The Press and Banner.

Wednesday, July 3, 1878.

Cokesbury Conference School.

The pleasant village of Cokesbury has for half a century been famous for its excellent schools. Under the fostering care of the Methodist Church, the Conference School for the education of boys and youths has continued in its prosperous career under a long line of distinguished rectors, and many a man whose name is part of the history of South Carolina has received his pre-graduate training at this time-honoured institution.

The scholastic term of 1877-'78 came to a close last week. The present rector, Prof. Pritchard, has been successful in keeping up the high character and flourishing condition of the Conference School and under his auspices the closing exercises were conducted with great credit to the pupils and the faculty. Rev. H. F. Chrietzberg preached the customary sermon before the school on Sunday 25th June. On the evening of 24th June, the public assembled in the hall of the Masonic College to hear a debate by four of the senior students members of the Erosophic Society. The subject of debate was, "Which is the true policy—the Straight-out, or the Conservative?" The Straight-out advocates were Messrs. J. D. Moore and J. G. Evans, the negative was maintained by Messrs. D. L. Mabry and G. P. Watson, Rev. W. A. Rogers, presided. The subject was handled in a most admirable manner. The intelligence and forensic ability they displayed were beyond all praise, and the liveliness and vigor with which they championed their cause deserved and received the admiration and undivided attention of the audience. The presiding officer's duty was no easy one for both sides had made out a good case, but Rev. Mr. Rogers decided in favour of the Straight-outs. Thereafter he delivered an excellent, eloquent and instructive address to the Erosophic Society.

On Tuesday a special examination of the senior Latin class took place. It was conducted by Rev. W. A. Rogers and W. C. Benet, Esq. After a searching examination the prize was awarded to D. L. Mabry, and honorable mention was gained by G. P. Watson.

At night the ladies gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Methodist church. The Cokesbury ladies have always been noted for the admirable way in which they conduct such entertainments, and on this occasion they succeeded as they always do.

On Wednesday, Rev. E. J. Meynardie, D.D., delivered an address to a very large concourse of people.

On Wednesday night the exhibition proper of the Cokesbury Conference School took place. It consisted of speeches, declamations, and a most amusing burlesque of a grammar class, in which last especially the young gentlemen distinguished themselves by their good acting, and gained frequent applause.

Thus pleasantly ended the closing exercises.

Cokesbury has reason to be proud of her good school, and to be congratulated on having as its rector so well-qualified and energetic a teacher as Prof. Pritchard.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

Last Sunday we had the pleasure of attending divine worship at Due West—the Rev. Samuel B. Jones, of the Methodist church, was expected to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon, according to appointment, but a telegram stating his inability to fulfill his engagement was received from him on Friday afternoon. Rev. R. A. Ross, D.D., of York, who was in attendance for the purpose of delivering a sermon to the Theological students, kindly consented to take the pulpit for Mr. Jones on that occasion. The large church was well filled with the cultured and refined community. After prayer and singing the Psalm, "Lord bless and pity us," &c., he read the seventh chapter of Hebrews, and preached from the twenty-fifth verse—"Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing that he ever liveth to make intercession for them." The speaker is a man of ability and eloquence.

At 3½ o'clock, p. m., Rev. John E. Pressly, of N. C., preached from John, 1st chap. 2d verse—"Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

Abbeville Democratic Club.

The regular monthly meeting of the club was held last Friday night, Capt. L. W. White in the chair. There was a full attendance. After the formal business, the books were opened for new members, and several colored men came forward and gave in their names. On motion of W. H. Parker, Esq., it was resolved to nominate a full ticket at the next meeting in July. Thereafter the president appointed delegates to the County Convention. Before adjournment, General McGowan was called for to make a speech. He responded in a brief address which was after his usual eloquent manner, and was well received.

Greenwood Commencement.

The closing exercises of the Male High School and the Female Academy at Greenwood will take place on the 16th and 17th July. The occasion promises to be a pleasant and interesting one. Full particulars of the programme will be published next week.

We commend to our readers the admirable speech of Hon. F. A. Conner, published in our account of the proceedings of the county club. The manly appearance before his constituents has gained him many friends. He took the best way to set himself right before the public and to stamp out pestilence that walketh in darkness. His remarks on the Bond question are instructive and place that vexed matter in its true light and position; namely, as a question, removed from politics and this campaign, and remitted to the Courts.

DEATH OF MRS. MOTTE.—Mrs. Motte, the sister-in-law of Mr. John Knox, who was so seriously injured last week by the overturning of their vehicle, died in two days after. Her remains were taken to New York for interment. Mr. Knox has so far recovered as to be able to walk about the house on his crutches. Mrs. Knox is still in a precarious condition.

