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J. A. GAMEWELL,
Secretary of Faculty.

July 1, 1896, tf

Sheriff's Sale.

R. E. Hill, as Judge of the Court of Probate for Abbeville County, against William P. McGee, Michael B. McGee and Jesse S. McGee.—Execution.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION TO ME directed in the above-stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville Court House, South Carolina, on Monday the third (3rd) day of August, A. D. 1896, all the right, title and interest of Jesse S. McGee in the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Cokesbury township, Abbeville County, State of South Carolina, known as the late homestead of Jesse S. McGee, containing Two Hundred and Fifty (250) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of T. R. Blackwell, Lucy J. Mars, S. C. Merriman, J. H. Bramlett, and others.

Also, all the right, title and interest of Michael B. McGee in the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Cokesbury township, in the County of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, containing One Hundred and Forty-Four (144) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of S. O. Harvey, D.S. Jones, H. C. Henderson, and others.

Levied on and to be sold as the property of Jesse McGee and Michael B. McGee to satisfy the aforesaid Execution and costs.

Terms—Cash. F. W. R. Nance,
July 13, 1896. Sheriff Abbeville Co.

OUR DEAD.

THE NATURAL PROMPTINGS OF THE human heart goes out in tenderness for the dead, and we show respect for ourselves by giving a decent burial to our friends as they go out from amongst us.

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The secret of growing old gracefully is found in the grace of God.

Good manners should form an important part of every man's religion.

The life that is parallel with God's purpose is perpendicular to the world.

What can gold do for a man who can see nothing precious in the twenty-third psalm?

If a man will reduce his faults, he will find that at the same time he is also reducing his expenses.

AMONG THE TROJANS.

Protracted Meeting--Deaths—Pleasant Campaign Meeting.

Troy, S. C., Aug. 10, 1896.

Protracted services will begin here in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church next Friday 14th, at 8:30 p. m. There will be two services during the day. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. J. S. Moffat, of Chester, S. C.

Mr. T. M. McCaslan went up to Madden's Saturday.

Dr. H. L. Culbertson and family from Amity, Ga., passed through here last Wednesday enroute to Laurens to attend a reunion of the Culbertson family. They returned here today and will spend some time with Mr. J. S. Burnett and family. The Doctor says there were 200 at the reunion. Quite a generation.

Mr. T. O. Taggart, a popular conductor on the south bound road, is in Troy resting and visiting the home folks.

Mrs. J. A. Harris and children, of Abbeville, and Miss May Rogers, of Augusta, are Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harris pleasant guests.

Mrs. J. S. Jay and Master Eddie, and Little Ethel from Greenwood are down enjoying the pure fresh air in our town.

Mrs. William Bowick, after a long illness from cancer, died here last Wednesday. She was buried at Long Cane. Rev. R. F. Bradley preached her funeral. She leaves a husband and four daughters who need the prayers and sympathy of the community.

Dr. G. P. Neel, of Greenwood, made a professional visit here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bradley, and Mrs. J. N. Dendy, Mr. T. C. Lites spent several days in Greenwood last week.

The Misses Devore from Kirkseys are visiting Miss Jennie Horn.

Miss Bell Cresswell, an A. R. P. Sabbath School scholar here has asked and answered perfectly the Shorter Catechism beginning at the last question and going to the first. We wonder how many her age can do this. She is one of our brightest scholars.

George Pope, better known as "uncle Pope" a well thought of, and we might say the main stay in Troy in the way of a servant, after suffering from several attacks of paralysis died Saturday. He will be missed in our town. He has raised a family of well behaved children, and although he was a negro the white people went to see him every day and ministered to his wants. It was a large funeral procession that followed the hearse to the colored cemetery yesterday.

Miss Annie Barksdale, from Abbeville, is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Reagin.

Well, our campaign meeting passed off pleasantly and quietly. The speeches were all good. Some, of course, were better than others, we will forbear to say. We also attended the one at Bradley, the citizens had built a nice platform decorated with evergreens and flowers. There were nice seats and a big crowd of ladies, who by the way, seem to be interested in politics. The ladies of the A. R. P. church had a most bountiful and we say the nicest dinner for all, and all enjoyed it. The refreshments were delightful, and certainly for the money you got value received pressed down and running over. We were royal set up by the good folks of Bradley and vicinity for which we extend many thanks, and hope to return the favor in part at least. While there we had the pleasure of meeting many friends among whom was Maj. J. L. White, of Verdery. Candidates if you want help in the way of getting elected he is the man you are looking for.

