The Press and Banner

ABBEVILLE, S. C.

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Two Sides.

The State replies to our reasons for supporting the dispensary. In the replies our contemporary makes good reading, but it seems to us that he errs in many of his answers, but we give our readers the benefit of hearing both sides. Not knowing better how to make it plain, we have set The State's replies leaded, and our own reasons solid.

After all, it comes back to the standpoint from which the question is viewed. As we see it, the law is good. As our contemporary sees it, it is bad.

All that our contemporary says of "blind tigers," would be of ten times more force, if we had prohibition. Governor McSweeney has a small army of constables whose business it is to look after the blind animals. Are they incompetent, or do they wink the other eye?

The blind tiger business in this community is insignificant, and the dispensary is giving abundant satisfaction.

As soon as they think we are getting too much liquor they will favor a movement to have the institution opened later in the day and closed earlier in the evening.

At present we know of very little opposition to the law in Abbeville.

Didn't Insult Factory People.

The effort of some most excellent people to take charge of other people's children, by refusing to allow them to work in cotton mills, was properly killed in the Senate by a vote of 29 to 8. The bill didn't come up in the House. The solicitude of people who have no children as to the welfare of other people's children is natural. Childless people, as a rule, know more about governing and caring for children than do their mothers. The proposed law was class legislation, and should be offensive to every self-respecting operative in any cotton mill. Any idea that the control of poor children should be taken away from their mothers is monstrous. The friendship and anxiety of intermeddlers is not to be compared with the love and tenderness of a mother. The tendency of too many mothers is to work too much themselves, and to require too little help from their children. Work may be a very bad thing for anybody, and few of us would work, if we could help it. It is the rarest thing for a mother will overwork her children.

Prof. Wallace's History.

Professor W. E. Mikell, University of Pennsylvania, contributes to the Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, a review of Professor D. D. Wallace's Constitutional History of South Carolina, from which we make the following extract:

"Professor Wallace's Constitutional History of South Carolina from 1725 to 1775 forms the first part of a history of that State from 1725 to 1810. The volume deals with the constitution of the colony under the Royal Government; with the Stamp Act; the relations of the Commons and Council; the appropriation of the public money; and the attempt of the Commons to abolish the legislative character of the Council. It therefore will be seen that the author has merely blazed his path; the constructive work is yet to be done.

"Mr. Wallace has undertaken a task, the successful accomplishment of which will be welcomed by all who are interested in South Carolina, and in the constitutional history of our states generally; he has brought to bear on the task an evident love of his subject, and commendable industry in his search for facts."

The Press and Banner regards the book as the best publication of the kind that we have ever seen, and Professor Wallace has done a good work for his State in publishing it.

Wild Cow.

Last Friday the gyrations of a wild cow afforded danger and amusement for street-goers and curious people. For a time her running afforded pleasure, but in a little while she became the subject of more or less anxiety. She had a long rope to her horns [illegible] towards different persons as if [illegible] gore, and one or two or three [illegible] knocked down. Those at whom she [illegible] erally proved that they were fleet of foot. Toward the close of the show, the cow suffered greatly from blows of all sorts. When she was down on her back, and when her feet were held, she was kicked [illegible] by persons who did not know what [illegible]. Her feet were tied, and from [illegible] abuse or beating she was pretty well worn out, and taken off.

Water Goes Up.

Last Friday while the work of filling the standpipe was going on, a section of the main split open near the Seaboard Air Line depot, and for a little while the water flew high in the air, dissipating into spray and coming down in such form and manner as to make an interesting sight. The city plumber, Mr. C. P. Hammond, has a special fondness for handling accidents, and with wrench and other implements he reduced the volume and soon closed the show, to which no tickets had been sold, or given away. The whole performance was extra, and up to the appearance of Mr. Hammond, nothing of it was on the bills.

Good Friend to Abbeville.

Mr. J. B Harmon gives a most cheerful account of the prospects of McCormick. The people there rejoice in the establishment of an oil mill, and, feasting upon the good results of an oil mill, their appetite is whetted for a cotton mill, which is a possibility. No better place for a mill can be found. Mr. Harmon is a good friend to McCormick, but next to McCormick he is a good friend to Abbeville.

Meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

The regular monthly meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held on Tuesday, February the sixth, at Mrs. F. E. Harrison's, at 12 o'clock. Business of importance will be discussed, and all members are urged to attend and to be punctual.

Lucia W. Parker, President.

Prosperous Merchant.

Mr. C. M. Clinkscales, of the firm of Clinkscales Bros., Lowndesville, was on our streets last week. His firm is one of the most prosperous in that section of the county, and they deserve the good fortune that is coming that way. Attentive to business, obliging in their dealings, success will come and abide with them.

Good Citizen.

Mr. James T. Latimer, of Lowndesville, was in town last week. He is a brother of Congressman Latimer who serves this District so well in Washington, and is himself a most excellent citizen, a good merchant, and a useful member of the church.

Cabbage Plants.

Prepare your ground at once for cabbage plants, as I will be receiving them now weekly. Succession and Wakefield are the varieties.

Very Respectfully,
C. P. Hammond.

Oysters and Fish.

When you want oysters and fish go to Thos. Thomson. I have them always on hand. Telephone 69.

Wanted.

School and County claims. G. W. Lomax.

Melissa Williams, colored, who lives on Dr. Johnson's place near Lowndesville, suffered considerable loss by fire on last Thursday, including a bale of cotton weighing 500 pounds, 60 bushels of corn, 40 gallons of molasses. This is the third fire at that place in less than four years.

Mrs. Ivy Perrin Gass, and her children, are visiting Mrs. L. C. Haskell.

Dr. T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention, will fill the pulpit at the Baptist church next Sunday.

