The Press and Banner

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Master Perrin.

The Governor having appointed L. W. Perrin, Esq., Master of this County, he sent off his bond last Monday. As soon as his commission arrives he will take charge of the office, and perform the duties appertaining thereto. For the present he will remain in the law office, which he has occupied since 1875. He studied law in that office, and afterwards practiced law in the same place. Mr. Perrin's appointment as Master will not interfere with any kind of office practice as an attorney, but it prohibits him from practicing in the Court of Common Pleas, and in the Probate Court in this County. He is as well qualified for the preparation of papers and the giving of legal advice as before.

Mr. Perrin is well qualified for the office, and he will give abundant satisfaction in the office.

Council Meeting.

The council last night elected Mr. Joe L. Johnson street over-seer in place of Mr. J. M. Kirby.

Mr. W. F. Riley elected chief of police.

Mr. O'Brien elected marshall in place of Mr. J. S. Fisher, resigned.

Mr. Charles D. Allen elected supernumerary marshall.

Concord of Sweet Sounds.

The Singing Convention met at Long Cane Church last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. T. P. Milford, president, was asked to continue in office until the next meeting.

Miss Lizzie Britt was elected organist.

Messrs. M. H. Wilson, W. E. Morrison, and Andrew McIlwaine were appointed committee on program.

Among those present were: Messrs. Henry Milford, R. L. Sanders, T. M. Locke, James Hampton, J. H. Hampton, J. B. Hampton, J. M. Hall, Adolphus Bolt, J. W. Burriss, J. W. Wideman.

Committee on next place of meeting: Joseph J. Kilgore, R. H. Cochran, Jr., L. P. Harkness, C. D. Cowan, J. R. McGee.

Churches wishing to have the next convention should send written invitations to the committee.

Easter Egg Hunt.

Five hundred bright colored eggs will be hidden in Klugh's Park Saturday, April 14th, by the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church. All the children are invited to come and hunt for them. The hunt will begin at 4 P. M., admission 10 cents.

Every little girl who comes will be given an opportunity, free of charge, to draw for a beautifully dressed doll. A splendid ball and bat has been procured as a prize for the boys, and will be awarded in the same way.

Old Papers Wanted.

If you have copies of the Abbeville Banner for 1847, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, the Press and Banner will pay a good price for them in money, or will send the Press and Banner as long as you may think right, in exchange for them. You can get either, the cash or subscription to the Press and Banner. Of course no one has a complete file for all the years. Let us have what you have. tf.

Mayor and Aldermen.

The town election for Mayor and four Aldermen came off yesterday. Total vote 46, each candidate receiving the whole number. The tickets as nominated by the primary, was as follows:

For Mayor—Dr. S. G. Thomson.

For Aldermen—J. M. Harden, Julius H. DuPre, E. A. Thompson, J. S. Stark.

The managers of election were: M. E. Hollingsworth, H. T. Wardlaw, John Clark.

Ice! Ice! Ice!

When you want ice get our prices. They will be right. Parties having refrigerators and ice boxes who use the cold stuff in quantities will find it to their advantage to get our prices. Quick delivery. Phone 99.

Thomson Bros.

Milk Cow for Sale.

Nearly full Jersey, first calf. Will sell for cash or trade. Thomson Bros.

Something New.

I have just received an elegant line of wall paper samples, from the celebrated Alfred Peats Co. Orders will have prompt attention at Penney's Drug Store. W. C Moore, Agt.

For Rent.

An eight room dwelling house on Pickens street. W. Joel Smith. tf

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

THE COTTON MILL.

Some Explanation of the Whole Matter Between the Operators.

The mill put on a night force early last summer and have been running night and day ever since. It did not give entire satisfaction to the mill. The carding and spinning could not be done as well at night as in the day time. The hands get more pay and their work was lightened. The overseers did all could be done. The superintendent, the help, everybody did all that was possible, but machinery that never stops to cool or be cleaned but once a week wont work well, but from the record it made it succeeded as well as any mill ever did that run at night. The work was not as good as formerly, so the weave room suffered. The work did not run well. Some lacked warps or filling so the weavers working by the piece, did not make quite as much as they did formerly. There was some kicking. Cotton mill people will talk and kick any way, it matters not what they get or make—that is, some mill people do so. The management, or the superintendent, decided to advance wages on the 15th of April, and posted notices in the mill where everybody could see them. It seems that that would have gladdened the hearts of all. That in appreciation of faithful, enteiligent work, the company was able to raise wages, which was as good as any, before the raise. Well, it did not please all. Part of the help organized a Textile Union. They have not made any demands but it is well known that their intention was to run the mill with Union labor. Last Thursday they were promptly discharged, and since then have received orders to vacate their houses at once. We don't know just how many. The mill discontinued its night work. It is running with full force in day time, and is glad to quit its night work. In our opinion the Union people have got about all they can get. The mill has nearly all the help it wants.

Contributor.

HAPPY YOUNG PEOPLE.

Married in the Presence of Quite a Large Number of Friends.

Married, April 10, 1900, by Rev. J. F. McKinnon Mr. Samuel R. Cochran and Miss May Baker. The marriage took place at 8:30 p. m. Immediately after the ceremony a delightful dinner was served, which was enjoyed by quite a large number of assembled guests.

LUCKY NEIGHBOR.

Is Awarded $1,200 For His Estimates on Cotton.

Don't fail to read of the good luck that has come to Mr. T. P. Quarles. He made estimates in the name of ten different persons, and won $1,200 in cash. If he should be at a loss to know how to dispose of so large an amount of ready cash, it is quite probable that some of his sympathizing friends could give him some good advise.

Married at the residence of Mr. M. E. Hollingsworth on Sabbath evening, Mr. J. P. Shaw to Miss Pearl Cheek. All of Abbeville.