Another cutting scrape at Mr. H. D. Pressln's, both colored. Dr. L. N. Kennedy was called to sew up the wounds. We haven't heard the particulars.

Miss Rosabel Smart went to Greenwood this morning.

WITHIN COLLEGE WALLS.

Boys Resume Work in Earnest—The Sick are Convalesing—Instructive Talk.

Clemson College, Aug. 10, 1896.

After two weeks vacation we are again back at college with about thirty or thirty-five new cadets.

The regular exercises began last Tuesday morning.

Several of the Professors with families spent their vacation in the mountains. And the single ones went home and to see their sweethearts.

Mr. John Calhoun is at home on a short vacation.

Hon. George Tillman came up last Monday.

All the boys report a pleasant vacation, and judging from the racket they made coming up we will accept their word.

All the rooms except the ones on the first and third floors, south wing, have been wainscoated.

We are glad to report the sick boys very much improved, and by taking care of themselves will be up in a week or two.

The friends of Mr. DuPre will be glad to know that he is better and improving very fast.

Hon. George D. Tillman, one of the Board of Visitors made an interesting and very instructive talk to the boys last Thursday morning. Subject: "Winter grasses and forage plants." He has studied and experimented with three or four hundred different grasses since he began farming and is well up on that line. He talked for one hour and ten minutes and ended by paying a few compliments to the boys and college.

The Board of Trustees held their annual meeting last Wednesday night.

Anybody wishing to see a pretty place or to send his son to a good college should pay Clemson a visit.

The Board decided to give us one month vacation in the summer cutting the session down to nine months.

Miss Sallie Calhoun, of Monterey, is visiting her cousins the Misses Calhoun of this place.

There were only twenty-eight of the boys that staid here during vacation. They worked part of the time and some made as high as two dollars per day.

On account of the weather being so hot we had no drill last week. Guess.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

The County Board Makes Important Appointments.

In accordance with the "New School Law," the County Board makes the following appointments to serve as School Trustees for term of two years:

Ninety-Six No. 1—Capt. James Rogers, Jr., J. N. Lipscomb, B. P. Pinson, Ninety-six.

Greenwood No. 2—Capt. J. B. Sample, J. L. Hughey, Greenwood; J. D. Fooshe, Coronaca.

Cokesbury No. 3—Dr. S. T. Lee, Cokesbury; J. A. McCord, J. F. Hodges.

Donnalds No. 4—W. J. Donnald, J. C. Martin, Donnalds; S. J. Burts, Honea Path.

Due West No. 5—M. G. Donnald, J. W. Ellis, M. B. Clinkscales, Due West.

Long Cane No. 6—D. P. Hannah, Hodges; A. T. McIlwain, Abbeville; H. G. Smith Donnalds.

Smithville No. 7—P. D. Klugh, J. T. Davis, Greenwood; R. D. Purdy, Verdery.

White Hall No. 8—A. J. Pounds, Bradley; Teos. J. Hearst, Verdery; Dr. P. H. Adams, Phoenix.

Indian Hill No. 9—F. A. Cook Esq., J. W. Young, J. C. Kenedy, Troy.

Cedar Spring No. 10—A. T. Brown, A. K. Watson, Hunters; G. H. Wardlaw, Abbeville.

Abbeville No. 11—P. A. Cheatham, C. R. Richie, A. W. Reed, Abbeville.

Diamond Hill No. 12—A. M. Erwin, R. A. Haddon, L. P. Harkness, Antreville.

Lowndesville No. 13—S. F. Epps, S. S. Boles, D. T. Simpson, Lowndesville.

Magnolia No. 14—D. W. Thomas, Watts; J. W. Boyd, Mt. Carmel; G. W. Speer, Monterey.

Calhoun No. 15—P. H. McCaslin, Wideman; J. O. Hemminger, Link; W. W. Black, Mt Carmel.

Bordeaux No. 16—J. B. Harmon, Perry Holloway, McCormick; J. L. Gibert Bordeaux.

Greenwood Special No. 18—C. A. C. Waller, T. F Riley, J. L. Kerr, Greenwood.

