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MINOR LOCAL MATTERS.

AFFAIRS CAUGHT BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER AND NOTED.

Written in Condensed Form and Printed in Like Manner for the Sake of our Weary Readers.

Watermelous will soon be on the market.

There was a fish fry at Kelley's lake last Tuesday.

Mr. T. J. Brown made a trip to Darlington, his former home, last week.

The Kingstree Academy will close its present session one week from tomorrow. Miss Lilly May, of Salters, has

been spending a few days in Kingstree.

Miss Retta Withers, of Manning. is visiting the family of Thos. M. Gilland, Esq.

Rev. W. D. Moorer went down to Charleston yesterday, on a business trip.

Mr. W. E. Cook, of Scranton, has been in town for several days visiting friends.

Mrs. Martha Godfrey, of Walterboro, is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. R. N. Squires, of Georgetown, spent a day or two in Kingstree last week.

Louis Gilland has gone to Spartai.burg to attend the commencement exercises of Couverse and Wofford colleges.

Walter Steele, of Rocky Mount, N. C., and W. B. Steele. of Brownsville, are visiting their father Mr. J. J. Steele.

Mr. C. W. Wolfe, who has been teaching in the graded school at Bennettsville, spent a day or two in Kingstree last week, and is now at Harris Lithia Springs, where he will remain for some weeks.

Capt. W. H. Kennedy, of Indian town, advertises in this issuse of the County Record that he has an engine, two gins, a corn mill and some other machinery for sale. Read his advertisement.

The Board of Registration was in session in the court house last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Only a few registration tickets were issued, the majority of them being for negroes

Hail storms in different parts of the county were reported as having fell last Friday, doing considerable damage to the growing crops. If any hail fell here, we turn over the office to the com have heard nothing of it.

Mr. R. J. Severance. fomerly of Lake City, but who has been in Wilmington, N. C., for the past six months, was in town Tuesday attending to the duties of the depot agent while Mr. Graham was away.

A petition has been fowar led to the postal authorities praying for the establishment of four postoffices in this county on the route from Mouzons to Lake City. The offices are to be called McClams, Moores X Roads, Hebron and Spring Branch.

Although it is just the begining of the summer season when business is dull everywhere except on the farms, our subscription list is constantly on the increase, nearly every day we add new names of but one place at a time, and some prominent people from different people seem to think it a crime to parts of the county.

Miss Lula Shaw, of Cades, spent a day or two in town last week.

Mr. B O. Bristow, of Darlington, spent Monday in Kingstree.

Mr. S. B. Hamer of Salters. paid us a very pleasant call last Monday.

Miss Mary-Anna Davis, of Manning, is visiting the Misses Kelley.

Mr. S. W. Gowdy, one of the substantial residents of the Cades section, made us a visit last Mon day morning.

F. Barron Grier, Esq., of Green wood, spent several days in Kingstree this and 'last week. Mr. Grier was once a citizen of this place, and has a host of triends here all of whom were ed. glad to see him on our streets again. He is meeting with abundant success in his legal practice at Greenwood, and has been elected city attorney for that place Mr. Grier will always meet with success, it matters not where he locates, or, at least, that's what his friends say.

FIRE NEAR ROME:

Mr. J. B. Barrineau Loses His

Residence and Furniture. J. B. Barrineau suffered the mistortune of losing his dwelling and its entire contents by fire last Saturday night. The family had all retired, and when the fire was discovered it had gained such tremendous headway that it was im possible to save anything from the burning building. Even the cloth-Mesers. J. B. Steele, of Bingham, of every member of the family was consumed, the inmates of the house themselves barely escaping with their lives.

> There was no insurance on any of the property, and the loss falls is a friendly rive!ry as to who heavily upon Mr. Barrineau. His little baby was very ill at the time of the fire, and it is now thought that the exposure to the night air measures 16 inches in diameter. t) which it was subjected will cause its death. Mr. Barrineau has the sympathy of his friends throughout the county.

Against Mr. McConnell.

Justice E. B. Gary, of the Su preme Court, heard at his chambers in Columbia last Saturday the motion of Thos. M. Gilland, Esq., in behalf of Mr. Ervin M. Smith, in the case against Mr. J. Z. Mc-Counell, Jr., praying that the lat ter be required to turn over the books, furniture, papers, etc be longing to the office of probate judge for Williamsburg county to Mr. Smith. Judge Gary granted an order requiring Mr. McConnell to plainant and as Mr. McConnell's counsel, Col. B. Pressley Barron, was ill and unable to attend the hearing, Mr. McConnell has been advised to refuse to turn over up on Mr. Smith's demand, and a motion will be made to have the and Virginia Coker have spared case reopened. If this motion is no time in "practicing" the chil refused, an appeal will be made to the full bench of the Supreme day. Mr. Editor, we would be Court. In the meantime, Mr. Mc delighted to have you with us. Connell will still hold over.

JOHNSON'S CHILL AND FEVER TONIC

Cures Fever In One Day.

