

Local Matters

—See Williams-Hughes Co's new adv.

—“May Bargains” at Cloud's. See his adv.

—A party of seiners at Cook's pond caught a carp last week which weighed 25 pounds.

—A soft shell conter, weighing 24 pounds, was caught in Cane Creek Monday. It really brought \$1.00 on this market.

—Mr John Hardin of Norfolk, Va., visited his parents, Mr and Mrs P W Hardin, here this week.

—Primus school district voted 27 to 2 in favor of the special levy of 3 mills for school purposes.

—Rev Paul Pressley will preach at the county home next Sunday at 4 o'clock p. m.

—R E Wyhe, Esq., is in attendance on the grand lodge K of P., in session at Beaufort, S. C., this week, as representative of Lancaster Lodge.

—Mrs Ira B Jones and Mrs J B Mackorell are representing Lancaster at the Federation of women's clubs of the State in session at Union this week.

—The Funderburk Co. has entered the field of competition with some prices on staple goods that will likely astonish you. It will pay you to read their adv.

—Mr J W Hasseltine was elected Clerk and Treasurer of the town to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr W F Cook's death. It is a good selection. Mr Hasseltine will make an efficient officer.

—Kershaw Era.

—Heath Springs voted the special levy of 5 mills for school purposes, the vote being 20 for and 5 against.

—The Ladies of Lancaster Chapter U. D. C., will serve ice cream and cake on the school house grounds before and after the exercises on Friday evening next.

—John Perry was fined, \$15. in Magistrate Caskey's court Saturday for assault and battery. He paid the fine in lieu of going to the gang for 30 days.

—Mr Sylvester Shute of Blackhawk, Miss., who has been visiting his brother, Mr H H Shute, in this county, returned home yesterday. His visit was shortened by the reports from his home of the backwardness of his farm work on account of continued rains.

—Capt Amos McManus' many friends were congratulating him Monday on reaching his 79th birthday, which he celebrated that day, and wishing him many more years of happiness and usefulness.

—Mr George Funderburk, of the mill town, has a chicken with 4 legs.

—We note from the Rock Hill Herald that Editor J J Hull has returned home from Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore. The treatment given him at the hospital will be continued at his home by local physicians and it will require several months to effect his recovery. His trouble was diagnosed as Spasmodic Aedema, involving the kidneys, and liver, and stomach.

—The county has certainly had its share of rain, wind and hail within the past two weeks. Numbers of farmers who failed to finish planting cotton before the rains set in, will probably not get any more planted as the season is getting late, and for the additional reason that they will have to begin fighting grass to save what they have already planted. Farmers tell us the crops are getting very grassy.

BANNER SALVE
The most healing salve in the world

—Strayed! Two small white and black spotted male pigs. Reward for their return to Walter P Davis.

—A weeks meeting will be held at the Presbyterian church beginning Sunday morning, conducted by the Synodical evangelist, Rev L G McLeese, of Greenwood. Rev F G Wardlaw, superintendent of Synodical Home Missions, will conduct the singing. The public is cordially invited.

—A special communication of Jackson Lodge No 53, A F M will be held Friday night next for the purpose of conferring the M. M. degree on two F. C's. Past Grand Master Barron of Columbia will be present and confer the degrees. A full attendance of all members is desired. At the regular communication tomorrow night the degree M M will also be conferred on two F C's.

—For Sale! 4,000 bundles of fodder at \$1 50 per hundred. Also 200 bushels of corn at 80 cents per bushel. W M Hays, O. K., S. C.

—During the thunder storm which prevailed last Wednesday night lightning struck the servant's house on Mr J M Kirkley's lot, damaging it considerably and shocking the inmates, none of whom were hurt seriously, however. Two families were living in the house.—Kershaw Era

—Miss Sallie Nisbet, of the Jacksonham section, who was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago, died Monday, May 15, 1905, at the home of her brother Mr Jeff Nisbet. She was a daughter of the late J D Nisbet, was about 55 years of age, and a consistent member of the Unity A R P church. Her remains were interred at Unity yesterday.

—Mrs Emily M Jones, widow of the late Hilton Jones, died at Kershaw last Saturday, May 13, 1905, of paralysis. She was in her 90th year and leaves the following children surviving her: Messrs B. N., B. F., Geo W., Wm., L. C., and B. D. Jones, and Mrs T C Stover and Mrs J B Magill. Her remains were interred at Sandhill Baptist church of which she was a member, on Sunday after funeral services by Dr Rice.

The Best Horses Brought Here in Five Years

Quite a number of fanciers of horse flesh were at the Gregory-Hood Stables yesterday admiring a car load of horses—match teams work horses, brood mares—the best, said Mr. Hood, brought here in five years, and all present agreed to his statement. He was also showing three pairs of match mules that can't be excelled. They are beauties. Call and see them.

Closing Exercises of the Graded Schools.

The closing exercises of the Lancaster Graded Schools will be held this week as follows:

At the Hall over the mill store, on Tuesday evening, at 8.30, an entertainment will be given by the pupils of school No. 2—under charge of Miss Grace Whisonant and Misses Hattie Miller and Eunice Beaty.

On Thursday evening in the Graded School Auditorium, there will be declamation exercises by boys of the 7th and 8th grades, and a Cantata, “A Dream of Fairy Land,” by girls of all grades.

Friday at 10 a. m.—A debate by members of the Hampton Literary Society. Subject of debate: “Resolved, That woman has done more for the development of the human race than man.”

