

THE DARLINGTON NEWS.

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With this issue begins Volume XII of the News. To us it is but the weekly routine of work, here an editorial scrap, there a local, a clipping, correcting proof sheets, or in stress of work trying to keep from making pi. This, the mere mechanical work goes on, from week to week, from day to day and often into the night. But in the history of the News it is the beginning of a new volume with the new year, and like individuals it should make promises to do better, amend evil ways, correct mistakes and perform that indefinable action known as "wearing off." But that would imply dereliction in the past and we will let the patrons tell in what respect it needs this action. The News expect some one to try and continue in its course of political, news, and mechanical life. It does not expect to double its size, come out twice a week, have the largest circulation or rival the New York Herald, reform the country, rule the legislature or monopolize the advertising business. What it intends to do is to give the people as good a paper as it has done in the past, to make its first object the welfare of Darlington County and the State, to charge \$2 a year for subscription and paying rates for advertising, to issue a fresh copy to each subscriber every Thursday morning, to pay its honest debts and to collect what is owing to it, to give a lot of free advertising to churches, Sunday-schools, church fairs, old maids and bachelors who want to get married, and to publish weddings free of charge. It intends to uphold the Democratic party in opposition to the Republican or any other party, and if public opinion do not do right, to say so. With this intent the News hopes to be a welcome visitor to each and every household in the county and to be able to do whatever of good it can. To its patrons, the editor, the compositor, the devil, and its correspondents, it offers its thanks for many kind words and substantial tokens of friendship and with the hope that its weekly visits may long be enjoyed by you it wishes you a happy and prosperous year.

On new year's day the Darlington Driving Association held its regular meeting on the Fair grounds. The purpose was to make it pleasant for spectators, horses and drivers. The number of visitors was only fair, much to the regret of the association, but of this number was a fair proportion of ladies, who added much to the day and enjoyed the quick time made as much as any. The track was in good condition, but being only a quarter of a mile with two of the turns short, and the nature of soil being sandy, the track is from 15 to 20 seconds slow to the mile. Three premiums were offered for horses, mule dash, \$100 for first, \$50 for second and \$25 for third, entrance fee \$5. Two premiums also for mules, \$10 for first, \$5 for second, entrance fee \$2.50. There were seven entries for horses and three for mules. At 11 o'clock time was called and Black Chief, owned by Capt. J. C. Blackwell of Darlington came into the ring. He made good time, beating his former record. Next came Bell O. owned by Mr. Campbell of Marion. Her time clearly indicated that she would stand a good chance for a place. Speculator owned by Dr. Kinloch of Marion, third on the track. Next entered Adelaide a black mare owned by Mr. Owen Daly of Columbia. She made good time. Maggie K. a daisy black mare owned by Mr. J. H. Morrow of Columbia elicited much applause and it was evident that it would take extra quick time to beat her record. Hartville, a county raised horse owned by Capt. Cannon next entered, followed by White Chief owned by Mr. C. V. Rivenbark of Darlington. No official time was given, the association being merely an organization for pleasure. The Judges announced Maggie K. first; Bell O. second, and Adelaide third. The order of the others was Black Chief, Speculator, White Chief and Hartville. Time being called for mules, Jack, Pee Dee and Leg were entered. Pee Dee taking first premium in 3.49, and Jack second in 3.58. This closed the driving for the day, and all things considered the first meeting can be called a success. Next year the association contemplates offering a more extensive list of premiums, and if possible have by that time a longer and better track.

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Wedding Bells.