If we miss a local or personal about any happenings of our town dont get offended, we cant be at give us a local.

MATTERS AROUND DOCK.

A LONG LETTER CONTAINING MA NY INTERESTING NOTES.

The Condition of the Crops.-A Very Amusing Story.-Peronal Paragraphs.

Miss Rosa Graham is on a visit to friends in Sumter county.

Miss Mattie Graham has re urned from the Sumter Insti-

Miss May Godwin, who has been teaching school at Trio, will return home Friday.

Miss Lizzie Nesmith, who was recently poisoned at a picnic by some weed, has entirely recover

Last Sunday Rev. Mr. Holland delivered an able sermon at the Black Mingo Baptist church from 1 Cor., 3, 13.

There will be services at Indiantown next Saturday and Sunday. Sunday will be communion day. A number of Kingstree people will be down.

Mr. Reginald J. Nesmith, the popular and expert book-keeper for the well-known firm of F. Rhem & Sons, is at his post again after a week's illness.

Wm. D. Shaw, ex-editor of the Lake City Times, is on an extended visit to his aunt, Mrs. Lydia Nesmith. Mr. Shaw says he is enjoying life, and could never be unhappy here where there are so whortleberries and big

It will not be many "long summer days" ere we will have the lucious melons. Every farmer has planted melons, and there shall pull the first one and raise the most. Mr. J. C. Josey has a cantaloupe in his 'patch" that

The crops in this section are very fine. It was a hard matter with some farmers to get a good stand of corn. The rice crop promises to yield abundantly. The oat crop is practically a fail ure. There is no tobacco planted in this section of the county, in fact, there is none between this place and Lake City.

The people here are sick and disgusted with the dispensary now. Some of them would prefer to have whiskey sold at every cross roads rather than have things continue as they are. More offices, higher taxes-dishonest officers. Mr. Editor, "rip 'em up the back and lace 'em down the iront." We need your assistance.

Next Saturday is "Children's Day" at Jackson's Chapel. The people of this community anticipate a big time. Mr. Darwin Mc-Connell and Misses Lilah Cook dren for the exercises on that We will give you a good time. We cannot promise you any "unbroken packages" or anything like that, but we will certainly feed you. We would warn you, how ever, that the red bug and tick crop is flourishing, and would ad vise you to provide yourself with a pair of tweezers and a bottle of

You have been publishing some pretty tough stories about setting ture one, there is no telling what hens and eggs, Mr. Editor, and you we wish

publish the following very laughable incident, which actually happened, and if any of you read ers are disposed to doubt it. we respectfully refer them to that well-known farmer, Mr J. C. Josey: Before the war all pants cloth was made on a loom at home from yarn that had been spun and dyed in indigo, oak buds, walnut hulls, etc. Just after the war Mr -, of Tillers Ferry, Kershaw county, had a new Sunday suit made of this cloth of varigated colors. It had been dyed with walnut hulls etc., and these stains were not washed out of the yarn. One hot summer Sundry Ms. --- walked about a mile to church. When he arrived there he was very warm and perspiration had dampened his suit, causing the dye to "run," at the same time creating an unhealthy oder. Mr. - who who somewhat superstitious, became alarmed. He went to the pastor and said he wished to be immersed that afternoon, as he would soon leave this world. "I am mortifying now," he urged earnestly, "I am decaying; I stinks I stinks!" After the sermon the minister, with solemn face and sad tone, announced that Bro. -, would be immersed in a mill pond near there at 4 o'clock that afternoon. That he expected to die soon, as he was mortifying then, decomposition having already set in. Mr. Editor, this is a bad one, but Mr. Josev is a man of unquestioned veracity, and says he saw the young man

ball here this afternoon at the grounds just beyond the residence of Ma. Louis Jacobs, between the "sluggers" and the "regulars." The game will be called promptly at 4 o'clock. The public generally, and the ladies particularly, are invited to attend. The following is the complexion of the two nines: The "sluggers"—G T Bullard, W V Brockinton, C J Lesesne, H A Graham, W G Elwell, J Z McConnell, Montie Jacobs, Willam Scott and R K Wallace; The "regulars" -Nappie Jacobs, Hay McClary,

Tony Brown, Joe Arms, Willie

Dunlop, Hoxie Askins, Julian Ja-

cobs, E C Dennis and A E Salters.

I hope this communication de-

"BLUE STEEL.

servers the space it will occupy

Base Ball Today.

There will be a game of base

in your newsy columns.

immersed.

With a very large stock of shoes on hand and having already bought extensively for fall shipment we wish to sell down our stock in the next sixty days, and anyone needing a pair will do well to call on us before buying. We also have a very large line of plug tobacco which we wish to reduce. It is of various qualities and is being offered at bargain prices. Straw hats, too, are things that we do not carry over from one season io another and what we have left must go. Come to us for a cool summer hat. We have some horse collar pads, back bands, hames, trace chains, and other plow gear that we are closing out. Do you need any of this stuff? Come early. When you want pure, fresh groceries, call on

LESESNE & EPPS.