Abbeville Special No. 19—W. A. Templeton, F. B. Gary, Jones F. Miller, Abbeville.

Mt. Catmel Special No. 20—Rev. A. L. Patterson, W. L. Miller, J. H. Morrah, Mt. Carmel.

Sharon Special No. 21—J. T. Cheatham, Nicholas Schram, R. W. Cnox, Abbeville.

McCormick Lpecial No. 23—Dr. J. P. Robinson, T. J. Price, N. G. Brown, McCormick.

Willington Special No. 24—R. F. Morris, J. A. Leroy, J. F. Palmer, Link.

The above named boards will meet as early as possible and organize, by electing one of their number chairman, and another clerk of the Board. After subscribing to the oath of officecommissions will be forwarded to each trustee. If any one who has been appointed as trustee cannot serve, he will please notify County Board at once

July 7, 1896. W. T. MILFORD.
J. C KLUGH.
B. F. BAILEY.
County Board of Education for Abbeville County. tf.

FREE ADVERTISING.

Are Colleges and Candidates to Take Possession of the Newspapers?

As a rule the newspapers are generous to the colleges as well as liberal to the politicians, and they are seldom reluctant to be of service to either when the occasion offers.

As a rule both colleges and politicians have been square and fair, and have been willing to pay reasonable charges, but it seems to us that some colleges, and some politicians, expect a little too much of this newpaper.

Some weeks ago we received notice from Furman University that that institution had scholarships to give away, which notice we were requested to publish. When the bill was received for the same the following answer came back:

Greenville, S. C., Aug 7, 1896.

Mr. Hugh Wilson, Jr., Abbeville, S. C.

My Dear Sir:—I have received your bill for printing our locals. Thinking there must be an oversight, I write to explain. The matter which I sent you was not at all in the nature of an "Ad." We have never paid for the insertions of them, and I have sent them for the past three years to the papers throughout the State. It was merely information for the benefit of the people of your county, and I thought as such you would be glad to print it for us. Kindly let me hear from you.

Yours very truly,
Chas. L. Durham, Sec.

OTHER COLLEGES PAY — FURMAN SHOULD DO THE SAME.

An institution that is so well off as to be able to give scholarships, it occurs to us, has reached that degree of prosperity that it should be able and willing to pay to have the same advertised. Erskine College, Due West Female College, South Carolina College, and a dozen other colleges pay for their advertisements and we see no reason for making an exception of Furman.

WISDOM OF THE LITTLE PEANUT LEGISLATURE.

When Mr. Durham says he has "never paid for the insertion" of such notices, we are impressed with the wisdom of the little Peanut Legislature that proposed to pay the least possible amount to printers. We believe it was the same Legislature, however, which piled up the costs and business for lawyers by requiring creditors to go into court to foreclose mortgages.

Last Summer we received from a life-long friend an account of the commencement at some of the Greenville colleges—a matter in which our people were not interested—but which was published because of its source. While we would not think of charging for publishing such articles, yet it is safe to say the expense of type-setting any future account of Greenville commencement will be paid for by some one else than the editor of the Press and Banner.

MORE CHEEK.

Some politicians seem to have no limit to their presumption in making drafts on the newspapers. Within the last few days we have had an unusual number of applications from candidates for the publication of matters of interest to themselves, but as in the case of Furman University, there was a backwardness or timidity about proposing to pay the necessary expense. They actually wanted the editor of the Press and Banner to incur the expense for setting up the type of their speeches, and then expected him to print the same in his newspaper, merely for the health of the editor, or just for the fun there was in it—to the candidate.

This newspaper is friendly to everybody who is friendly to its editor, and we think the files of the paper will prove that this newspaper has always been ready to do a reasonable favor for any friend, but when friends expect us to pay out several dollars for the privilege of publishing a speech in which neither we nor our readers are especially interested, we must decline, and perhaps we would not now mention the fact, except for that other fact, that the generosity of men who may be in the business for the fun of currying favor with politicians is always quoted to us, even as Furman University does. We take the ground that it is the business of the politicians to cultivate the printing offices, if they want their favors. We do not propose to cultivate them by paying out money to print their speeches in the hope that the lucky candidate for Congress will pay us back for all that we have done for all the candidates by sending us ten cents worth of last year's seeds from the agricultural department.