Our distinguished townsman, Col. J. S. Cothran, was the anniversary orator at the recent commencement of Adger College, Walhalla. His address was a brilliant effort, well received by his audience and greatly praised by the press. Abbeville is proud of his ability and eloquence. He is not without honor in his own country.

During a recent visit to Due West, we had the pleasure of being the guest of Prof. Hood. At the Professor's we had the pleasure of meeting one of Newberry's belles, the cultured and beautiful Miss Lila Boozer.

LAST week while at Due West we were ratified at meeting Rev. Robert Latham, of Yorkville. Mr. Latham is an old friend and we are glad to see him looking so well. Father Time has dealt gently with him.

THE meeting at Abbeville Court House last Monday was one of the most harmonious that has occurred for months. There was no discordant element. The outlook is more hopeful for a glorious future than at any time since the war.

Who is Mr. W. D. McDonald? Will the Abbeville *Press and Banner* please answer.—*Inquirer.*

We beg pardon. We intended to print "Mr. W. B. McDaniel," but by some *hocus pocus* we got off the track.

Maj. James L. White, with thanks to his friends, for their kind mention of his name as County Commissioner, respectfully declines the nominaiion.

DR. J. W. W. MARSHALL, has just returned from St. Joseph. We haven't yet had an opportunity to interview him.

The Abbeville Band will furnish music for the Due West Commencement to-day and to-morrow.

EVERY horse and vehicle about Abbeville is at Due West to-day.

Gen. Butler speaks at Due West today.

Mr. Thos. J. Hill, of Antreville, died on Monday last.

Editors Press and Banner:

Having had a special invitation to attend the examination of the Little River School District No. 5 taught by an accomplished lady, Miss Carrie Mattison, I availed myself of the privilege and was highly gratified at the prompt replies of the scholars to general questions on their several studies. They were next examined on sections of their school books which sections they had been studying very closely for weeks preparatory to the examination but were "quizzed" at random.

Miss Mattison has the entire confidence of the patrons and children as well as the board of Trustees of District No. 5. Would that we had many more of the same. Miss M. derived her education chiefly at the De La Howe School. Respectfully,

JOHN A. ROBINSON.

Editors Press and Banner:

I desire through the columns of your paper to decline the nomination for the Legislature tendered me by my friends. I would at the same time extend to my friends my acknowlegement and appreciation of this expression of kindship and confidence.

JAS. L. PRESSLEY,

July 1, 1878.

Dead Issues.

Editors Press and Banner:

Sometimes we are almost inclined to regret that the last nail is driven into the coffin of radicalism. In 1876, when we had that powerful enemy to fight, we entered into the contest and waged the war with an enthusiasm, a unanimity of purpose, and a patriotic unselfishness that are almost unparalleled in history.

Now that it has been quietly laid away in its grave and the last notes of its funeral dirge have died away upon the ear, we should address ourselves seriously to the work of reform, restore the ancient landmarks, resurrect the lofty standards of the past, and strive again to make South Carolina the model State of the Union and Abbeville the model *District* of the State, as they were in the past. To do this will require years of patient, laborious, united effort. Instead of working with an eye single to the accomplishment of this purpose, we are allowing ourselves to be split up into factions, and to be drawn off into the discussion of dead issues. Prominent amongst these dead issues are the Bonded Debt question and the University question. These questions are settled, and happy will it be for us if the are agitated no more.

First, as to the Bonded Debt question.

At the last session of the Legislature, after much crimination and recrimination by the opposing parties, and after many hours of speech making at a cost of three hundred dollars an hour, a scheme was devised, a Court of claims was constituted, the three Judges were elected, and the whole matter was referred to them for adjudication, with full power and authority to act in the premises. We cannot tell what disposition they will make of it, but the State has made them her agents and will be bound by whatever they do. Surely the most blatant of demagogues would not attempt to take it out of their hands now, and common sense and common decency alike require that we should let it rest.

Next, as to the University question.

A Joint Resolution was passed at the extra session of the Legislature, as we are informed almost without opposition, appointing a commission to inquire into and devise plans for the reorganization of the University.

A Board of Trustees was elected composed of some of the best men in the State, and a well-considered bill was passed at the last session re-establishing the University, and is now a part of the law of the land. Governor Hampton is understood to be in favor of reopening the University as soon as possible, and would certainly veto an act seeking to repeal the act of the last Legislature. The signal failure of those who tried to pass an act over his veto at the last session, shows how hard it would be to secure the two-thirds vote necessary for that purpose.

Moreover, ample provision is made in the constitution of the State for the maintenance of the University. By reference to Article X, section 5, of the Constitution, ratified and approved January 26, 1878, it will be seen that there are two taxes provided for, first, "an annual tax of not less than two mills on the dollar," which "shall be held in the County Treasuries of the respective counties, and paid out exclusively for the support of the public schools as provided by law;" and second "an annual tax of one dollar on each poll, the proceeds of which tax shall be applied solely to educational purposes." The same section further provides that "the *school tax*, shall be distributed among the several school districts of the counties," &c.

