pretty new spring styles in Ladies Oxfords—both tan and black, Military, French and Medium heel. Nice line Children's Oxfords, also in tans and blacks.

OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT IS AS USUAL



FULL OF NEW SPRING STYLES

DON'T OVERLOOK THE DATE Tuesday Night, April 4th and Wednesday, April 5th.
LANCASTER MERCANTILE COMPANY.