ANOTHER INSTANCE.

A candidate for a State office who had been strongly endorsed by his home people, and by letters from well known citizens, had these endorsements printed on a slip and sent to us with the intimation that he would like to see them in this paper. This candidate is a good friend of ours and we are a good friend to him. The people of Abbeville County will likely give him a strong vote. This editor will certainly vote for him. But this friend forgot to enclose the necessary amount to cover the actual outlay for typesetting, and we can't afford to pay a dollar, or any other amount, to boost any candidate, unless there be circumstances warranting or demanding it.

DRAWING THE LINE.

To be able to draw the line where charges should be made is sometimes a difficult one, but there is a safe rule by which such matters can be settled satisfactorily to this office, at least. **The man who is most interested should pay the expense.**

Sometimes this editor prints some of his own writing. In such instances, he always pays the expense.

In like manner, if any speaker is more interested in seeing his speech in print than we are, then, he ought to pay the expense. If, however, the editor propose to print it, then he—and not the speaker—should pay it.

In publishing a speech or other matter that is of personal interest the fact that it may also have some interest to the general public should not be overlooked. In cases of this sort we think only a small charge, say $5, should be made to cover the actual outlay. If a speaker, or a candidate, is not willing to pay the actual expense of publishing a speech, the printer who would do so at the request of another—and not upon his own motion—doesn't lack much of being a ,natural born fool—or to put it more mildly he may be akin to the man who has been described so appropriately in these words: "A fool and his money is soon parted."

General Grant.

A good anecdote of this distinguished President of the United States was related by General Fisk, who said:—"I was sitting with General Grant and a number of others, when an officer high in rank rushed in, shouting, 'O, boys, I've such a good story to tell you! There are no ladies present, I believe?' 'No, but there are gentlemen present,' was the curt reply of Grant. The story was not told."

Mrs. Bishop Wightman has given to Bishop Hurst for the American University an autograph letter of John Wesley, written March 31, 1790, the closing paragraph of which is; "As soon as possible you should put the Believers in Bands and introduce ye whole Methodist Discipline. But, I pray, do not introduce slouched hats; let us not imagine Clowns or Quakers. Next to the Bible, I love Common Sense. Therefore I wd never be singular for singularity sake. I am, dear Billy, your affectionate Friend and Brother, J. Wesley. Beware of women."

The peaceful Mennonites of Pennsylvania, who believe that Christians ought not to take oaths, hold public offices, or render military service, have a curious way of electing their bishops. There were three candidates for a recent vacancy. Three Bibles, in one of which was a slip of paper, were placed on the pulpit of the "meeting-house." Each woul-be Bishop took a Bible, and the one who secured the white slip was declared duly elected.

War in every case must be deemed the triumph or the harvest of the first great murderer, the devil.

THE COTTON MILL.

The Work Still Progressing Satisfactorily.

Without attempting to forecast the future, the outlook for the Abbeville Cotton Mill is satisfactory.

The smoke stack, which is 150 feet from the base, or 158 feet from the ground, is perfectly plumb, and has not, as yet, settled one particle. It is made of the hardest brick—not a single salmon brick being in it.

Mr. Long is actively at work on the cottages, and some of the frames are already on their foundations.

The brickwork on the third story of the mill is progressing nicely, and Captain Cagle thinks that he will get the roof on the house by the first of next month.

The building is first class in every respect, and it is hoped that the machinery will be here on time.

The following are some of the estimates in round numbers.

Not counting the engine and the room, the Mill house proper is 244 feet by 102 feet. A half basement below, and three full stories above.

Cost of Mill house (exclusive of brick	$42,000
Architect's plans	2,500
Brick	10,000
Purchase of land	4,000
Forty cottages	12,000
Warehouse, and additional houses	10,000
The engine and boilers	21,000
Foundation for engine	1,700
Northrop looms	43,000

These are only some of the items and the figures approximate their cost. The Mill house, the cottages, land and the machinery will run up to, say, $230,000. It is estimated that the freight on the material to build the Mill will amount to between $5,000 and $6,000. The freight on the material for the cottages will possibly be over $1,500.