While the constitution commands that the *school tax*, the two-mill tax, shall be held in each county and paid out exclusively for the support of public schools, it clearly contemplates that the poll tax, the tax for *educational purposes*, may be used, subject to the restrictions mentioned in the section, for the support of any educational enterprise or institution of learning, and especially of the University.

Furthermore, Article X, Section 9, of the constitution provides that the General Assembly shall provide for the maintenance of the State University, * * * and every member takes an oath to "support, protect and defend, * * * the constitution of South Carolina * *. No member can fail to vote for maintaining the University without violating his oath of office, and we confess to being unwilling to vote for a man who announces before hand his intention of doing that. There cannot be any issue on the University question, because, if the bill were not already passed it would have to be passed at the next session. The only way to get rid of the University is to amend the Constitution, and we are not prepared to believe that the sectarian colleges have enough friends to do it in that particular.

Let us devote our time and attention to building up our waste places; to elevating our State to something of the high standards of old; to devising plans and means for developing her material resources, to repressing social and political communism, and to reforming abuses that have crept into our body-politic—we shall have enough to do. We cannot afford to stir dying issues, and have no need to "descend into the charnel houses and amid the bones of the forgotten dead."

FAIR PLAY.

The Savannah Valley Railroad.

Editors Press and Banner:

MAGNOLIA, June 28, 1878.

When we wrote an article on this subject a few weeks ago, we had no idea that so soon, we would be called upon, to oppose another scheme of the taxing advocates, although the same but with another light upon it.

We were surprised when it was handed to us, that men, with as much intelligence as those who are leaders in this matter could assume as much brass, as they have done to try and induce the people to adopt this flimsy plan, it is.

That the principal of the bonds, will never be collected, but only the interest for four years, is answer to the question, why must we vote so much when so little will do they answer that they want to secure the Charter.

Let them secure the Charter by private subscription if it is not to be paid, but they know better than that, they know full well that if this tax is voted it will be beyond a doubt be collected.

We will prove that the advocates of this plan have no authority to say that these bonds will not be collected, and when they make any such promises they are promising something they cannot fulfill.

Article 3, of the Act chartering this road provides for the election of its officers, in the following manner:

"That when the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, $(200,000,)$ shall have been subscribed to the capital stock of the said company, the said corporators or a majority of them, shall within a reasonable time thereafter appoint a time and place for the meeting of said stockholders of which thirty days notice shall be given in such newspapers of the State as they may deem necessary at which time and place said stockholders shall proceed to the organization of said company by the election of a President and nine Directors."

No such meeting has been held, the two thousand dollars have not been subscribed, and of course there have been no such officers elected. There is no one Messrs. Editors who has the right to say what shall be done with the bonds accruing from the taxing scheme, but these officers, nor can any one promise what will be done with them when the officers are elected. The officers of the road when elected will have sole control of the bonds and they can do whatsoever they choose with them. They will need money to carry on the work on the road and we are not over stepping the bounds of reason when we say they will in all probability dispose of these bonds to raise the required funds, when one has passed from the hands of the road they have no more control over it.

Article 6, of the Act, gives the County Commissioners authority to subscribe to the capital stock of "such sum as a majority of the voters may authorize said subscription to be made in 7 per cent. in Coupon Bonds payable in twenty years after the date thereof" and Article 10 provides for their collection in the following manner.

The proper officer is required to assess annually upon the property of such township such per centum as may be necessary to pay said interest, Provided, that within ten years after the time said bonds shall fall due the money to pay the same shall be raised by taxation in the same manner, and paid out by the County Treasurer.

You will see by these quotations that the Railroad Company has nothing to do with the issuing or paying of these bonds. The County Treasurer is required each year to collect enough to meet each payment, on these bonds, it makes no difference who holds them if the Railroad holds them it makes no difference.

The bonds cannot be issued in any way so as to indicate that after the interest for four years has been paid they will be cancelled, they would conflict with the Charter of the road and consequently would invalidate them.

The only way to rid ourselves of this tax is to vote it down. We have shown very plainly that if the tax once voted it will be beyond a doubt collected every dime of it, even if all of the property in this township will have to be sacrificed.

All of our future prosperity is at stake, and on the 26 of July this scheme will be defeated by an overwhelming majority.

MAGNOLIA.

The Due West Democratic club met at Due West on Saturday, 29th, the following nominations were made:

Senate—J. C. Maxwell.

House of Representatives—R. R. Hemphill, W. K. Bradley, J. H. Rice, H. H. Harper, J. A. Robertson.

Probate Judge—J. Fuller Lyon.

School Commissioner—J. F. C. DuPre.