I have a small lot of nice country hams. Amos B. Morse.

Lots of new Spring Goods at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery and more arriving daily.

CONTRIBUTED LOCALS.

What "M" Sees and Hears on His Rounds About the City.

Abbeville, S. C., Jan. 31, 1899.

SHORT STOPS AND CLIPPINGS.

The blizzard struck us last Monday morning in quite a "breezy" way.

It's said an open January brings a rough February, which prediction if true, will bring us hard weather the coming month.

WORK FOR FEBRUARY.

February is the time to begin your garden work, prune grape vines and fruit trees, renew strawberry beds, dress asparagus beds, and plant irish potatoes during "dark moon," sow small seeds in hot-beds, look out for pack peddlers, and knock book agents in the head.

During this year there will be three eclipses, two of the sun and one of the moon. First, a total eclipse of the Sun May 28th, visible throughout North America, Europe, and Africa. Second Partial eclipse of the Moon, June 12th, visible over the United States. Third, Annual eclipse of the Sun, Nov. 22, visible only on the opposite side of the earth.

NEXT MONDAY IS SALES-DAY.

Court of General Session will convene here next Monday week 12th inst.

Today (Wednesday 31st.) is the last day for the payment of taxes without penalty.

Make no delay, but make your tax returns at once; see Auditor's notice.

London is in gloom and grief on account of recent defeats. The Boers are meeting the British hilt to hilt, and thus far holding their own.

DEWEY'S EPIGRAMS.

Great Crises make great men.

Sincerity is the heart of virtues.

I am not a candidate for president. I never will be.

Artistic diplomacy is to say nothing, and say it well.

Politics should be less a matter of party than principles.

Crush the rebellion first, and then provide a just government.

The plaudits and love of a child are greater than the praise of a Statesman.

The state of matrimony, like the state of Vermont, is very pleasant to enter into.

It is very pleasant to be a hero, but a continuous performance is hard on the nerves.

A naval officer should be content with the honors that come to him in his profession.

We may ask courtesies of acquaintance, but favors should come at the hands of friends.

WISE AND PRETTY SAYINGS.

Men of great force are apt to have great faults.

The culture of fools is but the cultivation of folly.

He who judges another waits his own sentence.

The way to the joy of our Lord is through His Cross.

No man loses anything, though he lose all for Christ.

The pickets of civilization are the principles of Christ.

Every Christian is a photographer, a sun picture of the Son.

You cannot go to heaven looking backward.

A light head makes an easy running tongue.

God will reward you not for results, but for fidelity.

The pleasures of fashions have never yet fashioned true pleasures.

FRIENDS COMING AND GOING

Mr. Ed McIlwain, after an absence of several years, is home again, where he is welcomed by many friends.

Miss McLaughen is now on a visit to friends at Walhalla.

Mr. Eugene Richey is not lost, but has turned up to the delight and joy of friends and homefolks, after an absence of about 8 years.

Mr. A. Eequest, the "booming" insurance agent is in the city.

Miss Kate Marshall is visiting relatives and friends at Anderson and Clemson.

Mr. Bailey left today for the North in the interest of his mill. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Louise, and Miss Fannie Harris, daughter of Mr. J. A. Harris, the efficient book keeper of the Abbeville Cotton Mill.

CHARMINGLY ENTERTAINED.

Miss Drule Penney delightfully entertained a few of her friends last Wednesday evening in honor of her charming friend, Miss Lena Brownlee.

FAULKNER—MCMILLAN.

The marriage of Mr. Faulkner and Miss Laura McMillan will be solemnized tomorrow, Thursday evening at 6 o'clock, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. J. C. Miller, Rev. [illegible] Sloan officiating. This will be a quiet home wedding, witnessed by only a few of the family connection. On Wednesday, preceding her marriage, Miss [illegible] entertain a number of her friends at an informal reception to be given at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. [illegible]. The bride is one of Abbeville's most charming young ladies, having a large circle of friends who admire and love her for her [illegible]. The happy groom is most favorably known in the business circles of [illegible], and is popular with every one. Many friends extend to Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner hearty congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

COTTON REPORT.

From the supply offered during the past [illegible] it would seem that the crop is well nigh exhausted. Save a few bales here and there that have been held for higher figures. Prices have ranged from 7 to 7¾ with very limited supply. Secretary Hester of New Orleans, makes the following report for the week ending January, 27: "For the 26 days of January the totals show a decrease under last year of 227,000 bales. For the 148 days of the season the aggregate is behind last year, 2,048,000 bales. Total movements from first September to date 6,638,043: against 8,687,178 last year. Receipts at all United States ports since 1st September are 4,587,307 against 6,641,015 last year. New York market steady. Liverpool strong cables and large buying orders, notwithstanding African reverses.

OUR SICK FOLKS.

Mr. George W. Syfan is better, but is still confined to his bed. Many friends hope he will soon be fully restored to health.

Mr. Alpha Lomax who has been quite sick, is still confined to his room but is thought to be improving.

Mrs. H. P. McIlwain who has been extremely ill, is now resting more comfortably, and is better.

LIFE IN SANTUCK.

An Afflicted Family Has Reason to Search for the Cause of Sickness—An Abbeville Lady Abroad—Beloved Preacher.

Santuc, S. C., Jan. 26, 1900.

Miss Ollie McIlwain, of Abbeville, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Sallie Milford, returned home last Monday to the regret of her many friends and admirers. Miss Ollie returned earlier than she expected to on account of her mother's illness.

The infant of Mr. Ernest Gordon's was buried at Long Cane cemetery last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cochran, of Greenville, have been visiting the latter's mother. Mr. Cochran is a prosperous farmer of Greenville County, being formerly a resident of this place.