The G., C. & N. Railway has built a sidetrack from the main line to the Mill, a spur going in front and one in rear of the structure. The sidetrack leaves the main line opposite the Fair Ground Spring. Since putting in the track to the Mill, the railroad folk have demanded the right of way for fifty feet on either side of the sidetrack. To grant that request would be to yield up about three-fourths of the Mill. It would carry one end wall and both side walls, thus giving the road the right to destroy the Mill, while we would be surrendering our own right to build a warehouse on the side of the track.

The unreasonableness of the request leads some of us to doubt the business capacity of the authorities of the G., C. & N. railroad. Of course none of the directors would for one moment consider a proposition so monstrous. Speaking for one of the directors, the Railroad might take up their old sidetrack before he would consent to write himself down as an ineffable idiot.

The evident friendship of the G., C. & N. and the apparent indifference on the part of the Southern people had as much as anything else to do in the location of the Mill more than a year ago. The Mill is located, but the G., C. & N. has not the institution by the throat, and it will be useless for that corporation to undertake any of its oppression. We leave it for others to say if the road did not perform the baby act in offering to give us $1,000, and then by specious claims, induce the Cotton Mill, under a misapprehension, to surrender half the gift.

The Meteoric Shower in 1833.

"It was certainly not only the privilege of a life-time, but of a millennium to be an eye witness of such a stupendous and resplendent spectacle." So says Rev. W. J. Scott, of Atlanta; and so say I, who was eight years old at the time of its occurrence, Nov. 13, 1833, though a septuagenarian in 1896. Perhaps all persons have seen at times a darting meteor shoot across the sky, leaving a streak of light in its course. Multiply such a scene by the number of stars visible in the clearest night, and then multiply this by the moments and you have a grand product indeed. Such was the spectacle on the night in question. The "falling star," as my boyish fancy took them to be, were descending in all parts of the heavens, as if the whole crop of stars were shaken down at once, to be followed by another crop each moment of time. Truly it was a most magnificent scene, as the hour slowly wore away, till Aurora paled the meteors's light and the "king of day" shut out the view forever!

Astronomers have much to say about this unparalleled exhibition. We do not propose in this paper to enter into their disquisitions and speculations on the subject, but to show some effects the phenomenon produced among the children of men on that occasion. Under the impression that the day of final judgment had come, many persons were strangely wrought upon. One good woman left her home, and with hasty steps made for the grave yard, a quarter of a mile away, shouting hallelujah as she ran and exclaiming, "Now I shall see my children rise, and we'll go to glory together."

Thousands were reported as having been led to prayer, and some conversions occurred, followed in after years by a holy life and a happy death. Some were thrown into convulsions and in rare instances death ensued. A rich slave-holder was reported to have been aroused by the noisy tumult among his hundred negroes, some shouting and others frantic with terror. Alarmed himself, he resorted to strategem to compose his people: "Uncle Joe, you are a preacher, do you watch the 'seven stars' and the 'ell and yard,' and when you see them fall, come into the 'big house,' and we 'will have a word of pray.'"

A merchant, well-known to the writer, had broken with his partner in business. There was a fearful want of agreement in their accounts. But when he saw the heavens aglow, he got out the ledger, saying, "I and Nick must settle; I and Nick must settle!" As he passed out of his door he met his lame negro, Jim, and said, "Jim, you are free, yes, Jim, you are free." And on he went to settle with his late partner. This he did speedily by correcting some false entries he had made. But when morning came, and the sun shone out as at other times, he again met Jim and said, "Jim, the weather is cold, you had better go to the woods and cut a few loads; the wagon will be out by-and-by." Nick, however, was happy over his settlement.

The best portion of a good man's life is his little nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love.

Therefore, let every youth aim, first of all and most of all, at self-mastery. Without it he must be base and miserable. With it he cannot but be happy. Without it other things are but "gifts of the evil genit, which are curses in disguise."

Christianity is a fine inoculation, a transition of healthy blood into an anaemic or poisoned soul. No fever can attack a perfectly sound body; no fever of unrest can disturb a soul which has breathed the air or learned the ways of Christ.

Lord, I know not what I ought to ask of thee; thou lovest me better than I can love myself. O my Father, give to thy child that which he knows not how to ask. I dare not pray either for crosses or consolations. See and do according to thy tender mercy.

A Blessed.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

"Who are they, mamma? Must we live in small houses and wear poor clothes to be fit for heaven?"

