

LOCAL ITEMS.

The steamer Cumberland brought up a large excursion from Savannah Monday. Capt. Cox shot a large alligator on Bay Point beach last Saturday. The Port Royal Railroad Company have made a new schedule of rates for fare to New York and other points, which will be found in to-day's paper. The citizens of Brunson are making preparations to have a grand time on the fourth of July, and an immense crowd is expected to be present. The Dauntless base ball club defeated the Olympics, on Monday last on their own ground at Port Royal, by a score of 33 to 6. J. E. Altman, who was attacked in his own house, and severely wounded by some rowdies is out again. The monument to be placed over the grave of the late S. C. Millet arrived by the last steamer and will be put in position in a few days. The Plymouth and Huron have been ordered, by telegraph, to this place to convey the monitors North. The Plymouth is the only naval vessel we have on the Mexican coast at present, and her departure will leave American interests, in that disturbed country, in jeopardy. Beaufort county is exempted from the operation of the fence law, and an effort was made to exempt her from the law forbidding the purchase of cotton at night. We have not heard that any proposition has been made to exempt us from paying taxes which should not be forgotten. The county commissioners have been in session this week but there was not much business before them. The bond of Mr. Sims as auditor was submitted and approved with W. Wilson and John Conant as bondsmen. Dr. Wilder reported collections on account of licences amounting to \$450. The lots in Port Royal belonging to the estate of F. Schultz were sold by the Sheriff for \$2,000 to Joe Pape. The land advertised in the case of Jas. S. Glover vs. R. G. Holmes was bought by Mr. Holmes. The fine colt raffled on Monday evening was won by Mr. Clancy. 43 was the lucky number but as there were two throws of that size they were thrown off and 20 won the horse. A watering cart has been put on Bay street by the town authorities, and makes quite a difference in the quantity of dust one has to inhale while he is out trying to collect bills against delinquents, but we cannot see that it makes any difference in the collections. J. N. Slaughter, the crooked tobacco peddler, who was captured by Mr. Croft has been sentenced to eleven months imprisonment and a fine of \$500. The following is an extract from a letter from a colored youth now in Boston to his flame in Beaufort: "I felt as though I must call your attention to a favor subject which preclaim to your observation my information regarding your sympathy in this can you or will you judge your mind and see if you are as agreed to make me a wife for me and write soon as possible and if you except this letter keep it and if not burnt." She did not "burnt it." There is an ordinance that requires a quarterly report from the town treasurer, and an agreement to print it, but for the past three quarters no report has been published and the taxpayers have the satisfaction of knowing that a tax amounting to about \$6,000 and a license tax of about \$3,000 has been collected and spent and the treasury is out of funds and the town in debt. The Women's Temperance Union held a meeting at the residence of Capt. Christensen Sunday evening, when several of our moderate drinkers added their names to the list of teetotalers, some for sixty days others for six months or a year. The sloops-of-war Ossipee and Essex and monitors Ajax and Lehigh sailed Saturday for Norfolk. The pilots expected to make something out of this departure, but our harbor being so easy of access the vessels sailed without their services, which is well for the government but not relished by the pilots. Colonel Thomas Taylor, Inspector of Phosphate, warns all persons mining phosphate rock from the navigable waters of the State, without the proper authority, to desist from their unlawful work and to pay the royalty upon all rock they may have already mined and sold; otherwise they will be visited with the penalties of the law. During the past few days a Charleston schooner has been anchored in front of our town engaged in picking phosphate rock. The men use common oyster tongs and work at low tide only, and have, so far, secured almost a load. In Parrot creek there are a large number of these boats at work and they are said to make money in carrying the rock to Charleston for sale. We hope soon to see a large part of our idle population engaged in this new enterprise and that Beaufort will offer inducements to them to sell the rock here. An Augusta Excursion. On Friday last the monotony of Port Royal was disturbed by the arrival of a large party of young ladies and gentlemen from Augusta on an excursion to the fleet. After seeing all the sights in the New City they took the Pilot Boy, which had been chartered for the occasion, and enjoyed a pleasant sail to Bay Point

