

From Skull Shoals.

Ms. Editor:—Since I last wrote you we have had a pretty severe drought, which has considerably injured the cotton crop, causing it to shed the under leaves and small bolls to a great extent.

Five seasons are now visiting our land and the prospects are good for future supplies; but the staple crop being late, and much injured, the standard farmers do not anticipate more than two-thirds of a crop at most.

There was on the 12th, at Abingdon Creek Church, a Sabbath school celebration, which was largely attended and conducted with "deceit and in order."

The next subject for discussion in order—in which all parties participated with a commendable zeal—was a bountifully filled table in the grove, which was well calculated to delight the eye and satisfy the appetite of the most fastidious epicure.

What the great Apostle of the Gentiles said of himself to the Corinthians, might with propriety be here repeated with regard to the pastor of this flock.

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Senator M. C. Butler informs the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times that he is not the counsel for Senator Patterson, as has been reported.

The Executive Committee. OF the Union County Agricultural and Mechanical Society will meet at the Hall on the Fair Grounds, on Saturday, the 8th of September.

The Annual Meeting. OF the Board of County Commissioners will be held the first Tuesday in September.

Notice to Creditors. IN pursuance to order of Hon. L. C. Northrop, Judge of the Seventh Circuit, dated and filed this day, in a cause pending in the Court of Common Pleas for Union County, all persons holding claims against the estate of William H. Long, deceased, are required to present and establish the same before me, in my office, on or before the first day of October, next.

Fresh Turnip Seed. FOR sale at RICE, McLURE & CO'S.

Pine Wood For Sale. CORDED Pine Wood, near Town, for sale at \$1 per Cord. Apply to J. W. McLURE.

To the Creditors of I. M. Gregory. THE creditors of I. M. Gregory will oblige me by informing me of the amount of claims they hold against the estate of the deceased, in order that I may know how to act in settling up the estate.

Notice to All Tax Payers. THE County Board of Equalization will meet for the transaction of business, on the first Monday in September, at 12 o'clock.

VALUABLE FARMING LAND FOR SALE. THE Plantation of 368 Acres, on Mill Creek, bounded by lands of A. Lindsay, D. T. Farr and others, being a part of the estate of the Hon. T. N. Dawkins, deceased. This place has a sufficiency of

A GOOD BARGAIN OFFERED. AS I intend moving to the West, I will sell one hundred and seventeen acres of lands, about three miles from Union C. H., bounded by lands of Jessie Robinson, Shadrack Jolly, Farr, and Johnson and Lettie Becknell.

BEEF! BEEF!! I WILL open on the 15th inst., at the old Stand of Dunn & Burnsides, a Market of fresh Meats, where all who call can and will be accommodated with the best of the market affords, low for cash, and cash only.

STATE ARMS! STATE ARMS! ALL persons in Union County having in their possession any arms or accoutrements belonging to the State are required to deliver them to the undersigned, in accordance with General Order No. 1, issued by E. W. Moise, Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of South Carolina.

COTTON GINS! STEAM ENGINES. PLOWS AND AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. PERSONS wishing any of the above will do well giving us a call before purchasing elsewhere.

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY. GIBBES & GO

The State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF UNION, In the Court of Probate.

WHEREAS, Charles Holt, as Clerk of Court of Common Pleas, hath applied to me for Letters of Administration on the Estate of JOSHUA P. DAWKINS, late of Union County, deceased.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me at a Court of Probate for the said County, to be held at Union Court House on the seventh day of September 1877, at 10 o'clock A. M., to show cause, if any, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Court, this seventh day of August A. D. 1877, and in the one hundred and second year of American Independence.

New Crop Turnip Seed. A FULL supply of all kinds of Turnip seed, from the Buist's celebrated seed establishment, just received by A. IRWIN & Co.