There is an old saying, and a man is worth until he is dead and lesson, and after more than eighty to his funeral expenses paid.

THE PEOPLE OF MT. VERNON CHURCH ENJOY LIFE.

A Lengthy Communication From th Pastor of the Church .- A Day

Full of Pleasure. On Saturday, May 22nd, about 10 o'clock, the Mt. Vernon people gathered to celebrate "children" day." The exercises were opened by prayer by the pastor, which was fit and proper indeed to first give thanks unto Him who said, suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of God." The address of welcome was then delivered by a little girl-quite a tot. Beautiful flowers were twined in her hair and the song of the angels as they sang by night to the shepherds, Glory to God in the highest, and a lengthy programme was followed, in which the school reand themselves. At the close a tall thin fellow of more than half dozen grains of rice and set ters of the groom. Everg on other lines. But the young dulged in games, out-door people put in the time in their etc., till a late hour.

own peculiar way. Some of the boys and young men and old bachelors sat and talked together, and like Moses of ot old viewed the promised land from a distance Others of quite another turn o mind, thought that distance no longer lent enchantment, and drew near to the daughters of Eve, giving good heed to the words that fell from their lips It was a great time for old bache lors, and as they looked upon the fair daughters of men and talked with them, their hearts grew eternal in human breast." They saw by faith their lonely homes presided over by queens "They saw the confusion worse confounded," that reigns supreme in a bachlor's camp driven out by law and order. But alas in the midst of all these dreams the parting District, recently left vacant by the came. P rhaps never again shall all that crowd meet till we stand before the judgement bar of God Even there we may part again, for some will go to life eternal but perhaps not all. Men grow old, not in proportion to the years they live, but as their nearts grow old. There was one in the crowd

who seemed to have learned this

years to day he is younger than

many of us at thirty. Since then this scribe has decided to try not o grow old. There were several among us from a certain town away to the west. Among them a certain one whom Juno and Venus might gladly call sister. Happy the youth taught by her to drink at the fountain of knowledge and proud the mad whom she calls friend. Now my pu tient readers, a long farewell. ROBERT C. BOULWARE.

MARRIAGE AT SAMPIT.

Mr. C. Huggins and Miss Callie Brown Join Hands.

Mr. Charlie B. Huggins, one of the most popular and big-hearted men of our section, was married on Tuesday evening, May 25th, in the Methodist church, at Same between the lines one might read Georgetown county, to Miss Call Bourne, daughter of Jonub K Bourne, of Sampit. I did not have the pleasure of being present, as on earth peace, good will toward cannot give you a description of men." After the welcome, quite the event, but I have learned from friends of Mr. Huggins who wer present at the happy occasion that flected honor upon their trainers it was a beautiful wedding was largely attended. As of the exercises they formed bride was a very popular you themselves in line and were led lady, she was the recipient of that

by a handsome young woman and handsome and costly presente. Mr. and Mrs. Huggins gave thirty summers to a boundful reception to their friends on the dinner. When the table was evening of their arrival at home reached, they went not as the the 26th ult., which was a go good book says, "The sheep on and enjoyable affair. Notwith the right and the goats on the standing nature has done so muc left," but the boys were to the to beautify Mr. Huggins's right and the girls to the left more was done in an artificial and The crowd showed full well its artistic way by Miss Rena Lac knowledge of a good thing by a lady of accomplishments and the way it tarried at the table. very fine taste, ably assisted by And even the modest girls, that Mrs. Excie Keith, Mrs. A. L. Sim perhaps had collected a whole mons and Mrs. Mallie Huggins, ais their dainty mouths going at grasses and flowers were used in other times, now stood firm and the decorations, which were exstrong and shoveled rice, chicken, quisitely beautiful. After a chicken pie, pork, cakes and ing several hours in a pleasant custards, and so many other good cial way, the guests were invit things that it makes me want my out to supper, and such a supp supper to think of it, like Troj- as it was! A table the full le ans. After dinner the crowd of the dining room, beautif enjoyed the afternoon in different decorated and fairly growing be ways, some of the men sat and neath the weight of almost every talked of corn and cotton, while thing good known to the culling their wives had much to speak of art. After supper the crowd is

The Width of Public Roads

Editor County Record:

Will you please tell me, and for the benefit of your subscribers what is the width of the public roads as required by law?

Several of our county commissioners do not even know the aw upon this subject, and want them to see this arti

Dock, May, 29th.

The statutes of South Carolina, young once more. "Hope springs require the county roads to be twenty feet in width.

NOTICE.

NCOURAGED BY friends, I hereby announce candidacy, subject to the rules of the Democratic party, for the seat in Congress from the Sixth appointment of Hon. John L. 1 Aurin to the United States Senat J. M. JOHNSON.

Teachers Examination.

The next examination for teachers certificates for Williamsburg county will be held at Kingstree, June 25th, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m.

N. D. LESESNE, Co. Supt. Ed. W. C.

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