"Let me tell you, Alice, what I saw while visiting one winter in one of our large cities. I was passing a very beautiful church one Sunday where hundreds of children were entering the Sunday school rooms. I noticed one timid, thinly-clad girl, perhaps nine years old, looking wistfully toward the door of the primary room.

"Many children hurried past her and entered the building. Presently a richly-dressed girl walk briskly by me. When she came near the child she hesitated, then said: 'You are a stranger here, are you not? Were you coming to our Sunday-school?' The child nodded 'Yes,' but seemed to shrink away from the well clad speaker. 'Come with me, then. What is your name? Nellie? That is a lovely name. Would you mind carrying my muff? Put both hands in it. Now, I can carry my books much better. Let's hurry in, as the bell will ring very soon,'

"They hastened into the primary room, and I followed them. I saw her keeping closely to the waif's side as they possed through the crowd of children, and heard her say, 'My name is Nettie Gray.' Then she introduced her charge to the teacher, who clasped the little cold hand lovingly, and bid Nettie take her near the register and acquaint her with the rules of the class-room.

'I noticed some little girls laugh and point at the stranger's thin calico dress, plaid shawl, and summer hat, then draw their warm winter clothes away from her as she sat down near them. The lesson was about the love of Jesus for children. The stranger listened with parted lips to the new story—to her that their teacher explained in earnest, simple language.

"Pointing to the bright picture of Jesus blessing little children, she told them how He lived upon earth to teach children, as well as the elders, how to live aright; that He was in heaven to be their intercessor, as well as their teacher's, and that every child's prayer was as dear to Him as a minister's, teachers, or any other grown up person's. No matter how poor the garments, or poverty-stricken the home, He loves every little girl or boy just as He did while on earth, when the disciples wanted the children to go away, fearing they would trouble the dear Jesus. He sees all that they do, in the house and out of doors, or wherever they are, and how we act toward each other at school, or church, or at our homes. How careful we should be not to make the loving Christ sorry! Yes, He loves every child, but He loves best those who give their hearts.

"After the closing exercises, when all were dismissed, Nettie still cared for the little stranger's comfort. She whispered to her to put both hands within the muff, and when they reached the street, drew her within the shelter of her warm cape, as she noticed the icy wind made the thinly-clad child shiver.

"Then she questioned her about her home, and told her that her mamma and she would come very soon to see her sick mother.

"When they parted near Nellie's home, the waif looked into the face of her new friend very lovingly, and said: 'You look just like the angel in the church window, the one that is kneeling, as is praying, close to Jesus. I know you're a relation of His, you're that good and kind, and I'm going to pray to Him soon's I get home, and I'm going to ask Him to love you better and better every day. I know He'll do it. I don't care if my elothes are poor, and some of the girls laugh at my old hat, I'm going to that Sunday-school every Sunday' cause you're there. I want to grow like you, and then Jesus will take me in His arms some day, just like He did the children in the lesson picture."

"Oh, mamma, I see," said little Alice, "although Nettie had lovely clothes, she had the Bible 'poor in spirit' also. And if Nellie had poor clothes and not a very nice home, she will have the 'spirit' pretty soon, I think. Then they can both have the 'kingdom of heaven' for theirs some day."

Bryan and Silver.

We have been requested to publish the following:

The National Campaign now begun will be of more absorbing interest than any since 1876. The contest will extend to every State South and West, and Massachusetts will be as debatable ground as Michigan. The Democratic standard bearer, William J. Bryan, will take the flag of Free Silver into the very citadels of Gold, and from first to last the struggle will be sensational. There will not be a dull week from now until November.

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Robt. S. Link, P. M.

The County Democratic Executive Committee has appointed the following places and times for the candidates for Congress and Solicitor to address the people, viz:

Lowndesville, July 31st.
McCormick, August 1st.
Abbeville, C. H. August 3rd.
Greenwood, August 4th.

Wm. N. Graydon,
Chairman Sub Committee.

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All kinds of dressed lumber at lowest prices

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MAJ. W. T. CHANDLER,
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July 29, 1896, 5t Principals.

NOTICE.

SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE,
Abbeville County.
July 21, 1896.

WILL BE LET TO THE LOWEST BIDder on

August 18th,

at 9 o'clock A. M., the building of bridge over Rocky River near Antreville. Plan made known on day of letting.

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Abbeville, S. C., July 13, 1896.

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