Mr. Pierce Bowen was called to Anderson last Thursday to attend the bedside of his sister, Miss Addie, who is quite sick of pneumonia.

Mr. Miller, our popular teacher, is well and at his post of duty again. Mr. Miller's school has increased to such an extent that he now has Miss Lizzie Cochran assisting him. Miss Lizzie has filled the assistant's place in this school for several terms, and she is loved by all her students.

Mrs. Lark Nickles is very ill. She has had two hemorrhages of the lungs this week, and she still remains in a critical condition. Her son, David, who has been and is still down with fever is slowly improving. The hand of affliction has certainly rested heavy upon the heads of this family for the last few months. Mrs. Nickles having buried a grown daughter, Miss Lizzie, last November, but "we know that all things work together for good to them that love God."

Mr. T. O. Price visited in our vicinity last Sunday.

Mr. Evans Gordon has been confined to his room for the past few days threatened with pneumonia, but he is able to be up again.

Mrs. Fleetwood Crowther intends giving a turkey dinner to the ladies in the near future, and all present are to quilt. The ladies anticipate a good time and especially a nice dinner.

Mr. Frank Robertson is keeping bachelor's hall at present, but from the appearance of things it is only for the time being.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson visited Mrs. Nelson's mother, Mrs. Stokes, of Antreville, last Saturday.

Rev. McKinnon, pastor at Long Cane, was visiting in our midst last Thursday. Mr. McKinnon certainly has the confidence and love of all our people, and he is a most welcome visitor in our homes. We feel better and more contented with our lot in life after having come in contact with his beautiful and resigned life.

We trust that the license bill will not pass as we are anxious to see our bachelors get married who say that they cannot afford to pay license for a girl.

Mr. George Mann, of the Nation, visited his mother-in-law, Mrs. Crowther, last Wednesday.

We have just learned of the sad death of Miss Addie Bowen, which occurred last Thursday night. Her remains were interred at Shiloh cemetery on Friday.

You will find the nicest lot of toilet soap in town at C. A. Milford's, The Druggist.

A JUMPING ENGINE.

Beautifying a Home—Pound Party—Lithia Harris—And Other Things.

Lowndesville, Jan. 29th, 1900.

Mr. Joe Black, of Willington, was Tuesday night on business.

There was a slight wreck or rather a jump off of the engine attached to the freight train on the Savannah Valley Railroad Wednesday at or near McCormick. Mr. Greason, the engineer, was hurt. For a day or two the trains did not run on schedule time. It seems a little singular, but it occurs to this writer, that since this road has been in operation, all of the mishaps to the rolling stock has been to the freight trains, not a run off of the passenger trains.

The first of last week Mrs. J. C. Lomax spent a day or two with the family of her brother-in-law, Mr. E. C. Mechine. He, Mr. Mechine, has now and has had for some time a considerable force at work improving and beautifying his home, and no expense will be spared to make it one of the most desirable rural homes to be found.

Mr. C. G. McAllister and his daughter, Miss Alice McAllister, of Latimer, came up Thursday and spent a few hours. We hope these good friends will soon come again, when they will not be in such a hurry to return home.

Miss Bertha White, one of our teachers in the High school, went to Abbeville Friday evening on a short visit to her home folk.

The choir of the Methodist church spent some time in practicing at the home of Mr. J. T. Latimer Friday night. It is a well known fact that in many of our churches this department of worship is sadly neglected. This should not be so.

Mrs. J. T. Barnes went to Iva several days ago to spend a while with her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Harper.

Messrs. W. T. Cunningham and M. T. Huchison had business at Abbeville on Monday.

Dr. J. B. Moseley spent a day or two at Greenwood the past week, attending the meeting of the District Stewards. He reports a very pleasant time, a harmonious session, and a larger number of that body present than usual.

Messrs. Kennedy, Watson, of Mt. Carmel, and C. G. McAllister, of Latimer, spent a few hours with us yesterday.

The Pension Board of the Lowndesville township will meet in this place next Saturday, 3rd of February. All interested will govern themselves accordingly. By order of Dr. A. J. Speer, chairman.

The Epworth League will meet at Mrs. J. W. Huckabee's (that's the modern way of putting it. Just because our good wives sometimes wear some of our clothes, so said, is no reason why they should be given the place of head of the household, too,) next Thursday night, February at 7 p. m. A full attendance is desired.

The good ladies of the Baptist church will have a pound party next Friday night, (2nd February), in the store vacated a while ago by Mr. E. R. Horton. Everybody is cordially invited and asked to bring a pound. The pounds received will be sold for the benefit of their church.

Mr. J. T. Harris, owner of Harris Lithia Springs, was in town one day last week. A young man of a thousand, perhaps a million, would not be far wrong. He is handsome, intelligent, industrious, and to his other qualities is that of being a splendid cook, and that which ought to commend him to the good opinion of everybody is that he is a teetotaler; never has drank a drop of spirits, except once when he was very sick, and his physician said that it was the only thing that would save his life, and he had to be forced to take it. He does not need the dispensary, prohibition, or any thing else as a shield against toperism. As he is a good catch, any young lady that wishes to learn his name, phone 8.

Friday night about 12 o'clock the negroes living on the place where Dr. J. G. Johnson lived and died, were awakened to find the barn in flames. It was soon burned to the ground with its contents, which consisted of all of the corn that some of the negroes had, together with one bale of cotton. It is not known what caused it to take fire. Troupe.

Here's a "startler!" a 75c Kid Glove at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery in White, White with black stitching, Pearl Gray, Pearl Gray with black stitching, Black, Black with white stitching, Tans trimmed in Black, Modes trimmed in Black, in fact all the new shades. Their $1.00 Glove has no equal.

THE COURT.

The Grand Jurors for the Year—The Petit Jurors for the Term.