ping on their return at some of the monitors to see the wonderful machinery and big guns. The next point of interest was the noble old Ne Hampshire where the excursionists were received by Commodore Hughes and his officers very cordially and shown over the ship to their great delight. The band soon struck up one of Strauss's favorite airs, and a rush was made for the deck and dancing began and was kept up until after nine o'clock, a very unusual hour for such festivities on a man-of-war. After bidding the ship and its officers good-bye the party returned to the Mansion House in Port Royal when dancing was resumed and kept up, with an intermission of two hours, from 3 to 5 a. m., until the train left next day, all agreeing that the trip was a perfect success and there never was such a noble captain as the Commodore, nor a more accommodating and genial host than Burr of the Mansion House. In the town council, on Friday evening the session was devoted to a discussion of the growing evils of rum-drinking and gambling in our town. The ladies have petitioned council to refuse to grant any more licences, and but for the empty treasury the cause would receive more encouragement. Beaufort depends on liquor licences for a large part of her revenue and in her present impoverished condition, and town employees clamoring for their pay, the temperance advocates will get a cold shoulder. Council will meet next Wednesday evening when the subject will be brought up again, and an ordinance on the subject be voted upon. Tony Green, one of our very efficient policemen, thought he had a good thing Saturday night when he released a man he had arrested on the payment of three dollars, which he had no right to take. Tony pocketed the money but the Intendant found him out and suspended him from duty, and he will now grace the street corners as a first-class bummer, unless council reinstates him in an office which is better off vacant than filled by such as he. The General Sessions. When court convened on Monday last there was a notable absence of people from the country who are generally present in large numbers, but the supply of idle loungers from about town was fully up to the average. The principal reason for the non-appearance of the country people is our empty treasury and the certainty that they would receive no pay either as jurors or witnesses, and as most of them are obliged to come by rail they would be throwing good money after bad, or rather none at all. There were a number of absent jurors but their places were filled by a raid on our merchants and others, among the number being ex-Lieut. Gov. Gleaves, and on Tuesday court was ready for business. The Grand Jury found the following true bills: R. N. Wright, assault and battery; Annie Solomons, burglary; Jack Casey, assault and battery; Ben Scott and Cuffee Black, burglary; Wm. Weston, grand larceny; N. W. Ellis and J. D. Johnson, murder; Byas Middleton and others, grand larceny; W. F. Jackson, murder; John Chisolm, burglary; Ben Taylor, rescuing a prisoner; 24 men and women, for participation in the Stafford's X Roads riot, murder; Dick Young and others, assault with intent to kill. The first case called was that of pilot Casey for shooting pilot O'Brien. The prisoner through his counsel, T. H. Wheeler Esqr., offered a plea of guilty of assault and battery but the solicitor refused to accept the plea and the case was tried and a verdict returned of assault and battery. Judge Wiggin sentenced Casey to imprisonment for 30 days or a fine of \$50. Annie Solomons was tried next for stealing bacon from the smoke house of Mr. Johnson and acquitted. Mr. Wheeler appearing for the defense. R. N. Wright was tried and acquitted on the charge of resisting and assaulting an officer, Mr. W. J. Verdier represented the prisoner. Cuffee Black and Ben Scott were arraigned charged with robbing the store of Mr. Kressel, but the indictment was quashed as the value of the goods was less than \$20. Wm. Weston was tried for killing a cow last December and acquitted. The Stafford X Roads case was called and a jury empaneled this morning. The committee on Fire Department of the Town Council have recommended the purchase of a lot and the erection of an engine house thereon for the Phoenix Engine Company which was agreed to by Council. The purchase of a lot or the erection of a house should be delayed until a hose reel is supplied to the Phoenix so that it can do efficient fire duty, instead of spending hundreds of dollars to house a machine that is almost worthless without out hose and reel. A member from Beaufort arose in his seat in the House last week and complained that whenever he attempted to say anything on the floor of the House, a member from Kershaw ordered him to "Shut he wout." Such language and conduct he was "constitushunally" opposed to, and he appealed to the Speaker to protect him against the discourteous language of the member. Speaker Wallace ordered the "gentleman" from Kershaw to do so no more. Both parties are colored Republicans. At Barnwell Court the jury found Darling Nevil, charged with murder, guilty, but recommended him to mercy. Three of the jury swear that they never were convinced of his guilt. A motion for a new trial was refused, and an appeal, in the case of David Weemers, charged with murder, the verdict was not guilty.

