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MATTERS IN AND AROUND THE TOWN OF DARLINGTON.

A Column of News, Tersely Told, of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Mr. J. E. Norment is in Atlanta.

Cotton brought 7.70 here yesterday.

Mr. E. B. Dargan is clerking for Coggeshall & Co.

A "merry go-round" is "holding forth" on Pearl Street.

Mr. A. E. Hane has lost a fine setter dog, for the return of which he offers a reward.

E. Keith Dargan, Esq., returned last week from a very pleasant visit to the Exposition.

The tobacco warehouses closed on Saturday last for the holidays, and will re-open on Jan. 6, 1896.

Dr. W. L. Galloway has purchased the residence of Mr. J. H. Sanders, on Spring Street, and has moved into it.

Messrs. Sligh & Rucker have decorated their store with holly for the coming festivities of the holiday season.

Mr. J. D. Baird advertises genuine "Bissell" sweepers for sale—a boon to house-keepers. Read his advertisement.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Burch, formerly of Darlington, but now of Roanoke, Va., are on a visit to their friends and relatives here.

There is a large quantity of cotton still in the county, judging from the number of bales that are brought in every day or two.

Mr. C. G. Williams has moved into the Wilcox cottage on Woods St., which was occupied until recently by the family of Mr. A. J. Broom.

Tickets are now on sale at the Armory for Gen. Gordon's lecture on the 27th. The price of them is 75 cents. Reserved seats may be secured without extra charge.

The Wesley Chapel Parsonage Society will have an oyster supper at the residence of Dr. R. B. R. C. Wallace on Tuesday evening, Dec. 24, to which the public is cordially invited.

Owing to the approaching holiday season, the Darlington Guards will have no more drills until the second Thursday in the new year (Jan. 9), when a full attendance is earnestly urged.

Mr. J. E. Norment, who has earned a big reputation as a "town boomer", had a glowing article in the *News and Courier* last week descriptive of the town of McColl, in Marlboro County.

While out hunting on Thursday last, Dr. W. J. Garner was wounded in the foot by the accidental discharge of his gun. The Doctor's many friends will be glad to know that his wound, though painful, is not dangerous, and that he will soon be out again.

The many friends of Mr. J. A. Moony, the accomplished head of Messrs. Sligh & Rucker's clothing department, will regret to learn that he will move to St. Louis the first of the coming year to accept a position there. His removal will be a loss to Darlington.

There is a dog show in town, giving daily exhibitions under a canvas which has been pitched on the vacant lot next to Boyd's Drug Store. The display of dogs in a "street parade" headed by a drum corps, has been the delight of the "small boy" for several days past.

Mrs. Pegues is working hard for the children's entertainment to be given at the Opera House at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Christmas Day, and that fact is of itself sufficient guarantee that it will be a brilliant success. Every child in town ought to attend. That they will all have a good time goes without saying.

Mr. Harry Foster passed a successful examination before the Supreme Court last week, and was admitted to the Bar. He has been studying law for the past eighteen months in the office of Messrs. Boyd & Brown. Mr. Foster will probably locate at his old home, Lancaster, for the practice of his profession, much to the regret of his Darlington friends.

Do You Want a Bargain?

Mr. Johnnie Reb Drake, an auctioneer who thoroughly understands his business, will offer for sale in front of the Court House on Saleday in January, at one o'clock P. M., twenty sewing machines, most of them "Whites." Some of these machines have been very little used, and are almost as good as new. Those seeking veritable bargains in sewing machines would do well to attend this sale and remain at it until its close, for such another opportunity will not be offered in Darlington for many a day.

We have nice lunch baskets, to suit all tastes. Blackwell Bros.

Children's rockers for Christmas presents at J. D. Baird's.

Called to Florence.

The Florence correspondent of the *News and Courier*, says: "The vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church, of this city, which extended a call to the Rev. Mr. Holmes, of Gaffney City, some time ago, has received a letter from Mr. Holmes accepting the rectorship of St. John's. He will be here at an early day and immediately take charge of this parish. Mr. Holmes comes to Florence with high recommendations, both as a minister and a man. He will be heartily welcomed by every Florentine to his new home in this city."

Christmas presents at J. D. Baird's

Apples, oranges, nuts, candies, raisins; Blackwell Bros.

A Christmas Entertainment.

A cantata entitled "A Jolly Christmas", will be given at the Opera House for the children of Darlington, Christmas afternoon at four o'clock. Santa Claus expects them all to meet him there, and invites all the grown folks to come and see the fun. At the close of the entertainment, a lovely Christmas tree will appear in view with a gift on it for every child in the audience under fourteen years of age. Admission, 15 cents for grown persons and 10 cents for children under fourteen years of age. The proceeds of the entertainment to be used in paying the expenses incident to it.