County Commissioners—G. M. Mattison, R. A. McCaslan, W. A. Black.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the action of Hon. D. Wyatt Aiken, our Representative in the Congress of the United States, and as an expression of our appreciation of his services recommend his renomination and election this fall to the same office.

Resolved, 2d. That in order that the citizens of Abbeville, may be enabled to act intelligibly in the coming election, we respectfully request all candidates for the Legislature to give a full and free expression of their views as to the reopening the State University.

Resolved, 3d. That this club as an expression of the services of J. W. Perrin, our present Treasurer, recommend to the Governor his re-appointment.

Resolved, 4th. That the nominations and resolutions be requested to be published in the *Press and Banner*.

A. C. CLINKSCALES,
Secretary, Pro Tem.

ABBEVILLE CO., S. C., June 29, 1878.

Editors Press and Banner:

We had the pleasure on last Saturday of attending a pic nic at Dr. Henry's Mills, on Beaver Dam Creek, Elberton county, Georgia. The day was clear and beautiful, the weather cool and pleasant. A speaker's stand had been prepared by the gentlemen of the vicinity and decorated by the ladies with a beautiful arch of evergreens. At eleven o'clock we were favored with a speech by Mr. P. R. Haws, the handsome and efficient Principal of the Heardmont Academy. His subject was, "Let us Live While we Live." He eloquently contemplated the possibility of his persuading one of the bright eyed ladies present to help him live. After the speech all partook of a bountiful dinner which had been provided by the hospitable people of the neighborhood. Dinner over, the time passed very pleasantly in conversation, playing croquet and promenading. Iced lemonade was furnished in abundance.

S. A. SPEED,
Lowndesville.

MT. CARMEL, S. C., June 18, 1878.

Calhoun's Mills Democratic club, will meet at Mt. Carmel on Saturday 29th instant, at two o'clock. The members are earnestly requested to turn out as there is business of importanceto attend to.

M. M. TARRANT,
Secretary.

Greenwood Democratic Club.

At a meeting of the Democratic club of Greenwood township, held last Saturday, the attendance being unusually large—the following resolutions offered by Mr. T. M. Dendy, were adopted:

WHEREAS, the interest of the State requires the services of the most practicable, as well as wisest and most prudent men in her Legislative councils; Therefore be it

Resolved, That we do nominate for the position of Legislator, W. K. Blake, Esq., and recommend him to our fellow citizens of Abbeville county as a gentleman specially fitted for such a position.

After the adopting of the above resolution Mr. Blake arose and said:

Mr. President and fellow-citizens—I thank you for the very flattering resolution you have just adopted, and I experience to you my extreme embarrassment in endeavoring to respond to it. The resolution is of no ordinary import. I was born and reared in your midst—a community distinguished for its intelligence, enterprise and public spirit. To be thus chosen and designated by you is, therefore, no ordinary distinction and he who would not be moved by such considerations is wanting in the essential elements of a worthy representative of yourselves. But, fellow-citizens, the resolution has a much broader import still. It points to the character of the citizens of Abbeville county. The representatives of a people reflect the character of that people—intellectual, moral and social. It is through their representative men that they become known to the world. The people honor therefore, as well as material interest, is in their keeping. The laws which they enact become material for their history, and thus are you to become known and read of all men through the acts and deportment of those whom you shall choose and delegate to your legislative councils. Who then could receive the announcement of your resolution without a feeling of embarrassment? He who takes a less exalted view of the character and responsibility of the position is devoid of every qualification for it, and fails to deserve the least consideration at the hands of the intelligent, fellowcitizens, for whom he seeks a place of a public nature. In deference to the claims of the public on others of whom we are proud, I beg to decline the very great honor which you have proposed to confer on me. There is something in my nature utterly averse to the requirement of a "candidate" in the popular sense of that term. Again thanking you I beg leave to refer the matter back to you.

After Mr. Blake had concluded Dr. M. C. Taggart offered the following which adopted unanimously.

Resolved,—That it is not the sense of this club to nominate more than one candidate for the General Assembly, but in appreciation of the fact that General McGowan commenced his career in Abbeville county, in this village and has filled various offices, both civil and military the duties of which he has discharged in such a manner as to reflect credit upon the county and honor upon himself. Therefore,

Resolved, That Greenwood club nominate, Samuel McGowan as a candidate for the Lower House of the General Assembly.

The Lowndesville Democratic Club.

The Lowndesville Democratic Club, met in Lowndesville, on last Saturday, 29th ult., to nominate candidates for the different county offices. After the usual business of the club was transacted, it was proposed to ballot for a representative in the State Legislature from the Savannah side of the county, which was done and which resulted in Col. H. H. Harper, being declared the nominee of this club. On motion of Dr. O. R. Horton, the nomination of Colonel Harper was made unanimous. The following nominations of other clubs for the Legislature and county offices were endorsed by this club.

