

CATEECHEE LETTER.

"B" Stands for Compulsory Education.

HIS POINTS WELL TAKEN.

General News Notes About People and Things.

Writing without a subject is like a preacher trying to preach without a text, it is hard work and then nothing said at last. However, we have a kind of "banking" for newspaper work and we can't help "skinning our ignorance" every now and then.

Speaking of ignorance brings to our mind something of great importance. How many parents are dwarfing the usefulness of their children by neglecting to educate them, and by so doing are causing the jails to be filled with criminals and hell with sinners? Parents, do you know or do you care anything about the responsibility that rests upon you in regard as to how you raise your children? We are taught that the parents' conduct will put the children's teeth on edge, and that anything of a disreputable nature will visit to the fourth and fifth generation. Then how important it is for parents to be very discreet as to how and in what manner they raise their children. At that great day there will be many a poor soul that will have to go down to a devil's hell, and the parents to a certain extent will be accountable for it. We will admit that there are a few exceptions to this. We have known of a few cases of bad boys and men, too, where they had been pretty well educated and raised up by religious parents, but in most cases it is just the reverse.

Every child born of a sound cognition has been given a talent, and except that child is given an opportunity to develop that talent, how is it ever to make anything?

Remember the man that was afraid and went and hid his talent; what did the Lord say to him?

The President of the United States was once without an education, but the Lord had given him a talent. Now if that talent had never been cultivated, had he never been educated, he would no doubt have been working today for ten dollars a month, whereas he is getting something over four thousand dollars a month. What caused it? Education.

If children are not educated how are they to read and keep posted, to know when they are violating the laws of the land? How many promulgators of the Gospel are abroad in the land? If we are not so we can read for ourselves how are we to know when the truth is preached to us? Well then, what is to be done when a man won't send his children to school, but keep them in a cotton mill and work them nearly to death while he loaf and goes to the dispensary every pay day and spends the most of what they make. By so doing he is not only dwarfing the talent of that child and making a slave of it the rest

of its days, but he is shortening its life. Perhaps this father was raised up in ignorance, hence he don't know anything about the importance of an education. The casual pleasures of this earth are all he is seeking. With this starting us in the face every day of our lives doesn't it behoove us to do something? What is the remedy? A compulsory education law.

Some one will say that won't do. Show us and convince us where it won't do and we will acknowledge.

They say we can't do without our children to send them to school. Of course the above class couldn't and still have the same good time, but that is what we want to break up, that good time of fathers drinking and loafing off of the labor of their poor little children when

they themselves are stout and able to work.

We will admit that there are few classes of widow women and maybe sickly fathers who have to live off the labor of their children, for such we say make provisions. Every child of school age who possibly can, should go to school at least four months in the year. If it only learns to read print it is far better than not knowing a from b.

How can a brainy set of legislature members all fail to see the importance of such a law is something we can't understand. Why, if we were one of that honorable body and such a bill was to come up, we would make the leaves on the trees rattle. We would never vote against such a law as long as we had our right mind.

While the preachers are enlightening the people on the dispensary question let them also touch upon education. Much, much easier would it be for a preacher to preach to an enlightened class of people, people that have read the bible, than to those who don't know whether he is preaching from an almanac or a hymn book.

Every man has his own opinion, but we stand, first, last and all the time, for a compulsory educational law.

Well, our brightest hopes have been blighted for a short time at least. Like a gosling we had done begun to stick our bill through the cracks of the garden trying to reach the lettuce, but old father time, with his gray locks, came along a few nights ago, and as his bill was straight up and down he got our lettuce. We are now figuring on the black berry crop, but we don't want him to know it. If he don't get them we are o. k. They say flour is plum out of sight, but so long as corn is 75c. a bushel we can make black berry dumplings that look just like the heel on a No. 12 brogan shoe, and like white leather, one piece is enough.

Wheat looks very well in place, and places it is not so good. Cotton has begun to come up,



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AT FAIR TIME

There are always attractions in the Studebaker pavilion to excite special comment. The Vehicles and Harness appeal to the people because they serve best and most exactly meet their wants. When they get ready

Studebaker Vehicles

are the kind most of them buy for these same reasons. After the fair, and when there's no fair, you hear just as much and as favorable comment on Studebakers. It follows them to the end, and that's a time away off.

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When we sell a Vehicle or a set of the Immortal style of Studebaker harness, we are sure of a pleased customer. They give the "satisfaction that don't come off." Let us try it in your case. We guarantee to show up the design that will strike your fancy. Will you take a look in?

Heath-Bruce-Morrow Co., Pickens, S. C.

P. S. Studebaker name plate on a Vehicle is the best indication that you have got true value and a guarantee.

We appreciate your business and will give you value received for every dollar you spend with us.

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THE COUNTRY IS RINGING WITH THE PRAISES OF THE "Southland Belle Shoes" FAMOUS BECAUSE MERITORIOUS. THE BEST IN AMERICA FOR \$1.50 TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE.

Money saved is money made. \$2.50 BUYS A PAIR OF FAMOUS

Autograph SHOES

THE EQUAL OF ANY \$3.00 SHOE ON THE MARKET TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE

AFTER AN EXCITING RACE CONTEST ENDS.

