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## LOCAL LAGONICS.

MATTERS IN AND AROUND THE TOWN OF DARLINGTON.

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

Synod will meet in Darlington next year.

T. H. Spain, Esq., went over to Marion last Friday.

Mr. W. T. Powell, of Cheraw, spent last Friday night in town.

Mr. W. W. McCutchen, of Florence, was in town last Sunday.

Mr. George Richmond, of Sumter, spent last Sunday in town.

E. C. Haynesworth Esq., of Sumter, spent last Tuesday in town with relatives.

Gen. W. E. James and Rev. D. M. Fulton attended Synod at Orangeburg last week.

W. S. Blakner, Esq., of White Plains', Chesterfield county, was in town last Friday.

Union services were held in the Baptist church last Sunday night, conducted by Rev. D. M. Fulton.

Mr. C. D. Evans, has been spending several days at Society Hill with his mother who has been unwell.

Mr. C. M. Ward, who has a run on the mail car between Columbia and Asheville, has been spending a few days in town.

Mr. W. D. Coker, of Philadelphia township, has returned from West Point, Va., where he has been spending about a month.

Rev. R. E. Peele, of Mt. Elon, will conduct services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning.

Many of the merchants closed their stores on election day and quite a number availed themselves of the holiday to go hunting and fishing.

Mr. J. I. Gandy gave the editor of THE NEWS an ear of pop corn the other day, some of the grains of which had popped open before the corn was taken from the stalk.

The Kings Daughters will give an entertainment to all the children who took part in the Mystic Midgets, at the residence of Mrs. T. E. Slight next Friday afternoon at half past 4 o'clock.

Mr. J. China, who worked at the C. S. & N. Depot before the Coast Line took charge a few years ago and who has since been staying in Bennettsville, has returned to Darlington and is now working as telegraph operator at the depot.

Messrs. J. L., Wesley and John Johnson, of Chesterfield county brought to THE NEWS office three very long stalks of sugar cane yesterday. Mr. J. L. Johnson's stalk is the longest and measures 105 inches. Who can beat this?

Now that the election is over let us turn our attention to the State Fair. The Columbia people are making great preparations for this event and they expect a large crowd of from all parts of the State. There are many people who always come to the State Fair to meet their friends and these annual gatherings are always beneficial in many ways.

Mr. J. L. Michie, manager of the opera house, is making an effort to have the Robinson Opera Troupe stop in Darlington again on their return trip. If Mr. Michie succeeds in his undertaking the people of Darlington will have another chance to hear this fine company, which is probably the best which has ever performed here, and the opera house will doubtless be crowded to its utmost capacity.

Baird Bros. are good advertisers, it pays them, and they advertise liberally. They believe in pictorial advertisements, and quote prices. Whenever you see a firm advertise the price of any article of commerce you may then feel sure they give you the lowest values. The Editor of THE NEWS has not seen a busier store in some time than theirs one day last week when six wagon loads of furniture were bought by parties living as far as 28 miles.

The New Orleans Museum, a variety ten-cent show has, been in full blast on the square for a day or two. The slight of hand performance is worth the price of admission, and the other attractions—living pictures, fortune telling, big snake &c., make a combination well worth the money.

Mr. H. F. White, traveling agent for Army Letters of Personnel, has been spending several days in town in the interest of the excellent publication mentioned above. Mr. White succeeded in getting quite a number of subscribers in Darlington. Mr. De Fontaine should be liberally encouraged in his enterprise and the editor of THE NEWS would be glad to see him get 50,000 subscribers in South Carolina.

Drum cigarets are all the go.

The Election Returns in Darlington.

About a hundred men assembled in the Armory hall Tuesday night to hear the election news as it came over the wires sent by the Associated Press. From first to last everything seemed favorable to McKinley and his majorities seemed to be piling up tremendously in New York, New England, New Jersey, Maryland and the central West.

Some of those who were anxious to hear the news waited until ten o'clock, others until eleven, while some toughed it out until one. But the news was all one way, the Republicans had swept the country as by a tidal wave and the silver men in the crowd were consequently cast down.

Hecker's "Flap Jack" flour at Dean Bros.

LATEST ELECTORAL SUMMARY.

McKinley 277. Bryan 170—Necessary to a Choice 224.

New York, November 4.—Midnight—Returns received today and to-night by the United Associated presses reduce the doubtful States to two—California and North Dakota. Washington, Wyoming, Kansas and Nebraska of the States which were in doubt last night are transferred to the Bryan column, and Delaware, Oregon, South Dakota, Indiana and Kentucky are placed in the McKinley column. The vote in Kentucky is close, but advices indicate that the State is Republican by a small plurality. Delaware and Oregon are also close States, but apparently carried by McKinley. The latest news from California and North Dakota is that in the precincts so far counted McKinley leads, but the margin of votes is so small that both States should be still classed as doubtful.