GRAND JURORS.

R. P. Hodges	Abbeville
Mason Adams	Cedar Springs
R. A. Keaton	Diamond Hill
DeWitt Hall	Diamond Hill
W. A. Templeton	Abbeville
J. L. McMillan	Abbeville
W. C. Drake	Donalds
L. M. Shaw	Diamond Hill
L. A. Morris	Due West
R. J. Robinson	Bordeaux
Charlie Tribble	Donalds
Hugh Bowen	Due West

PETIT JURORS.

L. W. Lesly	Calhoun
Geo. Penney	Abbeville
J. A. Ellis	Long Cane
L. P. Harkness	Diamond Hill
A. M. Erwin	Diamond Hill
O. C. Robinson	Due West
Marion Barnes	Lowndesville
R. R. Jameson	Donalds
L. M. Patterson	Diamond Hill
Charlie Thornton	Cedar Springs
J. L. Perrin	Abbeville
J. B. Young	Donalds
J. W. Ashley, Jr.	Due West
T. C. Burts	Donalds
W. S. Stewart	Abbeville
G. H. Gable	Indian Hill
J. F. Gibert	Cedar Springs
T. R. Blackwell	Due West
E. H. Pennell	Due West
P. A. Roche	Long Cane
W. W. Wilson	Due West
M. B. Clinkscales	Due West
L. A. Ramey	Cedar Springs
J. Harvey Clinkscales	Due West
W. T. Broadwell	Lowndesville
J. P. Prince	Diamond Hill
S. G. Beauford	Indian Hill
W. D. Beauford	Abbeville
J. S. Singleton	Bordeaux
A. A. Pierson	Due West.
J. B. Seawright	Diamond Hill
J. P. Holloway	Bordeaux
W. D. Morrah	Calhoun
R. E. Henderson	Bordeaux
P. G. Hartzog	Calhoun
J. H. Ashley	Long Cane

An Interesting Disclaimer.

New York Mail and Express.

"I don't want you to think," said William J. Bryan to the people whom he addressed the other evening in Jersey City, "that I am speaking to you as a candidate." The disclaimer was touching, but unnecessary. Nobody for a moment supposes that Bryan is careering about the country as a candidate. Perish the thought! The general impression is that he is lifting up his voice, night in and night out, always as an elocutionist, but never as a candidate.

The Hon. Wilkins Micawber was also given to oratory. But here the likeness ends, for Micawber was continually waiting for something to turn up, but Bryan isn't. Bryan is bent upon making the greatest number of speeches in the shortest possible time, not because he wants anything, not because he could be induced—for example—to accept the Democratic nomination for the Presidency this year, even if it were presented to him on a silver salver; but just for his health; just to convince the skeptical that there is such a thing as perpetual motion—of the tongue.

The scene that followed Bryan's assertion that he was not speaking in Jersey City "as a candidate" must indeed have beggared description. Strong men most likely turned aside to drop a tear, and everybody within sound of his voice must have been a good deal overcome with emotion and felt impelled to go out and have something. The girl in the old story artlessly remarked that her brother wrote as good poetry as Milton ever produced, and "admitted the fact himself." Bryan is equally impressive when it comes to making admissions involving himself. He an office-seeker, with the remorseless persistency of the daughter of the horse leech? He engaged in stumping the country in the interest of his own candidacy for an office which in vain he begged the people to give him in 1896? Go to, go to! All that he has in view these days is vocal culture for vocal culture's sake. Any other view of his performance does him cruel injustice.

Ladies and Children's Shoes you will always find at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery. The right styles at the right prices.

Stop that cold in one day with a box of "Quinacetol." You will find it at C. A. Milford's, The Druggist. Phone 107.

ABBEVILLE'S ATHENS.

News and Personal Notes in and About the City which is Campact and Fair.

Due West, S. C., Jan. 30, 1900.

Mr. Will Leath has had a thousand cross ties hewed out and will have another thousand sawed. We understand they will be sold to the Southern railway.

Miss Alpha McGee, daughter of Mr. H. P. McGhee, of Greenville, is spending a few days in Due West as the guest of Miss Lola Bell. Miss McGee has many friends in Due West who will always be ready to welcome her return to her old home.

Mrs. Julia Cowan Ranson returned from a visit to friends in Charlotte a few days since and will remain with her parents for some time.

Mrs. Dr. J. D. Neal and Mrs. C. D. Haddon, of Troy, visited friends in Due West last week. They preferred to travel the dirt road on account of the delay at Greenwood.

Miss Allie Pruit anp Miss Crayton Robinson came up from Bradley last Thursday to see Mrs. M. G. Donnald who has been quite sick.

Miss Rosa McAdams, Miss Ollin McAdams and Mr. Robert McAdams, of Antreville, spent Friday night with the family of Mr. F. V. Pruit and attended the Philomethean celebration.

Furman Milford, son of Mr. G. W. Milford, of Antreville, spent Friday night with his friend Roscoe Knox, who was one of the speakers at the celebration of the Philomathean Society.

Miss Pearl Dean, of Dean's Station, Anderson county, attended the celebration last Friday night.

Mr. Jim Andy McIlwain and Mr. John Bobert McIlwain from the neighborhood of Central School house came up with Mr. E. D. Ellis and heard the speeches and debate at the Philomathean Celebration.

Miss Lillian Erwin, who is the assistant teacher in the Antreville School, was present at the Friday night celebration to hear her brother Arthur speak.

Miss Janie Hollingsworth, Miss Maud Hollingsworth, Miss Corrie Hollingsworth, Mr. Thompson Hollingsworth, and Mr. Grover Hollingsworth, of Abbeville, were among the happy visits at the Philomathean Celebration.

