

The Watchman and Southron. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11. Entered at the Post Office at Sumter, S. C. as Second Class Matter. POSTAL DIRECTORY.

OUR OFFICE. The Office of the Watchman and Southron has been permanently established at the old Stand of the True Southron, opposite the Court House.

The members of the Sumter Literary Club are requested to meet at the Hall at Earl's, on Thursday evening next, at half past seven o'clock.

Everybody who goes to the Oyster Supper to-night should ask to see the picture of Yorktown.

The congregation and friends of the Mayesville Baptist Church give a supper to-night. We wish them much success and plenty of money.

Our school is booming, so we hear. It needs another room and more seats and desks. We wish the people of Sumter should supply this deficiency.

The A. L. of H. meets to night. Come out brethren and go to the oyster supper afterwards.

The Clerk of the Town Council has been busy all the morning weighing hay. He for the hay-makers.

F. Halton Folsom & Bro. have hung out a handsome new sign in front of their store. We will show a picture of it soon.

The coats, caps &c., for the S. L. I. have arrived, and it is evidently the intention of the boys to out a swell at the Centennial. Hope they will let "blue grass" stay in back ground.

We suppose that every voter in the county has had an opportunity, ere this of recommending some patriotic individual for the office of Sheriff. Several candidates are in the field.

Our Treasurer (we mean the County Treasurer, for the W. & S. Publishing Company have not yet elected theirs), thinks that taxes are coming in this year as well as usual.

Harby Bros. have in stock heavy mules and horses, and a supply of wagons, buggies and harness, also corn, oats and hay, and more to arrive. Their change of advertisement came in too late for this issue.

The School Commissioner leaves to-night for Yorktown, and will be absent about ten days. He begs the indulgence of those who may wish to see him on business, and offers as his excuse, the fact that he will have to wait one hundred years for the trip if he does not go this time.

At Music Hall this evening. After the plume drill of the S. L. I. and during the serving up of Hot Oysters, Coffee, Cake, and Ice Cream, &c., a panoramic view will be exhibited, showing Yorktown, the military encampment, showing the triumphal arch, the parade at the troops, the naval squadron at Anchoer on the river, The steamers, Bristol, Florida and Loois, loaded with passengers, steaming up the River, &c., &c., for which a very small sum will be charged.

W. D. Blanding, Esq. who has charge of the Tournament to be held on the first day of the County Fair (Oct. 25th inst.), informs us that he has received up to this time eleven entries. There are two or three other names which have been reported informally. He desires more entries. The prizes are, \$25 first, \$15 second, and \$10 third. The requirements are, fancy costumes, entries to be made by the 20th inst., lance eight feet long, and three rings. Let our young men take hold of this matter and make a success of it, and thereby add attractions to our Fair, as well as having out of it much amusement.

Factory. The Bellemont Cotton Factory is fast being completed, and by another full moon the tin roof of the factory will be as mirror for the Goddess of Night. The machinery is arriving and the President is busy.

It is an encouraging feature of the progress of the South that its cotton manufacturing interests are steadily increasing. In 1875-76 only 145,000 bales were manufactured in Southern cotton mills, while during the past year 205,000 bales were manufactured—a gain of 60,000, or over 40 per cent. New mills are now being put up in the South that promise a much larger increase in a very short time.

Now that Sumter has joined the march of progress in this respect let those who have stock in the enterprise say, "Glory Hallelujah!"

S. L. I. Concert and Reading. Our community was really surprised at the talent displayed by the improvised troupe in the entertainment on last Wednesday night, and we venture the statement that all present were fully satisfied with the performance. The Hall was comfortably full, and doubtless those who occupied the stage gathered inspiration from the good audience.

Good taste was shown in the choice of music, both vocal and instrumental. The pieces were generally familiar to all, and consequently were more appreciable to the audience. Each performer acted his or her part well, and we do not know that we have any reason for special preference of one above another. In some cases, certain pieces were more striking, others more pathetic, others yet more mirth-provoking. Some of the men were handsomer than others and ditto of the ladies. But all this was only a matter of course, and such variety is always spicy. We returned home feeling that there were other pieces we could have enjoyed, and we accepted this as an unexpressed compliment to the performers, as if we had said we wished for more of the same kind.