The latest returns indicate the electoral vote of the States will be cast as follows:

Electoral vote by States: Alabama, Bryan 11; Arkansas, Bryan 8; California, McKinley 9; Colorado, Bryan 4; Connecticut, McKinley 6; Delaware, McKinley 3; Florida, Bryan 4; Georgia, Bryan 13; Idaho, Bryan 3; Illinois, McKinley 24; Indiana, McKinley 15; Iowa, McKinley 13; Kansas, Bryan 10; Kentucky, McKinley 13; Louisiana, Bryan 8; Main, McKinley 6; Maryland, McKinley 8; Massachusetts, McKinley 15; Michigan, McKinley 14; Minnesota, McKinley 9; Mississippi, Bryan 3; Missouri, Bryan 17; Montana, Bryan 3; Nebraska, Bryan 8; Nevada, Bryan 3; New Hampshire, McKinley 4; New Jersey, McKinley 10; New York, McKinley 36; North Carolina, Bryan 11; North Dakota, McKinley 3; Ohio, McKinley 23; Oregon, McKinley 4; Pennsylvania, McKinley 32; Rhode Island, McKinley 4; South Carolina, Bryan 9; South Dakota, McKinley 4; Tennessee, Bryan 12; Texas, Bryan 15; Utah, Bryan 3; Vermont, McKinley 4; Virginia, Bryan 12; Washington, Bryan 4; West Virginia, McKinley 6; Wisconsin, McKinley 12.

Totals, McKinley 277, Bryan 170: Necessary to choice 224.

Without California and North Dakota McKinley apparently has 265 votes, or forty-one more than is necessary to elect.

The loss of Delaware, Oregon, Kentucky, South Dakota and Minnesota would still leave McKinley eight votes over the 224.

Don't forget Coggeshall's great clothing and dress goods sale.

## The Court Proceedings.

The State vs William Jackson, housebreaking and larceny—pleaded guilty, sentenced four months in jail or four months on chain gang.

The State vs Hugh Moses, larceny—pleaded guilty, sentenced one year in penitentiary or one year on chain gang and a fine of one dollar.

The State vs Thomas Ruffin, entering house with intent to steal, plead guilty, sentenced eight months in penitentiary or eight months on chain gang.

The State vs Jessie Anderson, assault and battery of high and aggravated nature—*not pros* on payment of costs.

The State vs William Andrews, violating dispensary law—*not pros*.

The State vs Maxey G. Lee, assault and battery with intent to kill, *not pros* on payment of costs and \$20. to prosecutor.

The State vs Geo. Davis, housebreaking and larceny, guilty, sentenced two years and six months in the State penitentiary.

The State vs Will Wright, alias William Wright, murder, plead guilty to manslaughter, sentenced two years and six months in the State penitentiary.

The State vs H. Middleton Skinner and T. C. Pate, assault and battery with intent to kill, guilty of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature, sentenced fine \$100 or five months each.

The State vs Henry Byrd, housebreaking and larceny, plead guilty, eight months on chain gang.

The State vs Thomas Smith, housebreaking and larceny, plead guilty, sentenced eight months on chain gang.

The State vs William Floyd, stealing grain from the field, guilty of larceny of less than five dollars, sentenced fine fifty dollars or chain gang one month.

The State vs M. T. Rollins, selling wine, pleads guilty, fine \$100 or imprisonment three months.

The State vs J. Barney Howell, selling wine, plead guilty, fine \$100 or imprisonment three months.

The State vs E. Robert James, violation of dispensary law, plead guilty, fine \$100 or imprisonment for three months.

The State vs Albert Gingham, guilty as to Albert Gingham with recommendation to mercy as to Albert Gingham.

The State vs Will Allen and Bessie Steadman, adultery or fornication, *not guilty*.

The State vs Albert Gingham, murder, plead guilty, sentenced to penitentiary for life.

The State vs Moses McIver, murder, sentenced to penitentiary for life.

C. R. Hatfield, murder, plead guilty, sentenced to two years and six months in the penitentiary.

Buck Pugh, house breaking and larceny, mistrial, the first time, but convicted on second trial and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 or work five months on chain gang.

The criminal court adjourned last Saturday afternoon to convene again this morning. The court yesterday was engaged in civil cases, but no business at all was transacted Monday and Tuesday.

Smokette and Export cigars, long Havana fillers, sold by Brunson, Lunn & Co. and J. O. Muldrow.

A First Rate Opera Troupe.