Sheriff's Sales. BY virtue of Sundry Executions to me directed, I will sell, before Union Court House door, on the first Monday in September next, within the legal hours of Sheriff's sales, the following property, to wit:

All the interest that John C. Tinsley has in the town lot located in the town of Union whereon Adeline Tinsley now lives, belonging to the Estate of John Tinsley, containing seven acres, more or less, bounded on the South by Main street, West by Rev. B. G. Clifford, North by William Moore and East by N. B. Farr.

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Charlotte Sumner vs. William Lawson. BY virtue of an order from the Hon. Joseph B. Gist, Probate Judge of Union County, I will sell before Union Court House door, on the first Monday in September next, within the legal hours of Sheriff's sales, the following property to wit:

THE State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF UNION, In the Court of Probate.

By JOSEPH F. GIST, Judge of Probate. To William F. Barnett and Elizabeth Barnett his wife, Micajah Sparks, Jesse Bobo and Corrie Bobo, greeting:

YOU are required to appear at the Court of Probate, to be held at Union for Union County, at the expiration of twenty days from the service hereof (day of service excluded) to show cause, if any you can, why the Real Estate of WILLIAM J. SPARKS, late of said County, deceased, situated in said County, and particularly described in the petition of Robert F. Ray and Charlotte Ray his wife, E. Bearden and Amanda Bearden his wife, Jonathan Lee and Elizabeth Lee his wife, Wm. B. Bailey and Sarah Bailey his wife, Levi Sparks, Carpenter Sparks, Jesse Lawson and Mary Lawson his wife, William Lawson and Milly Lawson his wife and Susan Bobo filed, in this Court asking that partition of said premises be made between you and them as the heirs at law of the said William J. Sparks deceased, should not be partitioned and divided between said parties according to their respective rights therein; or if a partition can not be had without material injury to those rights, then for a sale of said premises, according to their rights as aforesaid.

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By JOSEPH F. GIST, Judge of Probate. To Robert J. Hughes, Mary Hughes, Sarah Brown, Mary A. Brown and Clough Glenn, greeting:

YOU are hereby required to appear at the Court of Probate, to be held at Union for Union County, on the thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1877, to show cause, if any you can, why the Real Estate of ROBERT F. GLENN, deceased, situate in said County, (not specifically disposed of in his will), bounded by lands of W. A. Sims, Mrs. Jane Glenn, W. R. Briggs, estate of Mrs. Jane Glenn, the Goddard Place, containing five hundred acres, more or less, should not be partitioned or sold for division, allotting to the petitioner, William J. T. Glenn, one-sixth part hereof, and the remaining five-sixths in equal portions to the said Robert J. Hughes, Mary Hughes, Sarah Brown, Mary A. Brown, and Clough Glenn; deducting from share of W. J. T. Glenn, the amount charged thereon by the will of said Robert F. Glenn deceased, and paying the same to the children of the late Glendon A. Glenn.

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New Style Prints, &c. PRINTS, Plain Osmaburgs, Domestic Ginghams, Cottonades, Cuban Tweeds. All of which are for sale cheap for Cash.

FIRE! FIRE!! FIRE!!! DRUG STORE. OUR Friends and Patrons are informed that we have opened our Drug Store in the Building in rear of Spears & Colton, formerly occupied as the Post Office.

FEMALE ACADEMY. UNION C. H., S. C. FALL TERM OPENS SEPTEMBER 3, 1877. CHARGES FOR TWENTY WEEKS.

B. F. RAWLS & CO. Drugs and Medicines. A FULL supply at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

Patent Medicines. BRADFIELD'S Female Regulator, Simmons' Hepatic Compound, Sarsaparilla and Yellow Dock, at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

Pure Medicinal Wines. AND Liquors, for sale at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

French Candies. A FRESH supply of Fancy Candies, at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

Cod Liver Oil. AND Lime, for sale at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

Paints and Oils. PAINT Brushes, for sale at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

Seed Wheat. FOR sale at B. F. RAWLS & CO'S.

COTTON GINS! THE Subscribers have been appointed Agents for the Winship Cotton Gin, and are prepared to supply those Gins, also

Circular Saw Mills, At very reduced Prices. Persons wishing to purchase any of the above will please call at our store, or send us for Circulars and price list.