The large crowd in the hall of the Philomathean Society last Friday night should have been and no doubt was an inspiration to the speakers on the program. There must have been three hundred persons in the audience.

One of the most pleasant features of the Philomathean Celebration was the delightful music discoursed by the splenpid orchestra from Anderson, under the leadership of Mr. Joe Trowbridge.

Miss Docia Brock came home from Monterey to attend the celebration.

Miss Janie Young came over from Latimer's last Friday to attend the Philomathean Celebration and remained at home for a day or two.

Miss Janie Sondley, of Abbeville, is visiting at Mr. J. C. Haddon's.

Rev. J. O. Lindsay, D. D., delievered an intensely and instructive address to the students of the Theological Seminary last Thursday evening on the Holy Spirit.

A musical club has been organized here from which good results are expected. Rev. James Boyce is the President. Dr. E. H. Edwards, musical director. Miss Jennie Edwards, assistant director. Miss Minnie Pressly, accompanist. Miss Nellie Stack, Secretary.

The friends of Mrs. M. G. Donnald will be glad to know that her condition has inproved very much. Her mother, Mrs. Acker, of Belton, who came down some days ago to nurse her is now quite sick at the home of Mr. Donnald. Both are receiving the closest attendent of their physician, Dr. John A. Robinson, and it is hoped will soon be restored to health. The families have the sincere sympathy of all their friends. Tuesday morning Mrs. Donnald reported as better, but Mrs. Acker is no better.

Dr. J. H. Donnald, of Piedmond, has made three visits to the home of his brother, Mr. M. G. Donnald, within the past ten days and has been in consultation with Dr. Robinson in regard to the treatment of Mrs. Donnald.

Mr. Joseph B. M. Wright and family have taken up thier residence in Due West. They occupy a cottage near Prof. J. F. Lee's on lands once owned by Capt. R. C. Sharp.

Mr. James C. Tribble is having a large number of stock logs cut and hauled from Tribble's addition to a saw mill that will locate on his lot. Mr. Tribble has more energy to the square inch than any man we know and just keeps everlasting at it.

The public school in Due West opens next Monday. The school building is being painted, the grounds have been graded, trees being planted, the trees and sidewalks adjacent thereto will be put in good condition.

Prof. E. L. Reid has set out quite a number of shade trees in his front yard and also on the street about his premises. We commend his thoughtfulness to other property owners in the town.

Kit Moore went to Atlanta Saturday night with the intention of enlisting in the United States army. He did not go out to Fort McPherson, but says a little fellow in the city examined him and told him he had heart trouble and that his eyes were weak. He was mighty glad to hear such a report and at once turned his face homeward, reaching Abbeville Sabbath afternoon. He says the railroad shops were running full blast in Atlanta on the Sabbath and that he did not like the moral tone of things in the city. He will hitch up his mule and prepare to pitch another crop, believing that home is the best place after all.

Your correspondent had a pleasant call from an old friend a few days ago. He will be seventy nine years old next June. He has lived all his life on the same plantation, though not at the same spot. As a beverage he has not tasted liquor since he was eighteen years old though often tempted by friends in his younger days. He has raised a family of six children, three boys and three girls. One son was lost in the Confederate army and the other two have died since. One daughter is the wife of Mr. J. H. Green, and is the mothar of talented children. Another married Mr. David Green. Another still married Mr. Erskine Agnew, who died some years ago. He has long led a correct life and reads his Bible night and morning. Enjoying the confluence and esteem of his friends and neighbors he is at peace with all the world and hence his is a happy home. We refer to Mr. H. B. Bowie who lives near Gilgal church.

Mr. Harvey Pennel of Sunny Slope bought a fine mule from Mr R. W. Haddon Monday afternoon. Mr. Haddon has some other stock to sell.

Below we give the program of tne Semi-Annual Celebration of the Philomathean Literary Society.

PRAYER.

Address of Welcome—W. A. Philips, N. C., President.

FRESHMAN DECLAIMERS.

"Our Civilization,"—A. M. Erwin, S. C.
Music.
"Aquisition of Territory,"—S. W. Mitchell, S. C.
Music.

SOPHOMORE DECLAIMERS.

"The First Settler's Story,"—F. D. Carson, Va.
Music.
"The Poet Priest,"—R. C. Knox, S. C.
Music.

SENIOR ORATION.

"When Will Man be Satisfied,"—G. L. Keer, N. C.
Music.
Debate—Query: Resolved, That England is waging a holy war in South Africa.
Affirmative—E. N. Orr, Texas, J. B. Betts, S. C.
Music.
Negative—R. E. Ranson, N. C., E. E. McCain, Tenn.
Music.
Committee of Decision—W. H. Phillips, (Ex-Officio.) E. E. Strong, Tenn., C. M. Boyd, Miss.
Marshals—J. I. Brownlee, S. C., (Chief.) L. O. Hunter, N. C., R. E. Grier, S. C.

The weather was bright and bracing and an unusually large number of persons accepted the kind invitation that had been extended by the young gentlemen of the Society, and were present to greet their speeches as they marched, arm in arm, with the ribboned Marshals from the library to the spacious and beautiful decorated hall on the second floor. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. James Boyce, President of the Female College, and a cordial welcome was extended the visitors by the President of the Society, Mr. Wade Hampton Philips. Mr. A. M. Erwin, of Antreville, was the first speaker representing the Freshman class. He spoke well, and gives promise of becoming a good orator. Mr. S. W. Mitchell, of Fairfield County, followed in a well prepared speech. He is a pleasant speaker. Representing the Sophomore class Mr. F. D. Carson appeared and made a good speech. His voice is not very strong. Mr. R. C. Knox, of Antreville, was the representative of the Sophomore class, and delivered his speech in an earnest and impressive manner. The Senior orator was original and was made by Mr. G. L. Kerr, of North Carolina. He is a good speaker and reflected credit on himself and the society.