Another year has borne its record to the eternal Throne, and now lies forever buried in the silent ocean of the past. Another scintillation from the spark of time has flashed across the now silent path of the past twelve months, and is now extinguished forever. Another shaft shot from the bow of time has gone rushing on towards the target of eternity, slaying in its onward flight, friends near and dear, and leaving its mark on the brow of young and old. The merry Christmas bells have ceased their chiming, and the Christmas of 1885 will soon be forgotten. But the pleasant recollections which were engendered by some of the happy occasions which we enjoyed during this holiday season will never be forgotten. One of the occasions referred to was enjoyed by several including the writer, at the residence of Mr. J. T. Bristow on Thursday evening 24th, ult. The occasion was the solemnization of the nuptials of Mr. Parrott W. B. II, and Miss Eva C. Bristow both of Darlington. The ceremony brief but beautiful was solemnly and bettlingly pronounced by Rev. G. B. Moore of the Baptist Church, after which the bride accompanied by the waiters together with the invited guests repaired to the dining hall in which was situated a long gaily decorated table burdened with an endless variety and profusion of sweet meats and delicacies baffling enumeration. Supper being over the party returned to the parlors where social conversation, games and music detained the happy crowd till "the wee small hours" warned us to disperse and seek rest for the dawning Christmas day. The happy couple have our best wishes for a life of happiness and prosperity. May the matrimonial bark so happily launched ride peacefully the waters of the great ocean of Human Life, till it enters the great harbor of Eternity and grates its keel against the sands of the shores of immortality, and there may angels chorus down the starry steps of heaven, the glorious welcome "well done"—is the wish of W.

Doraville High School.

Editor Darlington News: The Doraville High School is in charge of Rev. L. T. Carroll, who assisted by his sister, Miss Carroll. Both the teachers are first class, having had good training themselves and considerable experience in teaching. Mr. Carroll is a full graduate of Wake Forest College, N. C. and this community is fortunate in having such a man at the head of this school. The town of Doraville is a quiet little place, remarkable for its healthfulness and good water. The moral tone of the place is as good as any. Here is no whiskey shop to entice the unwary. Mr. Ballenger and family have recently moved here and they occupy the Baptist Church. We propose to take a number of boarders for the school, and already four young ladies are boarding with them that they might have the advantage of the school; one of these young ladies is from Marion county. Board is remarkably cheap, only \$8 per month. Mrs. Ballenger teaches instrumental music, and her charges are only 3 per month for lessons and the use of the instrument. The people of the town and surrounding country have recently put up a handsome Academy building, which is furnished in first class style. Parents who desire their girls and boys to have good school privileges and to be well cared for while they are pursuing their studies would do well to send them to Doraville. Dr. J. R. Carroll, a resident physician, would be on hand in case of sickness. The Black Creek Baptist church is only one and a half miles away, and it is proposed for the benefit of the scholars and the residents here to have services in the Academy Sunday afternoons and Sunday nights. If any one should desire further information let him address Rev. L. T. Carroll, Doraville.

A Good Boy Gone.

SOCIETY HILL, Jan. 4. Editor Darlington News: William Zimmerman, the little colored boy who was so awfully burned at Mr. Waddill's gin house, sank peacefully to rest about 3 P. M., on Saturday the 2nd inst. He endured his agonizing sufferings with patience and fortitude. As long as he could speak he expressed thankfulness for kindnesses shown him in such soft, sweet tones, as to touch still more deeply the hearts of the kind friends who ministered to him. William was known and appreciated as "a good boy." As a mark of sympathy and respect, his white friends had a neatly trimmed coffin prepared for him. "May he rest in peace." FRIEND.

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ble will be promoted from the place he formerly occupied on the public buildings and grounds committee to the chairmanship thereof. With in the past two or three days some one has expressed to the Speaker a doubt as to whether Mr. Dibble really cared for the first place on this committee, but this doubt has been set at rest by an interview between the Speaker and the friends of the South Carolina representative, and it is regarded as settled. In the past Mr. Dibble has proven himself a valuable member of this committee, and probably no one is better informed as to the requirements of the position.

Representative Hemphill will probably be assigned a place on the coinage committee, which will be one of the most important of the 49th Congress, on account of the silver agitation. It may not be out of place to state that all the opposition to silver coinage seems to have been crystallized at New York, and hence places on the coinage committee, of which Mr. Bland, of silver-dolar fame, will be chairman, will doubtless be at a premium.