Senate—J. C. Maxwell.

House—W. K. Bradley, S. McGowan, J. H. Rice, J. H. Rice.

Probate Judge—J. F. Lyon.

School Commissioner—J. F. C. DuPre.

County Commissioners—G. F. Burdett, W. B. Acker, T. M. Jay.

Coroner—S. W. Cochran.

The nomination of the fifth representative in the Legislature, was postponed till the next meeting of this club.

A very noticeable and encouraging feature of our meeting was the unusually large number of colored men members of our club who were present, all of whom voted and exhibited very great interest, in all its proceedings. If the presence of so many colored men is any indication, and we believe it is, as to how the colored people of the Lowndesville township, will vote at the election, on the 7th of November next, old Lowndesville will then give the largest Democratic vote that has ever been polled at that place, a vote that will give the death blow to Radicalism in Abbeville county.

At the close of the meeting, it being known that Captain J. H. Rice, was in town, a committee was sent for him, and when he appeared, he in a few well-timed and appropriate remarks, expressed his gratification at being present, and thanked the club, for its endorsement of his nomination.

After which the club adjourned, to meet 4th Saturday, in July.

H. H. HARPER, President.
J. W. HUCKABEE, Secretary.

Cokesbury Democratic Club.

HODGES, S. C.
July 1st., 1878.

Editors Press and Banner:

Thinking that a "dot" or two from Saluda Side might be read with some interest, we send you a few items.

The Cokesbury Democratic club met at Hodges Depot, last Saturday, 3 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing delegates to the County Convention, and making nominations.

The election of delegates passed off very quietly, the only developed the fact, that there was a considerable split in the camp. Messrs. F. A. Conner, J. M. Miller, W. A. Moore, W. Z. McGhee, M. L. McGhee, A. B. Ellis and T. J. Ellis were elected to represent the club at Abbeville.

The next thing in order was nominations. It had become evident that the nominations could not be made without protracting the meeting till a late hour of the night. It was consequently deemed advisable to postpone that important business. The cause of the "hitch," seems to have arisen from an attempt on the part of the friends of Capt. Jas. Cochran to run him against the members of the Cokesbury club, he, Capt. C. being a member of Long Cane club. The Cokesbury men thought it unfair to make the test at that time.

They expressed a willingness to give Capt. Cochran and his supporters a fair showing at the Primary Election, but were determined not to let him be run then, to the exclusion of their own man.

The scene which ensued when the anti-Cochran men made the determined stand, began description. It would be impossible to paint pandemonium. The calls of the chair for order, were treated with contempt or passed unheeded. For fifteen or twenty minutes the confusion was indescribable.

At last order prevailed, and after some warm debate, the club adjourned, to meet at 8 A. M. on the fourth Saturday, of the present month. The session will continue throughout the day. Polls will open and an election regularly held. The votes will be counted 8 P. M., of the same day. Much interest is felt as to the result.

Hon. F. A. Conner made an eloquent and convincing speech, vindicating himself from base imputations and aspersions unjustly cast upon him, by enemies during his absence. He is the right man in the right place, and the people are determined to make a herculean effort to keep him in the position which he has honored.

We care not to don the robes prophetic, but we feel justified in making the assertion, that Mr. Conner will receive the nomination from his club, by an overwhelming majority.

PUBLICUS.

DONNALDSVILLE, S. C., June 29, 1878.

Pursuant to a call of the President the Club assembled in special meeting. The meeting called to order by the President after reading minutes of last meeting a call was made and several names were added to the roll. An election for delegates to County Central Club resulted in the election of G. M. Mattison, J. E. Cowan, M. Erwin, Dr. G. J. Reid, J. W. Mattison, W. B. Acker, and J. C. Caldwell.

The Club make the following recommendations.

For Senate—Dr. J. C. Maxwell.

For House—R. R. Hemphill, W. K. Bradley, J. H. Rice, Gen. S. McGowan, J. P. Kennedy.

Judge of Probate—J. F. Lyon.

School Commissioner—J. F. C. DuPre.

County Commissioners—G. M. Mattison, R. A. McCaslan, G. Burdett.

After some discussion the Club resolved that in their judgment the pay of members to the General Assembly should be reduced to $3 per diem believing that amount to be fair and just, and would recommend that candidates express themselves on that point.

Resolved 1st. That we heartily endorse the administration of Gov. Wade Hampton and feel that by his wise, considerate, and conservative counsel, the country was saved from bloodshed and ruin, and the State of South Carolina, wrested from the hand of tyrants and from a government of ruinsul and crime which existed its existence.

Resolved, 2d. That the distinguished patriotism and world wide moderation exhibited upon the part of his Excellency Wade Hampton entitle him to the full confidence and support of every son of South Carolina, without distinction of race or color.