Much of the interest of the evening clustered about the debate. The subject may be said to have been up to date, and was well handled. Mr. E. N. Orr, of Texas, Junior class, anp Mr. J. B. Betts, of Chester County, Senior class, represented the Affirmative and insisted that England was waging a holy war in South Africa. Mr. R. E. Ranson, of North Carolina, Junior class, and Mr. E. E. McCain, of Tennessee, Senior class, representing the Negative stoutly contested the position taken by the Affirmative and won the day, the decision being rendered in their favor by the committee.

Mr. J. I. Brownlee, chief Marshal, with his assistants, Mr. L. O. [illegible]unter and Mr. R. E. Grier, deserve credit for the courtesies manner in which they looked after the comfort of the large crowd that was present.

The music was furnished by the Anderson Orchestra. Such exercises are interesting to the public, and beneficial to the young men, but in our opinion should be held in the Auditorium.

You will find correct and stylish goods at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

AFTER THE TRUST.

Large Number of Farmers Discuss the Fertilizer Business.

According to announcement a large number of farmers in this county met in the court room to take into consideration the threathened rise in the price of fertilizers. The farmers last year had the benefit of a considerable rise in the price of cotton, and they feel that they are unwilling to have that increase of price squeezed out of them by a subsequent extortion in the price of fertilizers. Feeling this way they met to advise with each other, and, if possible, avert the threathened evil.

Mr. A. F. Calvert called the meeting to order, when Mr. J. R. Kennedy was requested to act as Secretary.

In response to enthusiastic calls, Mr. J. R. Blake, Jr., responded in a speech which met a responsive chord in the hearts of all. The speaker always takes the liveliest in that pertains to the welfare of the agricultural interests, and the people have long recognized in him an ardent friend, whose zeal for the people has been so effective in the past.

By a rising vote the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that we ought not to give more than 10 per cent. advance on last year's price for fertilizers.

Resolved, That we will not buy at more than 10 per cent. advance before February 15th, at which time further action will be taken.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that unless the price of fertilizers is reduced to within 10 per cent. advance on last year's prices we will discourage the use of commercial fertilizer altogether.

Resolved, That the president of the State alliance bring this matter before the several county alliances for immediate action.

Resolved, That we condemn the action of the Virginia Chemical company in forming a fertilizer trust and arbitrarily advancing the price of fertilizers, and we would urge our representatives to use every effort in investigating said trust and thwarting the intended injustice to the farmers of this State.

Messrs. J. R. Blake, J. H. McDill, and A. K. Watson were appointed a committee to ascertain facts as to the fertilizer trust, will report next Sale Day.

Further action, it is expected, will be taken at the meeting next Monday, when the whole matter will come up again.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Abbeville is Soon to be Illuminated by the Best of Lights.

The Electric Light and Power Company are pushing ahead, making ready to give the town light and power. For the present, they will use Mr. Long's steam plant to generate electricity. The generator is already in position.

Notwithstanding the extreme cold weather the wires are being placed in position with the greatest possible speed, and an early completion of the work may be expected. Within the next month our streets may be illuminated by the best and most brilliant lights that dispel the darkness of any town.

One by one new enterprises are developed, and Abbeville make progress.

BARN BURNT.

Heavy Loss to an Industrious and Prosperous Farmer.

Mr. J. W. McKee, of the Long Cane settlement, had the misfortune to lose his barn last Monday night.

We have not seen Mr. McKee, but reports in town concerning it, are somewhat as follows: About nine o'clock his dogs barked fiercely and he hissed them on. Some one replied, "If you set your dogs on me, I will kill them."

About twenty minutes later the barn was discovered to be on fire. The loss was the building, some hogs, a beef, injury to a horse which refused to come out until after it had suffered from fire. Other personal property was destroyed as follows: Two barrels molasses, shucks and fodder, 150 pounds of meat, corn enough for the year, 75 bushels cotton seed, 15 bushels peas.

Unclaimed Letters.

Letters in post office week ending Jan. 16:

A—Molly Aiken, Mrs. Sillias Adams.
B—Miss Anne Belton, Ike Blackwell, Teme Brow, Miss Lillia Bresco, Levi Brown, Margaret Brown, J. D. Barksdale, Miss Mary Brown.
C—A. C. Clinkscales, David Clinkscales, Jim Caches, P. P. Crewe.
E—Miss Susie Edwards, Sis Elem.
F—Miss Rosa Fair.
H—H. C. Hammond, Bene Hill, Miss Nannie Hutler, Miss Hettie Hutchison.
J—Miss Alice Johnson, Miss Emma Johnson, Hillyard Johnson, Miss Mary Jordan.
L—Miss Sallie Lawton, J. W. Lomax, Walter Logan.
P—Miss Cora Parker, Pat Pruit, Miss Mamie Pope.
R—W. W. Russell, Willie Reice.
S—Miss Mary Smith, Carrie Simpkins, Rev. J. T. Stewart, J. P. Smith.
T—Mrs. Anna Thomas, Miss Namie Tarrant.
W—John Wilson, Thos. Wilson, Lucy Wideman, Jim Willard, Mrs. E. B. Williams.

Robt. S. Link, P. M.

The right prices bring business. Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery realize this fact. They want your Spring business—prices are what you want.

J. R. Glenn's Locals.

Evaporated and dried fruits, butter and Boston beans, peas, potatoes, onions, apples and cocanuts at Glenn's.

Knox's easily prepared Gellatine, Baker's Cocoa and Chocolate, Oolong and Young Hyson teas, fine flavoring extracts, canned corn, beans, peas, tomatoes, okra and tomatoes at Glenn's.