The indebtedness of Savannah amounts to over four millions of dollars and she finds herself unable to pay the interest amounting to \$285,000. The city council has under advisement a plan for scaling the debt or rather repudiating a part of it as the only means of escape. In Virginia, under the amended constitution, a poll tax is levied, the avails of which go to the support of the schools. No man can vote unless he exhibits at the polls a tax receipt that such tax, for the previous year, has been paid. The design of this tax is to make all classes pay something toward the support of the schools. All enjoyed the benefit of the schools while a majority paid no taxes whatever, and it is urged that if they valued the schools and the privileges of voting they would be willing to pay the head tax, which is small enough to be in the reach of all. The News and Courier prints the following as the result of an extended inquiry concerning the crop prospects of this State: In the eastern counties, the best cotton district in the State, the stand is bad, what cotton is up looks badly and shows no improvement in growth. In the upper counties the cotton is similarly affected, and the want of rain is seriously felt. In the middle counties a week ago there was no stand of cotton on the river lands, and little cotton was up. On uplands the stand is about the same as in the section previously mentioned. The lower counties make no better reports. Dryness of weather has been favorable for work, and has kept the cotton out of the grass. With everything favorable from this time out, and with a late frost, a fair crop of cotton may still be made, but under no circumstances can a full crop be expected. The Legislature in 1859 was in session three weeks, passed sixty acts, at a cost of \$20,000. Both sessions of the present General Assembly have already occupied two weeks, only thirty acts have been passed, and the cost is about \$120,000. Artillery experiments were lately resumed at Shoeburyness, near London, with the 80 ton cannon. It was loaded with a charge of 425 pounds; the projectile, a Palliser ball, weighed 1,700 pounds, and quitted the mouth of the gun at the rate of 1,600 feet in a second. The target was at a distance of 120 yards, and was composed of a sheet of iron two feet thick, traversed by oaken beams of fifteen inches. It cost about \$30,000. The projectile buried itself seven or eight inches in the iron, which was not thought satisfactory, but owing to the heavy expense of each shot a second trial was not made. Secretary Ervarts has telegraphed through the Departments of the Treasury and Justice to Key West, Florida, making careful inquiry touching the reported outrage by a Spanish man-of-war on the American whaling schooner Ellen Ripshap of Providence. Mr. Ervarts is all so instituting inquiries in regard to the bustling expedition, on which he proposes to shut down with a strong hand. A man by the name of McCrary was shot and killed one day last week by parties unknown in Pickets county, the ball passing entirely through the body from side to side. He was quietly at work in his field at the time, no one being present but his wife, who says she could not see the party who fired the fatal shot. Charles Eberle, for many years a resident of Beaufort, but of late of Port Royal died in that city Saturday night last from an abscess in his throat. This is the fourth term of court without any money for witnesses and jurors. Court tickets are unobtainable although we hear of one man who is willing to buy a few at ten cents on the dollar. Marine Intelligence. CLEARED FROM ST. HELENA SOUND. May 28th Br. bark Albert T. Young, Davis master for United Kingdom with 447 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines. —Swedish bark Iris, Mallin master for U. K. with 569 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines. —Norwegian bark Alpha, Maroni master for U. K. with 678 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines. —Russian bark Ajan, Strandberg master for U. K. with 769 tons of phosphate rock from Oak Point mines. —29th, Swedish bark Commaisa, Taylor master for U. K. with 671 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines. ENTERED. May 29th, Swedish bark Prima, Krook master 51 days from London in ballast to Campbell, Wylie & Co. May 30th, Norwegian bark Messel, Eyde master 46 days from Malmo, Sweden in ballast to Campbell, Wylie & Co. June 1st, Norwegian bark Lorenzo, Kittleson master 53 days from London in ballast to Campbell, Wylie & Co. PORT ROYAL RAILROAD. CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THROUGH TICKET FORMS, A LIMITED TICKET having been introduced to prominent points, via the PORT ROYAL RAILROAD. Below will be found the prices of first-class tickets, LIMITED and NON-LIMITED, and the time for which they remain in effect: To Limited. Days good for. Unlimited. New York, all rail, \$29.00. 4 37.40. New York, O. D. S. Co., 24.00. 5 37.40. Philadelphia, all rail, 27.00. 4 34.00. Baltimore, " " 25.00. 4 31.50. Washington, " " 24.25. 4 28.50. Richmond, " " 22.50. 3 24.80. Petersburg, " " 22.50. 3 25.25. Portsmouth, " " 23.50. 3 26.25. Lynchburg, " " 21.50. 3 23.00. New Orleans, " " " 25.25. Pensacola, " " " 28.25. NOTICE. SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 HILTON HEAD SO. CA. JUNE 8th 1877. Notice is hereby given that a regular School meeting will be held at Mitchellville School House on the 23rd day of June at 12 o'clock M. Hoping that all persons will turn up prompt. G. P. GARDNER.

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