It is not often that Darlington and towns of its size are treated to a good opera performance, but the Robinson Opera Troupe, which rendered "Olivette" last Monday night, was something very fine. There were probably thirty or forty singers altogether and several of the voices were really first class, while the young women who composed the chorus, were far above the ordinary as to both voice and figure. This troupe was on its way to Charleston, but not being able to secure the theatre there until Wednesday night, laid off two days and gave Darlington and Florence good opera Monday and Tuesday nights. Considering that the performance was not well advertised, the house was a good one and all who went were well pleased.

We still have a few more of those dried apples at 5 cents per pound.—Dean Bros.

Drum cigarets are all the go.

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1.00 " " .85			

Call and get some of these BARGAINS before they all go.

## RESPECTFULLY, COGGESHALL & CO.

Mr. Clements Breaks His Arm.

While Mr. Ira N. Clements was on his way home on the afternoon of the 27th of Oct., his horse became frightened at a baby carriage on the edge of town and shied, throwing Mr. Clements out of the buggy in the ditch and breaking one of his arms. His arm was bandaged by Dr. R. B. R. C. Wallace and is now getting on well.

County raised, home made, drips at Dean Bros.

Darlington's Vote.

Election day in Darlington was about the dullest of the whole year. There were very few people in town and the few who came stood around the square and talked to the merchants and clerks who had nothing to do on account of the stores being closed. Nobody seemed to take any interest in the election and the vote was light. Bryan received 190, McKinley, 78 and Palmer, 10; Ellerbe, 205, Pope, 25, McLaurin, 170, McKee, (Melton Republican) 60, Wilson, (Webster Republican) 36. The vote for solicitor and county officers was all one way.

Hartsville; Bryan, 185, Palmer, 6, McKinley, 0; McLaurin, 146, McKee, 7; Ellerbe, 139, Republican State ticket 9.

Hav'n't heard from all precincts but think that Drum Cigaretts have won.

The Colored Institute.

[Reported for THE NEWS.] Last Monday night, at the colored Baptist church, a successful Preachers Institute was begun. The church had been handsomely repaired on the inside and presented quite a tasteful appearance. Rev. H. M. Raiford, D. D., was in charge. Many able addresses were made. These institutes are supported in part by the Northern and Southern white Baptist societies and will, no doubt, be productive of great good. The purpose is to give some opportunity for instruction to those ministers who may not have had many opportunities for advancement. Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D., Sec'y. of the Home Mission Society, delivered many interesting addresses on various topics. His remarks were indeed inspiring and helpful.

Addresses were made by Rev. J. W. Perry, of Hartsville, and Mr. L. P. Newman a converted Jew, of Florence, Rev. E. W. Sanders, of Florence, Prof. J. R. Wilson, of Columbia, and Rev. Hartwell Edwards, of Palmetto. All of these gentlemen talked on education and mission work. The meeting was not as largely attended as it should have been, but was an occasion of much good.

J. T. Rogers seed oats for sale at Coggeshall's.

The Darlington Correspondent of The State Thinks Hatfield Was Guilty of Murder.

C. R. Hatfield pleaded guilty of manslaughter and was sentenced to the penitentiary at hard labor for three years. This case of homicide was evidently one of murder deliberate, according to testimony before the coroner's jury. Hatfield is about 21, while the boy he killed was only 15 years of age. According to the testimony, he shot young McKenzie without any provocation, excuse or justification whatsoever. He claimed that the killing was accidental. Both, it seemed, were paying attention to the same young lady at the time, and the State claimed that had the case gone to trial it would have proved that young Hatfield told Ethel Register, the girl in question, a few days before the shooting, that she would never see Brooks McKenzie alive again, as he intended to kill him on sight. It was surprising to many that the solicitor accepted a plea of manslaughter, and that the judge gave such a light sentence. A great French writer once said that during the French revolution: "France swallowed crime and vomited blood," and when a man slays his own neighbor in which it occurs and is rather made a hero of and crowned with flowers, so to speak; then no wonder, is it, that human life becomes cheaper than a sulphur match?

[It is reported that the relatives of young McKenzie, whom Hatfield killed, are satisfied with the punishment imposed upon him, but it is nevertheless certain that such light sentences are the means of encouraging murder.—Ed. NEWS.]

A beautiful line of buggy robes and whips at Coggeshall's.

A Past Assistant Republican.

Congressman McLaurin opened hostilities against the national democrats and, since he has assumed the aggressive, his own record is a fair object of attack. In 1892 Mr. McLaurin was attorney general and a member of the board of state canvassers. That board in the contest between E. W. Moore, white democrat, and G. W. Murray, colored republican, decided in Murray's favor and John L. McLaurin voted and spoke on the Murray side of the question.

Mr. McLaurin sneers at the national democrats as "assistant republicans" but John L. McLaurin gave to Murray, the republican candidate for congress, greater assistance than ever the national democrats of South Carolina can or will give to the republican party.—Charleston Post.

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