Mackerel, white fish, hams, ham roll, breakfast bacon, domestic and imported macaronie cream cheese, &c., at Glenn's.

Glenn has pen extra fine B. P. Rock chickens—prize stock at State fair. Eggs from this pen 15 for $1.

Bruce's Restaurant.

Go to Bruce's Restaurant for meals at all hours.

Bruce's Restaurant is open for the Fall and Winter trade.

Bruce's Restaurant is open day and night knock and the door shall be opened unto you

Telephone wire suitable for wire fencing for sale by C. P. Hammond.

Have you bought any of those Crashe's from Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery? They have plenty of them now, but they cannot last long at 5c.

The State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

PROBATE COURT.

In the Matter of the Estate of James Cothran, Sr., Deceased.

Petition for Settlement and Discharge.

S. E. ROSENSWIKE, as Executor for said Estate having applied for settlement and discharge.

It is Ordered, That Tuesday, the 27th day of February next be fixed for granting the relief prayed for.

R. E. HILL,
Jan. 27, 1900. Judge Probate Court.

Notice.

THE FIRM OF BELL, ELLIS & CO. HAS dissolved co-partnership by mutual consent. All parties indebted to the firm will please call and settle with J. R. Ellis, successor to Bell, Ellis & Co.

Jan. 30, 1900.

Estray.

A BLACK MARE MULE CAME TO MY house on the 14th instant, supposed to be ten years old. The owner will come forward and prove property, pay charges and take it away.

E. M. ROCHE.
Abbeville, S. C., Jan. 25, 1900.

Cedar Poles Wanted.

CEDAR POLES, 35 FEET LONG, NOT less than six inches in diameter at the small end, are wanted by the Abbeville Telephone Company.

Wm. M. Barnwell, Manager.
Jan. 30, 1900. tf

For Rent.

THE NICE FOUR-ROOM COTTAGE NEXT to the house where President Bailey now lives on Magazine Hill. Apply to

Jan. 30, 1900. P. Rosenberg & Co.

L. W. White's Locals.

Buy your domestic goods from L. W. White. Buy them while they are cheap. They are certain to be much higher in the near future.

We offer a large line of shirting prints at the same price at which they were sold last year. This is a great concession to buyers. Go to L. W. White's store, and supply all your wants in this line.

L. W. White now offers a very large line of percales ranging in price from 6 to 12½ cents per yard. When you consider the width of the percales at 6 cents, they are cheaper than prints at 5 cents per yard.

Special attention is called to the immense stock of embroideries now on sale at the store of L. W. White.

Don't forget the clothing and gents' furnishing goods department in L. W. White's store. It is very complete. We have suits of all kinds and at all prices. You are sure to be pleased if you will only call and see what we have to show you.

Our carpet and matting department has been a great success this season. We have carpets, rugs and mattings to show you. Call and see them.

See that new style of matting now shown by L. W. White. It is a linen matting, is a great novelty and is really worth seeing. It is highly recommended for its beauty and durability.

L. W. White now has on hand a full stock of groceries and provisions. He has recently received a car load each of corn and flour. Besides these he has molasses, lard, coffee, sugar, teas, rice, grits, meal, salt, &c., &c.

Keep in touch with Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery this Spring. They are going to have some "startlers."

Bursted water pipes repaired promptly by C. P. Hammond.

Wagons and buggies repaired promptly C. P. Hammond.

Bicycles repaired and cleaned up promptly C. P. Hammond.

Tar and Wild Cherry Cough Syrup will stop that hacking cough that bothers you during the night. Try a bottle at C. A. Milford's, The Druggist, Phone 107.

An elegant line of Indigo blue, mourning and second-mourning prints at L. W. White's.

You can buy a pair of bed blankets very cheap now from L. W. White.

When in need of extracts and fine cologne, remember I have them, also sacht powers, all flavors.

C. A. Milford,
Phone 107. The Druggist.

Every bbl. Glenn's best patent flour is sold under a positive guarantee.

Haddon's spring stock now arriving. Having contracted last fall for a great many spring goods, we will be in a position to make things lively this spring for close cash buyers.

Wanted.—Scrap iron of every description. Highest price paid delivered.

J. L. Perrin.

My prescription case is full of the very latest and best medicine that money can buy. Bring your prescriptions to me and see how quick you get them filled.

C. A. Milford,
Phone 107. The Druggist.

Mr. Geo. C. Gambrell has quit flagging freight trains on the Southern railroad and is now flagging customers at C. A. Milford's drug store.

When you want your medicine or anything in the drug line delivered promptly, call 107 over the phone and tell them what your wants are, and you will get it at once. I make a specialty of delivering goods promptly. C. A. Milford, The Druggist. Phone 107.

Religious.

We build our heaven as we go along.

The only way to attain true success is God's way.

Every prayer for God's glory finds quick response.

What we really need is to feel that we are being watched by God.

There is a good deal of religion in grateful contentment.

No outlook is worth much unless it is also an uplook.

Fear never visits those whose sin has not invited him.

Some day I'll know that what is bitter here is only the hereafter's unripe sweetness.

Hope breaks every chain, makes one free, and changes burdens into wings.

The public prayers that are made to men's ears never reach God's heart.

There is no low life, except the life that looks down.

Showers as well as sunshine are necessary to growth.

When we lose patience we really lose part of ourself.

Christ was not above an audience of one—and a poor one at that.

Prevailing prayer is praiseful prayer.

The thanksgiving of his children is pleasant in the ears of God.

"God's promises always sustain a trusting soul; never a doubting one."

Opportunities must be made of God, but they must be made the most of by man.

He that reigns within himself, and rules his passions, desires, and fears, is more than a king.

Those who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and beautifully succeed.