Resolved 3d. That we unanimously recommend the re-nominations of Wade Hampton for Governor, and W. D. Simpson for Lieutenant-Governor, believing them to be well suited to promote that peace and good government in South Carolina, which they have so nobly assisted to inaugurate.

Resolved 4th. That we heartily endorse the course pursued by Hon. D. Wyatt Aiken in U. S. Congress, and that we unanimously recommend him for re-election.

Club adjourned to meet 1st Saturday in August 2 o'clock p. m.

G. M. MATTISON, President.
J. W. MATTISON, Secretary.

School Pic-Nic.

Editors Press and Banner:

The public schools in Cokesbury Township closed on last Friday, and the patrons of Mrs. Q. F. Hodge's school gave a picnic at her school-house, some three miles above Hodges. The day was propitious and the attendance large.

The old men and matrons of the community honored the occasion and exercised a wholesome influence on the conduct of those present.

There was a fine turnout of young men and ladies, who spent the afternoon in a very pleasant hop.

The dinner was magnificent and abundant, typical of the industry thrift and large-hearted hospitality of that section.

The whole affair was a complete success and highly gratifying to all present, and especially so to Mrs. Hoages, in that it reflected the high personal regard the patrons have for her and the satisfaction she has given as the teacher of their children.

PARTICIPANT.

Smithville Democratic Club.

At a meeting of the Smithville Democratic club on the 26th of June it was

Resolved, 1. That the past conduct of the Honorable Senator J. C. Maxwell meets our hearty approval and we unanimously nominate him for re-election.

2. That we pledge our undivided support to Judge J. Fuller Lyon for re-election to the office of Judge of Probate.—

The ballot was spread for nominating members of the Legislature with the following results:

J. H. Rice 43, R. R. Hemphill 41, Gen. S. McGowan 37, H. H. Harper 37, W. K. Bradley 33.

GEO. W. COLLINS,
President.

GEO. P. E. WENCK,
Secretary.

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Salaries.

Editors Press and Banner:

Why is it that members of the Legislature who are always anxious to know the views of their constituents on almost every other subject, are independent and are governed only by earnest convictions of duty in the matter of voting themselves salaries?

VOTER.

To the voters of Magnolia Township. A meeting of the voters of Magnolia Township is hereby called to meet at Kilcy's Cross Roads on the 27th of July, at ten o'clock, to consider the matter of a tax to build a Railroad from Anderson to Augusta through the township of Magnolia. It is important that all the voters be present on that day.

VOTER.

CALHOUNS MILLS, S. C. July 1, 1878.

Calhoun Township Club, No. 1, are requested to meet at Mt. Carmel, Saturday, 6th July, at 9 o'clock, a. m. A full attendance of members is expected, as nominations will be made.

W. D. MARS,
Corresponding Secretary.

REV. J. O. LINDSAY, in the *A. R. Presbyterian*, writes an able article favoring lay preaching.

Mrs. John Knox died last night at half-past eight o'clock. Her funeral will take place this afternoon at four o'clock.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Susan E. DeBruhl, relict of Stephen C. DeBruhl, died at her residence in Abbeville S. C., greatly lamented by a large circle of friends, June 26th 1878, in the 69th year of her age.

Early in life she gave her heart to the Saviour and for more than a half-century her life was devoted to his service. Although for she had been for many years past, and improved thereby, it was to her a happy exchange, to leave the earthly house, and enter the building of God, the house not made with hands eternal in the heavens. It was nature's provision soon to die.

Mrs. DeBruhl was a worthy and valued member of the Methodist E. Church, but was united in spirit and affection with all who love the Lord Jesus. Lord and look for eternal life through him. It was refreshing to witness the kind attention bestowed, and the love evinced by christians of other denominations during her last sickness. Truly, the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Her many friends, who knew her intimately, lovingly testify to her truly christian character. In all the relations of life, she was a model woman—ever true to the claims of duty. Gentle of spirit, but firm of purpose, there was no weakness of character—no compromise of Christian principle. A prominent feature was her tender, motherly regard for her children, whose welfare she labored to promote to the extent of her ability. She looked well to the ways of her household and ate not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed. May they keep in remembrance her Christian virtues, emulate her example, and meet her in the home to which she is gone.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

ALSTON HOUSE.—J P Pichard, Cokesbury; Col H H Harper, Harpers Ferry; J E Bradley, Long Cane; J L Simpson, J B LeRoy, Lowndesville; C A C Waller, B Reynolds, Greenwood; B H Baker, Trotter Shoals; W F. Anderson, Calhoun Mills; Wm Purdy, L C Gleazon, Anderson; R L Winn, Santuck; Judson Rogers, Bold Branch; W D Mann, Mountain View; J E Brownlee, Antreville; S C Link, Miss Ella Link, Linkville; J F Wideman, P O; Rev C Pressley, H Wilson, Due West; O L Turner Hodges Depot; J Y Jones, George Berkin Lythgoe, City; T G Enright, Flat Woods; J DuPre, Rose Hill; F L Wilson, Fort Hickens, Mc D M Cuter, W H Bell, J M Gilles, The Fort; Col J W R Pope, Spartanburg.