It is probable that Representative Dargan will go to the river and harbor committee, thus ensuring Charleston harbor a watchful and energetic guardian and advocate for its improvement. The late Representative Evans was chairman of the Territories committee, but his successor, Mr. Perry, will hardly be given this post, and principally for the reason that he is a new member. This committee will have to deal with the Dakota problem, the Republican majority in the Senate being bent upon recognizing Dakota as a State, and being determined to pass a bill to this effect as early as possible.

Acts of the Legislature.

AN ACT to amend Section 307 of the General Statutes of this State, relating to the Sinking Fund Commission.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same: SECTION 1. That Section 307 of the General Statutes be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out the first proviso, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows: "Section 307. All lands now or hereafter upon the forfeited land record which have been offered for sale under Section 292, and of which have not been sold for a year or more, shall be treated as assets of the State in charge of the sinking fund commission, and by them sold at such time and after such advertisement, upon such terms as they may deem most advantageous to the State: Provided, that any time before such sale shall be actually made, the owners of any piece or parcel of such lands, or those claiming under or through such owners, or others having a legal and equitable interest therein, shall have the right to redeem said piece or parcel of the lands so forfeited, by paying in gold, silver, United States treasury notes or national bank notes the full amount of all accumulated taxes, costs and penalties due and unpaid thereon up to the date of such payment."

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Report of Town Council. Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Darlington, from April 15, 1885, to January 1, 1886. RECEIPTS. Amt rec'd from preced'g Council \$ 99.73 Amt rec'd from taxes 55.63 Amt rec'd from Market fees 276.38 Amt rec'd from fines 181.25 Amt rec'd from licenses, livery, sales, peddlers, etc 351.00 Amt rec'd from loans 398.83 Total \$1,588.27 EXPENDITURES. Amt paid on Streets 50.11 Amt paid on past indebtedness 68.00 Amt paid for new engine, repairs on hand engine, wind mill, etc., 254.55 Amt paid police 782.00 Miscellaneous Expenses 83.06 Total 1,298.32 Bal. cash in hand of Treas. \$ 129.95

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. COUNTY OF DARLINGTON. Personally appeared before me C. W. Hewitt, Secretary, and made oath that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Darlington, from the 15th day of April, 1885, to the 1st day of January, 1886. C. W. HEWITT, Sec'y. Sworn to before me, this the 1st day of January, A. D., 1886. L. VAUGHAN, Notary Public.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Darlington National Bank. At Darlington, in the State of South Carolina, at the close of business, Dec. 24, 1885. RESOURCES. Loans and discounts \$88,768.38 U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 20,000.00 Due from approved reserve agents 11,717.97 Due from other National Banks 4,605.30 Due from State Banks and Banks 895.00 Real estate, furniture and fixtures 1,698.25 Current expenses and taxes paid 235.65 Checks and other cash items 4,965.00 Bills of other Banks 13.01 Fractional paper currency, notes, etc. and postage 4,054.10 Legal tender notes 3,507.00 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation) 900.00 Total \$140,978.66

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00 Surplus fund 15,000.00 Undivided profits 6,963.78 National Bank notes outstanding 17,440.00 Dividends unpaid 61,272.22 Individual deposits subject to check 302.56 Due to State Banks and bankers 802.56 Notes and bills re-discounted 802.56 Total \$140,978.66

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Darlington. I, H. L. Charles, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. H. L. CHARLES, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Jan., 1886.

U. E. F. S. A. Notice. Correct—Attest: E. W. BOYD, W. C. COKER, J. G. McCALL. DON'T You want your Collar? If you do, call at the News Office for a sample of the ground and seed, and buy a seed mill from J. W. W. Agent for Darlington. Dec. 24, '85—1m

SHILOH'S COUGH CURE. Cure is sold by us on a guarantee. Consumption. For sale at J. A. Boyd's Drug Store.

Creditor's Notice. All persons holding claims against the Estate of A. B. Bennett, deceased, present them properly proved and indebted to the same, with a statement of the amount due, to PAUL J. WELSH, Dec. 22, '85—3t

GROUP, WHOOPING COUGHS immediately relieved. Cure. For sale at J. A. Boyd's Drug Store. Notice. The regular Annual Meeting of the Darlington County Board of Supervisors for the purpose of