Friday evening, 8.30: Address by Rev. J. Lee Oates of Hickory, S. C., graduating exercises, awarding of certificates, etc.

The public is cordially invited to attend the various exercises.

—Pay your Subscription.

Reduced Acreage C. S-half

Mr C W Adams of the Haile Gold Mine section, who runs six plows with hired labor has reduced his acreage in cotton from 70 acres last year to 30 acres this year, and where he used 8 tons of guano last year will only use 4 1/2 tons this year. He is considerably increasing his acreage in corn and expects to sow at least 25 in peas where he now has a most promising small grain crop. He has 3 acres in Spanish peanuts and is diversifying generally. — Mr Adams tells us that he has 225 young chickens in his yard. He has ten babies of his last year's cotton crop which he is holding for ten cents.

A Big Hail Storm

A disastrous hail storm visited the Eastern section of this county last Saturday afternoon. It extended from the Creek section, by Dixie, Gills Creek church, Flint Ridge on down through Flat Creek. It was severest in the Porter neighborhood where hail stones or rather lumps of ice are said to have fallen that could not be put into a quart cup. In that immediate section considerable damage was done to crops, gardens were ruined, orchards and vineyards badly injured, glass broken in window sash, shingles split from roofs of buildings, etc. Those who suffered the greatest loss are Messrs W G A Porter, J W A Porter, J E Porter, W J Hunter, B F Adams and others. Where cotton had been chopped to a stand these men will have to plant over but where it had not been chopped out the damage was not so great. At Mr W G A Porter's mud was splashed ten feet high on his dwelling by the hail when it struck the ground and holes where it had fallen measuring 4x5 inches were left in the yard after the hail had melted. Fortunately these very large stones fell over but a small area. In other sections along the path of the storm the stones were of medium size.

Very Sad Death of a Little Child

Yesterday morning, Earle, the little 18-months old child of Mr and Mrs James Stogner of the Douglas section, while playing on the floor got hold of an English pea, while its mother's back was turned, which it put into its mouth. Hearing the child cough the mother ran to it and found that it had gotten the pea into its windpipe. At once Mr Stogner hitched a horse to his buggy and the parents hastened to town with their baby to consult a physician. Several physicians endeavored to extricate the pea but without succeeding. It was then decided to take the child to the hospital at Rock Hill where it could be operated on but while awaiting the arrival of the train going to Rock Hill the little babe died. The parents will have the deepest sympathy of every one in the sad death of their little one.

Letter to B. J. Witherspoon.
Lancaster, S. C.

Dear Sir: The way to buy paint is to go by the name. There is a name never on sham paint or weak paint or short-measure paint; Devos.

There are a hundred different names in paint. Some are sham; some weak; some short-measure; and some all three.

If there is another such paint as Devos lead and zinc, we don't know it. There are a few fairly good paints; a few; only one Devos. A gallon Devos is worth a gallon-and-a-half of those few.

Mr. Aaron Higgins, of Plainfield, N J, always used 15 gallons of mixed paint for his house. Last spring he bought 15 gallons of Devos and had 4 gallons left.

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

Notice to the Public.

I will hold all inquests in the county. Phone to my residence at Pleasant Hill for me when needed.

J. Montgomery Caskey,
opt. 20—tf

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In Vests, Shirts and Drawers we carry all sizes, including some that are extra large.

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Money Saved is Money Made

We Want to call your attention to the fact that you can save money by trading with us.

We mention a few items and prices and leave you to draw your own conclusions.

We carry the celebrated Forbush cushion shoes for men. We are making a special cut on these—\$5 ones for \$4; \$4 ones for \$3.25; \$3.50 ones to \$2.75 and on down to 98c for a solid leather shoe.

We have a big stock of Ladies' and Misses' oxfords that must go regardless of price.

SEE THESE: Suits to suit your pocket book—from \$1.50 up to as good as you want.

FOUR SPECIALS IN DOMESTICS:

10 yards Genuine Cannon Cloth	93 cents
10 " Andros Coggin Bleach	75 cents
10 " Good Checks	35 cents
10 " Best Checks	75 cents

Just received \$850.00 in Notion Samples. Some good things in these in Shirts, Suspenders, Belts, Underwear, Hosiery, etc., etc. Come quick before they are all picked over. They are gring like hot cakes.

DON'T forget to bring your pocket book. Positively no goods charged at these prices.

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Because 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.

MAY BARGAINS.

We expect to make this month a record breaker. Never before have we been better prepared to make low prices.

2,000 yards of Madras Ginghams in full bolts, no short lengths and bad places, but the clean goods. Worth 8 1/2c, our record breaker 5c per yard.

2,000 yards of Colored Lawns and Organdie worth 8 1/2c, our record breaker, 5c per yard.

10 Doz Ladies Gauze vests, a great bargain at 5c.

25 Doz Ladies' Gauze vests, a great bargain at 10c or 3 for 25c.

10 Doz Ladies' seamless fine black hose at 7c per pair.

500 Misses and Children fans worth 10c going in this sale at 5 cts each

Men and Ladies' Oxfords.

See our line of Ladies and men's Oxfords. We are making a great reduction in prices. We have too many of these goods and they must be sold regardless of the price.

Clothing.

Our Clothing business has been a record breaker this season. We have the price on these goods in reach of everybody. And the quality is guaranteed. When in need of a fitting suit call on us and be suited.

Millinery.

Our Millinery is growing fast. Correct styles and low prices are the evidence of this fact.

E. E. CLOUD.