Clothing almost at your own price; Blackwell Bros.

The ladies' friend—a lap board for sewing work—makes a nice Christmas present. J. D. Baird sells them.

Tax-Payers, Attention!

The Comptroller General has issued the following circular letter to the County Treasurers of the State: "The custom of extending the time for the collection of taxes without penalty has prevailed to such an extent that the public expects the same for the taxes of 1894-1895. There will be no extension of the time for the payment of the taxes for the year 1894-1895, no sufficient reason existing for such extension." From this it will be seen that this long established precedent is at last to be done away with, and tax payers who do not pay up prior to Jan. 1, 1896, will get into trouble.

In buying your Christmas presents, get something useful in the furniture line from J. D. Baird.

Handsome line of heavy lap robes—big bargains; Blackwell Bros.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Atlantic Coast Line will sell round trip tickets from Charleston, S. C., to Atlanta and return December 19 to 25 inclusive, with limit good to return five days from date of sale at \$4.65. Correspondingly low rates will apply from Darlington and all other Atlantic Coast Line stations.

The Coast Line will also sell holiday excursion tickets between Charleston and Darlington for \$4.50 for the round trip. These tickets will be on sale Dec. 22-25 and from Dec. 29 to Jan. 1, both inclusive, and will be good to return on until Jan. 3, 1896. Tickets covering the same periods will be sold between any two stations on the Coast Line system at the rate of 4 cents a mile for the round trip.

Clothing, all sizes and prices; Blackwell Bros.

Death of Mr. Robert Dickinson.

Mr. Robert Dickinson died on Monday, after a few days' illness, at his home just beyond Swift Creek, near the Cashua Ferry road, where he had been living for the past forty years. The remains were interred in the Methodist graveyard on the following day. Mr. Dickinson moved here from North Carolina when quite a young man, and married a Miss Stanley, of that place, a sister of Capt. Mat. Stanley and Mr. Thomas Stanley, of Marion County. She died many years ago. Seven children survive Mr. Dickinson, one son, Mr. Robert M. Dickinson and six daughters. One of the latter, is the wife of Mr. W. M. McIntosh, of Hartsville. Mr. Dickinson was about sixty-seven years of age at the time of his death. His intimates were few, as he was of a retiring disposition, but he was a kind-hearted man, and was much beloved by those who knew him.

The best "patent" flour, half barrels, in wood; Blackwell Bros.

You cannot make a Christmas gift that will last longer or prove more useful than one of our rocking chairs. J. D. Baird.

Absorption of the C. S. & N.

The following extract is taken from the annual report of the State Railroad Commission, which is to be presented to the Legislature at its approaching session in January:

The Atlantic Coast Line has purchased during the year the Charleston, Sumter and Northern Railroad. Its mileage has been divided amongst its systems as follows: The Cheraw and Darlington Railroad, operating that portion of the road from Darlington northward, the Manchester and Augusta, operating from Darlington southward. The absorption of this railroad by competing roads, with the changes of schedules and connections, but the assurance has been made that one system can render a better and cheaper service than can be rendered by two systems occupying the same territory, and the commission will insist upon the Atlantic Coast Line giving the public along the line of the old Charleston, Sumter and Northern Railroad as efficient service as they have enjoyed heretofore.

When you are looking for a Christmas present, call round and see our china dinner sets—something nice and useful. J. D. Baird.

Boys' suits—the biggest bargains you have seen this winter; Blackwell Bros.

The Arena.

The *Arena* is fast becoming one of the most popular periodicals of the present day. Owing to the advanced thought that characterizes all of its articles, it fills a sphere that is unique, and that is touched by no other magazine in the world. It is to this fact, and to the vigorous tone of all that it publishes, that its great popularity and ever increasing circulation are due.

The last issue, among other interesting articles, contains a very suggestive paper by Professor George D. Herron on "The Sociality of the Religion of Jesus"; Senator J. T. Morgan, who is recognized as one of the ablest thinkers in our Senate on international questions and constitutional problems, discusses the "Silver Question"; Ex-Governor James M. Ashley, an old-time Republican, Congressman and Governor, writes on "The Impending Political Advance"; Professor Frank Parsons, of the Boston University School of Law, contributes a masterly paper on "Municipal Lighting." The prospectus for the year 1896 gives every promise that the *Arena* will maintain in the future the high standard of excellence it has achieved in the past.