The criticism we passed inwardly was adverse indeed, but only to the audience. We are thinking of instituting a phenological examination upon the heads of some persons to ascertain the following facts: First, why do they not keep their seats for an hour or so during an entertainment so full of interest? Second, if they must go out and come in, why do they use their hands upon the floor so boisterously and so much to the annoyance of others? We think they should all learn the heel and toe polka—the heel to be used when they are making a fuss for their own amusement, and the toe when they enter a crowded hall where others may be disturbed by their noise. If not violently prohibited, we desire to make the statement for the public good that heavy stamping on the floor on such occasions is a sign of bad breeding and worse raising. The young man who attracts notice to himself in this way is sure to suffer in the estimation of others, no matter how much he thinks of himself.

But aside from this philosophy, we desire to extend our hand of congratulation to the ladies and gentlemen who enabled us to pass a couple of hours so pleasantly, and we hereby promise that they do us again.

Not often is a community so much stirred by the death of a single individual as ours has been by the death of Mr. Josiah M. Wilder. We who survive him feel that we can pay this tribute to his memory without any mental reservation and without contradicting the verdict of the people concerning him.

Mr. Wilder was born in our community about forty-seven years ago, and from that to the present has lived in our midst, with the exception of a year or two. He had won to himself many firm and lasting friends who wept over his brief but unfeigned regret. As a companion he was genial to a fault, and in social converse had few equals. His power of conveying to others the impressions made upon his own mind was remarkable, and it had come to pass that no social gathering of gentlemen was felt to be complete without him.

His kindness of heart was his crowning trait of character. It was life's luxury to do kindness to others, and few who survive him will ever ascribe to his memory to charge him with a lack of charity. This trait, along with his genial and cheerful nature, easily won for him a place in the hearts of his companions, and hence do so many profoundly regret his decease.

In the fall of 1880, he was elected by the voice of the people to fill the office of Sheriff for Sumter County. This place he occupied at the time of his death, having, in all things, given satisfaction to his countrymen.

His death was sudden and unexpected. He spent last Wednesday in Columbia, in attending to certain business devolving upon him, and at eight o'clock he retired to rest. His wife, in a few moments, heard him breathing hard, and going to his bedside, realized that he was dying, and before any one could be called in he was gone.

He was cut down thus in the prime of life, and in the full exercise of all the powers of manhood. And here we utter our voice of sympathy. As was truly said at his funeral, we shall miss him—miss his genial presence and the warm clasp of his hand, while numbers who moved with him in the circle of life will feel that his death has left a great blank.

A Double Deal and a Big Haul. Last Saturday night some unknown parties committed the most daring robbery that has been perpetrated for years in Sumter. They first went to the premises of Mr. C. M. Harst, and took his horse out of the stable. It is supposed that a mule and wagon, each belonging to other parties, were obtained in like manner, after which the negroes proceeded some distance below the Depot to where the freight cars were standing, which was evening had been shifted to a side track, and broke open the cars containing some seven or eight hundred dollars worth of groceries and dry goods, which they made away with, without leaving the slightest clue of where and how they were disposed of. Yesterday three negroes were arrested on suspicion, and lodged in the Guard House, but for want of sufficient evidence to implicate them, they were released last night. Up to this morning no further information has been obtained.

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What the Director Said. A Boston reporter, while in the office of the New York and Boston Dispatch Express Company, had a conversation with Mr. B. F. Lorange, one of the directors of the company, who gave the following personal experience: "A little over a year ago I was taken sick. I did not know what the trouble was, but I continued to grow worse, and my complaint baffled the skill of my doctors. At last my symptoms developed into that terrible complaint, Bright's Disease, which has been pronounced incurable by all physicians. My sufferings at that time were unexpressable. I was bloated from head to foot; my heart pained me; my pulse was irregular, and I was unable to breathe except in short, convulsive gasps. While suffering thus I learned of Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure, and although I had been given up to die by the prominent physicians of Boston, and they had told my friends I could not live a week, I resolved to try this remedy as a last resort. I am rejoiced to say, and with many of my friends, who have been afflicted with kidney troubles, either of long standing or in their acute forms, and who, under my advice, have used this most wonderful remedy."

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There will be a general SALE of PRIVILEGES, at the Court House in Sumter on MONDAY, 17th OCTOBER, at 1 o'clock P.M. ADDRESSES Will be delivered during Fair Week, on the following subjects: THE LEXX LAW—Its benefits and evils. THE CORN CROP—How its deficit is to be made up. THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION—Is Prohibition the remedy? COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS—Their ultimate effect. CO-OPERATION STORES—Their proper management. ENSLAVE—Its value, and mode of making. The Crop, the cutting, the sowing, &c., &c. C. H. MOISE, Sec. and Treas.

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