There is nothing in God that needs to be overcome by prayer. All obstacles to answered prayer are in ourself

God always answers our needs, but not always our requests. We may sometimes ask amiss, but God never gives amiss.

It is from the depths of misfortune and despair that God oftimes saves men who could not be brought to him in their prosperity.

There is not an hour we live which does not have its influence on all the remainder of our life to its close, and upon eternity.

There is rare courage in just being sensible, in compelling our feelings to face facts and deal with them instead of with useless wishes or regrets.

No life can be pure and strong without making others purer and stronger; a man is composed of a part of all that he has met and with which he has come in contract.

There is no standing still; we are going forward or slipping back. Let us look back over the year and see whether are stronger or weaker for our work.

We cannot dream ourselves into anything that is either beautiful or good; we must hew our dreams out of the hard rock with pick and hammer. There is nothing for the self-indulgent but miserable failure.

The thought of a just God having seen all that we have done would only breed despair in our minds if we did not know that He forgives those who humbly and penitently confess their sins.

If we are determined to sow "wild oats" God will not hinder us, but He sets up before us the fearful warning. "He that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption."

The person who is wasting his inheritance in riotous living is fortunate if he can pull up before everything is gone. The greater likelihood is that he will go on till health, and wealth, and self-respect are gone.

As the sweet fragrance of a frail flower ascends to mingle with the atmosphere, so does the holiness of a good man sweeten, the life of his neighbors; and even as a stagnant pole gives off miasma, does the influence of evil corrupt and poison.

Recreation is intended for the mind as whetting is to the scythe. He, therefore, that spends his whole time in recreation is ever whetting, never mowing, and he that always toils and never recreates is always mowing, never whetting.

If one allows himself to hanker after evil things he will not be saved from doing the evil by any outward restraints. God will allow him to make his own bed and will let him lie in it until like the Prodigal he comes to himself, and sees what a fool he is.

If we could all realize fully the truth that all our thoughts, words and actions are an open book to God and are recorded for or against us, we should feel that we have greater need to keep all our thoughts, imaginations and desires pure and noble.

Upon how many does the loving influence of a dead mother still shine? And of how many stars that have ceased to exist do astronomers teach us that we yet receive the light? What invisible power is it that seizes us at times with the exaltion and inspiration of past deeds, past heroes, past glories?

Conversation is an art worth learning. Its keynote is unselfishness. To speak without trumpeting our opinions, and to listen without interrupting, are accomplishments which a selfish person finds difficult, but which must be learned before the charm of conversation commences.

When some of life's plesant places have for us come to an end, when some door of joy has closed behind us, shutting us out from old delights and fellowships, and bidding us turn to new paths, how slow we are to accept the inevitable.

Once there was a brier growing in a ditch, and there came a gardener with his spade. As he dug round it and lifted it out, the brier said to itseelf, 'What is he doing that for? Does not he know that I am only an old worthless brier?" Then the garbner took it to the garden and planted it amid his flowers, while the brier said, 'What a mistake he has made, planting an old brier like myself among such rose trees as these!' But the gardener came once more with his keenedged, knife, made a slit in the brier, and, as we say in England, 'budded' it with a rose, and, by and by, when summer came, lovely roses were blooming on that old brier. Then the gardener said, 'Your beauty is not due to that which came out, but to that which I put into you.'" That is what Christ would do with each life of ours. He would put himself, his own life, into us. Then we shall be able to live worthily and beautifully and to succeed and become a blessing in the world. Christ in us will make us what we ought to be. Nothing else will.

He who disobeys any law dishonors all law.

Faith Illustrated.

Faith in Jesus Christ and in God the Father is not a mysterious something It is like the faith exercised in every-day life, only it is directed toward a different object. The following extract from a sermon by C. H. Spurgeon makes the subject of faith for salvation simple and clear:

The farmer buries good seed in the earth and expects it not only to live but to be multiplied. He has faith in the covenant arrangement, that seedtime and harvest shall not cease, and he is rewarded for his faith.

The merchant places his money in the care of a banker and trusts altogether to the honesty and soundness of the bank. He entrusts his capital to another's hands, and feels far more at ease than if he had the solid gold locked up in an iron safe.

The swimming trusts himself to the sea. When he swims he takes his foot from off the bottom and rests upon the buoyant ocean. He could not swim if he did not wholly cast himself upon the water.

The goldsmith puts precious metal into the fire which seems eager to consume it, but he receives it back again from the furnace purified by the heat.

You cannot turn anywhere in life without seeing faith in operation between man and man or between man and natural law.

Now, just as we trust in daily life, ever so are we to trust in God as He reveals Himself in Christ Jesus.

Faith exists in different persons in various degrees, according to the amount of their knowledge or growth in grace.

How to Kill Lice on Hogs.

Hogs will invariable take to the water when given an opportunity, especially when troubled with lice. If the animals have no wallow, one should be provided. This is easy to accomplish. Simply dig a hole and fill with water and the hogs will do the rest. When the wallow is formed pour over its surface kerosene oil varying in amount according to size of wallow. The mud and water thus treated becomes sure death to the lice on hogs.

Do it Well.

If two angels were sent down to earth, one to rule an empire, and the other to sweep a street, they would have no choice in the matter, so long as God ordered them. So God in His providence, has called you to work hard for your daily bread; do it to His glory.

W. D. BARKSDALE.

SPRING 1900.

GRANDEUR FLOUR—ALL SIZES.
MYERS SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.
BIG STOCK OF PLOWS AND PLOW STOCKS.
HOES, TRACES, COLLARS, HAMES, ETC.
SEED OATS—BOTH COUNTRY AND HOME RAISED.
DRIED APPLES, PEACHES, PRUNES AND RAISINS.
When needing anything in goods, come and see us and get our prices.

W. D. Barksdale.