At J. D. Baird's you will find pictures, easels, rugs, carpet sweepers, water sets, center tables, extension tables, rockers, china cabinets, book cases, hat-racks, office chairs and desks—all appropriate Christmas presents.

Pound prints for quilts, found only at Blackwell Bros.

Gen. Gordon's Great Lecture.

Tickets for Gen. Gordon's lecture on the 27th are now on sale at the Armory. The price of general admission will be 75 cents, and reserved seats may be secured without extra charge. This great lecture on "The Last Days of the Confederacy" became famous on the occasion of its first delivery in the Tabernacle of Brooklyn, New York, before an audience of five thousand people. It has charmed many thousands in all sections of the United States since that night. Its broad patriotism, its exquisite humor, its faithful portrayal of great leaders of both armies, its pathetic delineation of thrilling incidents, and the magical eloquence of the description of the closing scene at Appomattox, and of Grant and Lee as they stood together in the little brick house in that last act of the great drama, and the mingling together of the soldiers of the hitherto hostile armies, combine to make this lecture one of great historical and patriotic interest to the young and old of both sections. Vast audiences everywhere are alternately moved to tears and laughter and enthusiasm. By reference to the following extracts from the press one will obtain some conception of the electrical effect of this remarkable production.

"The debut of General John B. Gordon, United States Senator from Georgia, on the lecture platform, which took place at the Tabernacle last night, marks an epoch in the telling of the rising generation of the story of the war, or at least its close, and more than a glimpse of the scenes attending its later days. General Gordon is a speaker of magnetic eloquence, and the scene in the Tabernacle last night was more like that at a stirring political meeting than at a lecture. The audience was, at times, aroused to the highest pitch of enthusiasm. When the speaker of the evening was introduced every one in the great gathering arose, waved his or her handkerchief and cheered for a minute or two. His tributes to the characters of Generals Lee and Grant were applauded most warmly. When General Gordon finished, three ringing cheers were given for him."—New York Daily Tribune.

"General John B. Gordon arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, and was received with military honors. Hundreds were present to do honor to the great Georgian. In the evening the large auditorium of Turner's Hall was filled from doors to stage with an audience fully representative of the city's best thought and highest achievement, gathered to hear General Gordon's great lecture on 'The Last Days of the Confederacy.' The speaker was applauded at short intervals throughout his entire address, many of his points stirring the audience to most enthusiastic demonstration, lasting several minutes."—Houston (Texas) Daily Post, Oct. 24, 1894.

"Heroic bravery of Union soldiers, the undaunted courage of Southern men, the self-sacrifice of noble Southern women, the patriotism of Northern womanhood, interspersed with lively anecdotes and abundant incidents illustrating the grim humor of the camp and the deep pathos and the suffering on the field and the home as phases of the great civil war, were component factors of General John B. Gordon's story of 'The Last Days of the Confederacy' told to a large audience in Grand Music Hall last evening. He told the story in words as eloquent as the burning stars. The speaker was fair and unprejudiced in his judgment of men and events. Every sentence of his lecture was wreathed in an olive branch of peace. His every thought was sweetly tempered with magnanimity. Coupled with every eloquent tribute to the men who wore the blue."—The Republic, St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 13, 1894.

See our line of bed-spreads and comforts. Blackwell Bros.

The auction sales of the White sewing machines, some of them almost as good as new, will doubtless attract a large crowd on Saleday, as they are certain to go at bargain prices.

Homicide At Cartersville.

[News and Courier.]

FLORENCE, December 15.—Sheriff R. McLendon, of this county, received a telegram last night from Cartersville, a small station on the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, informing him of the killing of Stuart Lane by Gurley Jackson, at that place. Cartersville being in this county, Sheriff McLendon at once proceeded to that place to arrest Jackson. From a party who has just come from Cartersville I have obtained the following account of the homicide: Three Lane brothers, George, Holland and Stuart had been to Cartersville and were drinking considerably. They went into Gurley Jackson's restaurant and began picking a quarrel with Jackson. Jackson being sick with mumps, asked them not to worry him, as he felt very badly. At this time the three Lanes jumped on Jackson and began to beat him, knocking him down on the floor and beating him on the head and body. Jackson then drew his pistol and fired, the ball entering Stuart Lane's body near the groin, ranging upward and killing him instantly. The other two Lanes then dragged Gurley out of the house and carried him out to the railroad depot platform and then returned to Jackson's saloon to finish him, but Jackson got away from them and went to his house to get his Winchester rifle. In the meantime the Lanes left and Gurley went on home. While on his way they attacked him again, telling him he might as well leave the station. Jackson told them that he did not propose to do so and went home. Trial Justice Atkinson, of Simonsville, has gone to hold the inquest.