Wheat and Corn Grinding. Thomson Mills. THE subscriber, having charge of the time-honored and popular Thomson Mills, which have lately been repaired by a competent Millwright who has put things in "apple pie" order.

Land! Land!! Land!!! THE Lands of JOSHUA P. DAWKINS, deceased, amounting to about two thousand acres situate in Union County, North of Pacolet River, are offered for sale in lots, and on terms to suit purchasers.

THE DAVIS VERTICAL FEED SHUTTLE Sewing Machine. WHICH, FOR ELEGANCE OF FINISH, STRENGTH, DURABILITY, SIMPLICITY, Ease of operation and Range of Work, has no equal, is now offered for sale at greatly REDUCED PRICES—from \$30 up, according to style of Machine.

THE "Vertical Feed" is a peculiarity which pertains to the DAVIS only.

Preserve Your Fruit. WE have just received a stock of the latest improved Fruit Jars, for putting up fresh Fruit, and would advise all our friends to use them, as it is a much cheaper and better process than the old style of preserving.

RICE, McLURE & CO., Dry Goods, &c., ARE now receiving their supplies of SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, to which they invite the attention of purchasers.

PRINTS. BEST STANDARD PRINTS, 84c. CASH.

DRESS GOODS. Embracing a variety of FABRIC, STYLE and QUALITY, from 12c. per yard, and upwards.

MUSLINS. WHITE AND COLORED MUSLINS, AND PIQUES, VERY CHEAP.

HOSIERY, GLOVES & C. Hosiery, Gloves, Corsets, Silk and Lace Ties, Ladies' 2-Button Kid Gloves, at \$1 per Pair.

HAMBURGH EDGINGS, from 5 to 75c. per yard.

LINENS. TABLE LINEN, NAPKINS, D'OYLIES, MARSEILLES QUILTS, &c.

Cottonades, Linen Drills, Cassimeres, &c.

HATS. THE LATEST STYLES, AND IN GREAT VARIETY.

BOOTS AND SHOES, We sell both LADIES' and GENT'S SHOES, which we warrant.

READY-MADE CLOTHING, in great variety of Style and Prices.

EVERYBODY are invited to call and examine our Stock before purchasing elsewhere, as we are satisfied we can please you, both in Goods and prices. Call early and secure bargains.

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED BY FOSTER & WILKINS, AT Prices to Suit the Times.

WE have just opened a complete assortment of Goods, such as we usually keep, consisting of FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS, for Ladies' and Gentlemen's wear.

BOOTS AND SHOES, of the best quality. Ready-Made Clothing, Gent's and Ladies' Hats, HARDWARE, Wooden-Ware, &c., &c.

All of which have been carefully selected, and purchased upon the most favorable terms, and at the Lowest Prices, and we propose to meet any fair competition with CASH BUYERS.

Give us a call and examine our Goods and test our prices before buying elsewhere. FOSTER & WILKINS.

GEE & HUMPHRIES. New Goods Arriving. OUR new Stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Notions, &c., is coming in rapidly. Call daily and examine. "Every day brings something new" to our store.

Star Shirts and Collars. BEST grades of Star Shirts and Collars. Will take special orders, with measures, for the same. GEE & HUMPHRIES.

Best Line of Notions. WE have ever handled, at GEE & HUMPHRIES.

Hosiery and Gloves. FROM the commonest Lisle Thread to the best Silk. Prices to suit the people. GEE & HUMPHRIES.

Ready-made Clothing. PRICES FOR HARD TIMES. GEE & HUMPHRIES.

Hats, Hats. A FINE Stock of Hats, from the commonest Straw to the best hand-made Fur. Styles and prices up with the day. GEE & HUMPHRIES.

Fancy Cassimeres. A FRESH supply of Fancy Cassimeres, from the celebrated Charlottesville Woolen Mills. GEE & HUMPHRIES.