MARKET REPORTS.

CORRECTED BY

Barnwell & Co.,

Cotton Buyers and Dealers in General Merchandise.

NEW YORK, June 29.—Cotton quiet; sales 80—uplands 11 1-16. Flour dull and in buyers favor. Wheat dull and heavy and 2@3c lower. Corn 1@1½c lower and moderately active. Pork steady, at 10.50. Lard firm—steam 7.22½. AUGUSTA, June 29.—Cotton dull and nominal—middling 10 3-16@c; receipts 38; weekly receipt 465; sales 198; stock 3,277.

CHARLESTON, June 29.—Cotton dull—middling 11; net receipts 12; weekly net receipt 179; sales 205; exports coastwise 149.

TO ARRIVE.

THE celebrated Gem Fruit Jars, at bottom prices.

EDWIN PARKER.

July 3d, 1878.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. L. W. White, B. S. Barnwell, W A. Templeton, E. A. Visanska and J Kurtz are hereby appointed members of the Board of Health and Inspectors of Town Lots for the present year and are requested, at an early day, to inspect all Lots, and require all rubbish, filth, &c., likely to cause sickness to be removed and report to Council such cases as they deem necessary.

Owners of Lots will please attend at once to having their Lots put in good order. A free use of Lime about premises is recommended.

By order of Council,

WM. H. PARKER,
Intendant T. C.

July 3, 1878, 2t.

Augusta, Knoxville and Greenwood Railroad.

ELECTION NOTICE.

PETITIONS from fifty land holders of each of the Townships of Greenwood, Smithville, White Hall, Indian Hill and Bordeaux in Abbeville County, addressed to the Commissioners of election of Abbeville county, asking that an election be ordered in each of said townships, the question submitted in said election "being whether or not said land-holders of said Township will subscribe to the capital stock of the Augusta, Knoxville and Greenwood Railroad the sum of one-half of one per centum" of the asssessed value of the real estate of said Township to be paid as other taxes are paid in the years 1878 and 1879—These Petitions, being found to be regular elections were ordered as follows:

GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP, at Greenwood, on Friday the 19th July, proximo.

Managers—S. B. Hodges, A. McNeill and John Ballards.

SMITHVILLE TOWNSHIP, at Evan's Mill, on Monday 22d July.

Managers—L. H. Rykard, Joel W. Lites, and Calvin Moragne.

WHITE HALL TOWNSHIP at White Hall, on Saturday, 20th July.

Managers—Vincent Griffin, T. J. Hearst, and Geo. R. Caldwell.

INDIAN HILL TOWNSHIP, at Chile's Cross Roads on Friday, 19th July.

Managers—John C. Chiles, A. B. Kennedy, and G. M. Sibert.

BORDEAUX TOWNSHIP at McKettrick's Mill on Saturday 20th July.

Managers—D. J. Wardlaw, Jas. H. Britt, and Green Calhaham.

The polls will be opened at each of the above specified times and places, at 9 o'clock a. m., and close at 5 p. m.

The ballots, either written or printed, must contain the words—"subscription" or "no subscription."

The managers will certify the result of election to J. W. Perrin, Chairman Board of Elections, Abbeville county, on or before Tuesday the 23d July, ensuing at 12 o'clock a. m.

J. W. PERRIN, Chairman.
JOHN T. PARKS,
JOHN WRIGHT,
Board of Elections.

June 19, 1878.

COLOGNES.

MONUMENTAL small bottles, 25cts
" " bottles, 50cts
Best German long bottles 80cts
at EDWIN PARKER.

June 19, 1878.

BEST FOOD

FOR Infants and Invalids, ready for use without boiling, or straining. A child deprived of its mother's milk, can only be fed properly, when the food given is equivalent in power to that of the mother's milk.

EDWIN PARKER.

June 19th 1878.

BARGAINS BARGAINS

—IN—

DRESS GOODS, White Piques, Millinery, Fancy Goods, &c., and ladies will do well to attend our CLOSING OUT SALE, before purchasing elsewhere, at the

EMPORIUM OF FASHIONS.

June 26, 1878.

MEDICAL.

For Horses, Mules and Cattle.

The undersigned have been appointed sole agents for the sale of "McCORD'S COLIC MIXTURE," an infallible cure for colic in horses mules or cattle. This preparation was patented June 30, 1869, and in the short time which has elapsed since has attained a reputation unequalled by any patented medicine on the globe. We have in our possession testimonials from numerous persons who have used it.