FLORENCE, December 15.—Sheriff McLendon has just returned from Cartersville with Gurley Jackson, the white man who killed Stuart Lane last night. The Sheriff said that Jackson surrendered to him without a word, telling him that he would have come to Florence and surrendered on Monday had he not come after him. Jackson says that he was sorry he killed Lane, but he had to do it or be killed. He is suffering considerably with mumps and from bruises where he was beaten by the Lanes. The Sheriff says that the statement as made to me by the party from Cartersville was about as Jackson told him of the affair. Jackson is in jail.

Nice bright dried apples, five cents a pound, at Blackwell's.

Verifying His Assertion.

[Florence Messenger.]

It was our intention that our editorial in last week's issue should close the controversy on the subject of the warehouse solicitors and between this paper and Mr. R. A. Croxton. But in his letter he denied having been interested in a Virginia warehouse at the time he was "building up" South Carolina's markets and as it was only hearsay evidence with us, up to the time that we published his letter, that he was working in a dual role we did not dispute his word. Since the publication of his letter, however, a number of his personal acquaintances from Virginia and several citizens of Darlington have asserted that they knew positively beyond a doubt that Mr. Croxton was interested with Mr. Noell in the warehouse business in Danville the year that he ran the Darlington warehouse; that when the season closed in Darlington in March he went to Danville and finished out the time in the warehouse of C. D. Noell & Co.; that before he left Darlington and before the warehouse at that place closed, Mr. Croxton solicited for the warehouse of C. D. Noell & Co. and advised farmers to ship their tobacco there. It is also stated that Messrs. C. D. Noell & Co. were interested in the Darlington warehouse insofar as the profit and loss of that warehouse was concerned. Now, we can get the affidavits from these people if necessary, but we prefer not to bring these gentlemen into the controversy as it will cause hard feeling between Mr. Croxton and them, and at the beginning of the whole affair it was far from our intention of anybody making enemies of friends.

HOPEWELL.

Mumps are "all the rage" here just now.

Mr. William Tolson and Miss Minnie Register were married at Salem Church on Sunday by the Rev. C. D. Mann.

A few "holiness" preachers from about Darlington have been holding meetings in this neighborhood the past week.

Judging from the general improvement going on in the way of building by some of our young men, something is "in the wind."

Mr. T. C. Goodson and Mr. J. N. Parnell will probably move to Williamsburg County at an early day. We will be sorry to lose them, as they are both good citizens.

The entertainment given by the school at Lamar on Friday evening last was a success in every respect as reported by some of our people attending it, all of whom returned highly pleased.

Best raisins, in large or small boxes, at Blackwell Bros.

Don't forget the concert and oyster supper to be given in the Opera House to-morrow (Friday) night under the auspices of members of the Baptist Church. Everybody in Darlington should attend it. A fine programme has been arranged, and the occasion promises to be a most delightful one in every respect.

Would not a lounge make a nice Christmas present? Call and see ours. J. D. Baird.

LOST!

A BROWNISH RED SETTER DOG, answering to the name of Alec. A liberal reward will be paid for his return to Dr. J. A. Boyd's drug store. A. E. HANE.

Clerk's Sales.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

County of Darlington.

IN COMMON PLEAS.

Francis J. Pelzer, vs. Z. R. Mixon and Nahum Galloway.

Judgment for Foreclosure.

Pursuant to a Judgment for Foreclosure made in the above stated case, I will offer for sale in front of the court house in Darlington county, on the first Monday in Jan. next, the following described real estate: All that certain tract or parcel of land containing one hundred acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of Z. R. Mixon, on the east by lands of John F. Atkinson, south by lands of William Richardson and west by estate lands of Jesse Gilbert; and also all that other tract of land containing forty (40) acres, more or less, bounded north by estate lands of Jesse Gilbert, east by lands of E. H. A. Grantham, south by lands of Z. R. Mixon and west by estate lands of Jesse Gilbert.

Terms of sale, one-half cash, balance in one year, secured by the bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises sold. Purchaser to pay for all necessary papers.

W. ALBERT PARROTT, Clerk.

Dec. 14, 1895.

Special Masters' Sale.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

District of South Carolina.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

FOURTH CIRCUIT. IN EQUITY.

James H. Parker, Complainant,

vs.

Francis J. Pelzer, et al., Defendants.