Central's Rush at the Last Did the Work, and She, by Hard Work, Wins all Prizes in a close Finish.

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH WINS BY MARGIN OF 651.

Miss Ballentine Wins the Scholarship by Close Margin--Miss Lois Newton a Close Second--The Machine Goes to Miss Ballentine for List of 117 Paid Subscribers.

FULL ACCOUNT WILL BE GIVEN NEXT WEEK WITH PICTURES OF THE LEADERS

The contest closed last Saturday night, April 29, at 12 o'clock, and the finish was not only a pretty one but a satisfactory one to the Sentinel-Journal management, and we sincerely hope, to all concerned.

The count out was set for Monday, May 1st, but proved a much larger job than expected, taking the better part of two days, and the result was not known until the forms were being made up for the press. The result as given in by the committee is as follows:

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| Central Baptist | 7525 |
| Pickens Methodist | 6875 |
| For the Scholarship-- | |
| Miss Leila Ballentine | 6816 |
| Miss Lois Newton | 6715 |
| Miss Kate Hester | 3546 |
| Miss Eva Clayton | 3426 |

Under the terms of the contest, Miss Ballentine also captures the sewing machine, sending us the amount of \$117.00 for subscribers. This is grand work for a country newspaper.

Next week we will publish the portraits of these most popular young ladies with a full account of the prettiest and most successful contests ever conducted by a country weekly in the South.

Are You Using ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE?
Shake into your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease a powder. It cures Corns, Bunions, Painful Smarting, Aching, and swollen feet. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c.

One of the greatest blessings a modest man can wish for is a good, reliable set of bowels. If you are not the happy possessor of such an outfit you can greatly improve the efficiency of those you have by the judicious use of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are pleasant to take and agreeable in effect. For sale by Pickens Drug Co., Earl's Drug Store.

Terrific Race With Death.
"Death was fast approaching," writes Ralph E. Forrester, of Tampa, Fla., "as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and a good deal of medicine, but got no benefit, until I began to use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. In three days I felt like a new man, and a day later I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed at Pickens Drug Co.; price 50c.

Hale Happenings.

Seeties are scarce and news is scarcer, as I never see anything from this section.

The people all seem to be well and at work, preparing to make another crop.

The cold spell last week did serious damage to the early vegetables, and killed our fruit, and I think the berries are all killed too. I guess it will be hard living, but hope we will live through.

We are glad to have Mrs. Isaac Grayfey and children back at home. Mr. Earle Cantrel, one of our most popular young men, has gone to the Rocky Mountains. Earle is a jolly good fellow, and we wish him great fortune.

I sure did enjoy the Abner Daniel story, and if you can give us another as good, start it at once please.

I was amused at what Mr. B. said about the sneaky daddies; think he made a very good comparison. I am glad to say my father is not a sneaky one.

Rev. B. F. Murphree's many friends at Holly Springs were glad to have him with them on the third Sunday and hear him preach an interesting sermon.

D. Lynch, grand son of Mr. W. D. Edens, is the champion little huntsman of this section. He killed two squirrels one day last week in less than an hour.

Ha! Ha! Ann Freezer must be the handsomest person in the county, from the description given in last week's paper.

Misses Texie Porter and Cora Cantrell visited relatives in Pickens Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. W. R. Porter of Greenville, visited the home of Mr. D. W. Cantrel last Saturday.

When dark clouds overshadow our pathway,
And not one ray of light to brighten the day;
When all around us looks dark and gloomy,
Then let us in the spirit pray,
To him who comforteth the weary
At a bid our sorrows all cease;
He, the troubled aching heart he will over give peace, sweet peace.

Rebecca,

Notice to Merchants.

Section 610 of the Criminal Code of this State is as follows:

"No person or corporation within the limits of this State shall sell or offer for sale any pistol, rifle cartridges or pistol cartridge less than 45 calibre, or metal knuckles, without first obtaining a license from the county in which such person or corporation is doing business so to do. The county board of commissioners of the several counties of the State are authorized to issue licenses in their respective counties for the sale of pistols and pistol and rifle cartridges of less than 45 calibre, and metal knuckles, upon the payment to the County Treasurer by the person or corporation so applying for said license of the sum of twenty-five dollars annually; and any person who shall sell or offer for sale any pistol, or pistol or rifle cartridge of less than 45 calibre, or metal knuckles, without having obtained the license provided for in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court."

All persons or corporations in Pickens county now selling or having for sale any pistol, pistol or rifle cartridge, less than 45 calibre, or metal knuckles, are notified to procure a license on or before the 16th day of May, 1905.

The magistrates of the county are instructed to inspect all places after May 16th and enforce the provisions of the above section against any and all persons or corporations not having a license.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners.

C. E. Rolinson, Clerk.

Whooping Cough.
"In the spring of 1901 my children all had whooping cough," says Mrs. D. W. Capps, of Gapps, Ala. "I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with the most satisfactory results. I have ever seen for whooping cough." This remedy keeps the cough loose, lessens the severity and frequency of the coughing spells and averts and tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by Pickens Drug Co., Earl's Drug Store.