I have had two occasions to use McCord's Colic Mixture in cases that seemed desperate. The success in curing was apparently magical. It is administered without trouble or delay, is speedy in action, and I think is so valuable that every person who manages horses or mules should keep it at hand.

D. L. WARDLAW.

I saw Mr. McCord use his medicine on a mare that had been travelling, and was seized with cramp colic. The animal was dropping down frequently and in great pain. In a short time after the medicine was given—in ten minutes, at the farthest,—the animal was easier, and in an hour I saw the animal harnessed and driven off, and learned subsequently she performed the journey and had no more colic.

THOMAS THOMSON.

I have had one occasion to use McCord's Colic Mixture. It was very effective and I think is an excellent medicine.

S. McGOWAN.

For Sale at Abbeville by
W. T. PENNEY,
DR. E. PARKER.

For sale by T. Baker, Lowndesville, S. C., Dr. E. H. Edwards, Due West.

Have you Heard the News About Bequest?

Having had ten years experience as a liquor dealer, and being familiar with all the brands, besides having a practical knowledge of what is choice, he is fully able to supply all who wish a pure article either as a beverage or for medicinal purposes, of anything they desire in his line of goods, which consist of the following:

Rye Whiskey,	Port Wine,
Bourbon Whiskey,	Madeira Wine,
Corn, (sweet and sour mash,)	Sherry Wine,
Crystallized Corn,	Malaga Wine,
N. E. Rum,	Catawba Wine,
Centennial Rum,	Scuppernong Wine,
Old Crow Whiskey,	Claret Wine,
Scotch and Irish Whiskey,	Lincoln County Whs'y
Gin, Champagne, French Brandy.	fine imported

The above goods will be sold in quantities to suit purchasers, at prices from two to ten dollars a gallon.

Parties desiring Christmas supplies will do well to give me a call.

A. BEQUEST

HONEA PATH, S. C.
June 11th 1878.

ALLEN GAINS, left me on the 7th instant without cause or provocation. I FORBID any one to give him employment.

WILLIS WILSON.

June 19, 1878.

FOR CHILDREN.

Teethina or Teething Powder.

CURES cholera infantum, diarhea, dysentery, cholera morbus, colic hives, thrush, expels the worms upon the skin, removes and stops the generation of worms, allays irritation and makes teething easy, and not a period of suffering and dread. Price 50 cents at

DR. EDWIN PARKER.

June 12, 1878.

State of South Carolina.

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

In the Probate Court.

In the matter of the estate of Tabitha Radcliffe, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that Robert Hutchinson, Administrator of Tabitha Radcliffe, deceased, has applied to the Court of Probate for a final discharge.

It is ordered, That Thursday, the 30th of May, 1878, be fixed as the day for the settlement of said estate and discharge of the Administrator. Persons having claims will present them on or before that day.

J. FULLER LYON,
J. Pro. A. C.

May 1, 1878-4t

ELECTION NOTICE.

Whereas, petitions from fifty qualified voters in the townships of Lowndesville, Magnolia and Calhoun's Mills have been submitted to the Board of County Commissioners, requesting an election to be ordered in their respective townships, to decide the question of "subscription or no-subscription" to the capital stock of the Savannah Railroad Company, now therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That an election is hereby ordered in the township of Lowndesville, to be held in the village of Lowndesville on Friday the 26th July, next, at which election the question of subscribing the sum of fifty thousand dollars to the capital stock of the Savannah Railroad Company shall be decided by ballot. Said ballots shall have written or printed thereon either the word "Subscription" or "No Subscription" the following named citizens shall act as managers of said election: G. F. Burdett, J. J. Johnson and James T. Lathner.

2. That an election is hereby ordered in the Township of Magnolia, to be held at Tilley's Cross Roads on Friday the 26th July, next at which election the question of subscribing the sum of thirty thousand dollars to the capital stock of the Savannah Railroad Company, shall be decided by ballot. Said ballots shall have written or printed thereon either the work "Subscription" or "No Subscription." The following named citizens shall act as managers of said election: S. C. Riley, S. C. Link and Edwin Calhoun.

3. That an election is hereby ordered in the Township of Calhoun's Mills to be held at Calhoun's Mills on Friday the 26th day of July, next, at which election the question of subscribing the sum of thirty thousand dollars to the capital stock of the Savannah Railroad Company shall be decided by ballot. Said ballots shall have written or printed thereon either the word "Subscription" or "No Subscription." The following named citizens shall act as managers of said election: W. D. Mars, W. P. Kennedy and S. R. Morrah.

4. That the polls for said election shall be opened at 9 o'clock, a. m., and stand opened until 5 o'clock p. m.

5. That the managers before opening the polls shall be sworn to conduct the election fairly and impartially and are hereby required to report the result of the election to this office, on the following Tuesday the 30th July by 12 m. By order of the Board.

G. M. MATT