Pursuant to an order of His Honor, Charles H. Simonton, Judge of the Circuit Court, made in the above stated cause on the 10th day of December, 1895, the undersigned, as Special Masters, will offer for sale from the Court House steps at Darlington, C. H., S. C., on Monday, the 13th day of January, 1896, the following described real estate, situate in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, now the property of Manuel Marco:

1. Tract known as the T. P. King place containing ninety-four (94) acres more or less and bounded north by estate lands of H. C. King, south by William Richards, east by lands of Mrs. F. Galloway and M. Marco and west by lands of Mrs. C. Skinner.
2. Tract known as the Best Place containing one hundred (100) acres more or less, and bounded north by lands of William Richards, south by lands of William Best, east by lands of Mrs. F. Galloway and west by Sparrow Swamp.
3. Tract known as the Cox Place, containing one hundred and twenty-five (125) acres, more or less, and bounded north by Bell Branch and Sparrow Swamp, south by Mrs. M. M. Cox and Mrs. L. E. Witherspoon, east by lands of Robert Rogers and west by lands of C. L. Parnell.
4. Tract known as the Martha Boykin Place, containing forty-two (42) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of Jerry Johnson, south and east and south and west by estate lands of R. M.

Severance and east by lands of Doc Parnell.

5. Tract known as the Howell Place, containing one hundred and three (103) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of James Vaughan, south by lands of Mrs. Ross Huggins, east by lands of Amos Slator and west by lands of Wesley Alexander.

6. Tract known as the Harris Place, containing one hundred and three (103) acres, more or less, and bounded north by land of John Norwood, south by lands of O. D. Lee, east by land of George McCall and west by land of Ephraim Knotts.

7. Tract known as the Harrell Place, containing one hundred (100) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of J. B. Howell, south by lands of Elizabeth Fields, east by lands of estate of I. M. Harrell and west by Sparrow Swamp.

8. Tract known as the Outlaw Place, containing one hundred (100) acres, more or less, bounded north by Rufus Dixon, south and east by lands of Joseph Walters and west by lands of J. L. Parrott.

9. Tract known as the Molly King Place, containing ninety (90) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of M. Marco, south and east by lands of Cupid Mingo and west by lands of C. S. Parnell.

10. Tract known as the Woodham Place, containing sixty (60) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of Fanny Williams, south by public road, east by John Northcutt and west by lands of H. M. Woodham.

11. Tract known as the Boykin Place, containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of M. Marco and south by lands of Arthur Lee, east by lands of J. M. Josey and west by lands of John McSween.

12. Tract known as the Galloway Place, containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, and bounded north by Public Road, south by lands of John Kelly and N. Galloway, east by lands of N. L. Harris and J. H. Kelly and west by lands of Mrs. F. Galloway.

13. Tract known as the DuBose place, containing sixty-five (65) acres, more or less, and bounded north and east by lands of M. Marco and Tom McLendon and west by lands of Tom McLendon.

14. Tract known as the Mims tract, containing ninety-six (96) acres, more or less and bounded north by south by lands of J. W. Beasley and east by lands of Henry Andrews and west by lands of Ed. Mims.

15. Tract known as the Henry Kelly place, containing eighty (80) acres, more or less, and bounded north and east by lands of Ed. Davis, south by lands of J. C. Bell and west by lands of John Stuckey.

16. Tract known as the Dru Boykin place, containing two hundred and ten (210) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of P. G. Fields, south by lands of Frank Chaplin, east by lands of B. A. Howell and Sparrow Swamp, and west by lands of Ed. Davis and Mrs. Celia Vaughan.

17. Tract known as the Brand place, containing forty (40) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of Bettie Huggins, south by lands of R. M. Josey and J. W. Stuckey, east by lands of Bettie Huggins, and Sparrow Swamp and west by lands of T. J. Price.

18. Tract known as the Mittie Woodham place, containing one hundred and forty (140) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of William DuBose and west by lands of Charles Stuckey and Walter McCall.

19. Tract known as the Mill place, containing four hundred and eighty (480) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of A. M. Northcutt, south by lands of M. Marco and Bettie Huggins, east by lands of Mrs. Chelly King, and west by lands of B. A. Howell and A. E. Witherspoon.

20. Tract known as the Lydia Plantation, containing eight hundred and twenty-five and one-half (825 1/2) acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands of H. J. Lee, and estate of W. H. Thomas, south by lands of B. Fields and estate of I. M. Harrell, east by Boggy Gully, and west by lands of Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, G. W. Reynolds, W. L. Galloway and Sparrow Swamp.

Terms of sale, one-third cash, balance in one and two years, with interest from the date of sale, payable annually, secured by bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises, purchaser to pay all taxes payable in 1896, and to pay the officers making the sale the usual fee for each set of papers, and to have the privilege of paying all cash if so minded; said lands to be sold in separate parcels.

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