Buy your ice tickets from J. L. Perrin.

Orders for ice promptly filled when left with J. L. Perrin.

The very latest drinks of the season can now be found at Milford's Drug store—his fountain is running on full schedule time. Phone 107.

My fountain is new and up to date, my syrups are the finest that Money Can buy. Men of experience to look after it and why not get the very best when up-to-date drinks are within your reach. Milford's Soda Fountain. Phone107.

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The Latest Ideas for Dress.

The Newest Things out in Trimmings

The Latest Novelties in Neckwear. The greatest variety of Laces and Embroideries, together with a large and choice selection of Staple Goods makes our Stock the most valuable we have ever owned.

Compare our Goods and Prices and we have no fear of results. A liberal share of your trade is earnestly solicited. Respt'y,

R. M. Haddon & Co.

LOWNDESVILLE ITEMS.

News and Personal Paragraphs of Interest as Noted by Our Enterprising News Gatherer.

Lowndesville, April 8, 1900.

April fool's day being Sunday was not observed here except in one instance, so far as heard from, and that was of one of our respected citizens who went to bed Sunday night with a thorn bush. Deponent does not say whether he was scared or hurt, but it is said that the sheet was hurt in being torn.

Magistrate J. G. Huckabee and Mr. E. J. Huckabee went to Abbeville, Monday.

Messrs. J. E. Allen and W. L. Bowman were called to Abbeville Tuesday in the interest of the administratorship of the Bowman estate.

Mr. B. O. Kay went to Anderson on Monday.

Dr. J. B. Moseley went to Abbeville Thursday, where he remained till the next day.

Mr. Mac Horton, his mother, Mr. E. R. Horton and Miss Lillie Huckabee went to Anderson Thursday on a shopping expedition. The trip was made by the dirt road.

TOWN COUNCIL.

There was a municipal election here on Thursday, and as a result Mr. T. D. Cooley was elected Intendant, and Messrs. R. H. Moseley; J. T. Latimer, W. T. Broadwell and R. J. Hutchison are to aid him for the next twelve months in enforcing law and order in our town. Not having had any city fathers for a year we felt some of the troubles of orphanage and are glad to know and record that our troubles along that line are ended, and that we again have legal protectors and defenders and we can lay the pleasing unction to our soul that these, who have been by the suffrages of our citizens raised to the high and responsible positions of guardians of the peace of our town, will fulfill the trust reposed in them to their credit and entire satisfaction of all concerned.

CAPT. BAKER AND HIS FINE SHIP.

A late issue of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle received a few days ago, gives quite an extended and glowing account of the army transport, Sumner, as it was known by, but because of its magnificent appointment now receives the name of Queen of the Fleet. In the same paper is given a picture of the vessel and several inside views of this wonder of the deep. It is commanded by Captain Charles T. Baker, of this place, and is well known in the county, and as such a few facts concerning it will not be void of interest to many of the readers of the Press and Banner. During the late Spanish-American war the vessel was a collier and was known as the Cassius. Since then she has been remodeled and refitted, till now she is a floating palace. The changes were brought about, at an expense of $750,000. What prodigality, what a shame to so use the people's money when much more economical measures would have answered every purpose. The Sumner left for Manila about [illegible] ago with over 1,900 people on board, [illegible] comfort and pleasure everything [illegible] provided that money could buy. [illegible] state-rooms in it, each accommodating [illegible] persons, and three double [illegible] each accommodating four persons. [illegible] and dressers are made of solid [illegible] the knobs and decorations of the [illegible] brass work. Finest French [illegible] the walls, and velvet carpets and [illegible] the floors. The main saloon, [illegible] closets, umbrella and cane stands [illegible] mahogany. The sixty cuzine room are of the same material, [illegible] in buff leather, and cost $15 each. [illegible] board cost $1,500, and contains a [illegible] valuable articles a silver service [illegible] cost $8,000 for the use of the commission[illegible] and other officials. In the above [illegible] paper is given six views, i. e., one [illegible] transport, inside view of Captain [illegible] room, one showing chart room, [illegible] another the officer's smoking room, another a palatial saloon for the Sumner officers, and lastly, the central one is a picture of Captain Baker. It is said that he will not be expected to return to the United States inside of two years. It is indeed gratifying to know that our former townsman is so pleasantly and profitably situated.

ALL SORTS.

Mr. T. L. Cozby, of Greenville, spent a day or two here last week.

Our lodge of Free Masons had an interesting meeting Saturday evening. Mr. [illegible] Clinkscales was made a fine Mason, and Mr. J. D. Wilson and Mr. J. C. Lomax took the first degree.

For several months it has been found necessary to have warming fires in our houses, especially at night, until last night, and the night before, when they were not needed.

The past few warm days has caused vegetation to rapidly clothe herself in her summer robe.

Hon. J. H. McCalla, of "The Hub," was in town Saturday.

Hon. W. D. Main and his daughter, Miss Sallie Mann, of Beech Island, were in on Saturday, guests of Mr. W. G. Buchanan.

Mr. P. C. Suber, of Anderson, spent several hours here on business Saturday.

Mr. W. A. Billings, of Danville, Va., was here several days last week, representing the Union Central Life Insurance company, of Cincinnati, O. He was reasonably successful.

The second quarterly meeting for this year for this charge will be held here next Saturday, 14th, at 4 p. m. The presiding elder, Rev. R. A. Child will be here and will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday, at 11:30 a. m. and at 8 p. m. A full attendance of the members of the quarterly conference, is earnestly desired.

A sale of the personal effects of Mr. V. H. Watson, deceased, took place at his late residence, Saturday. Everything of value brought fair prices.

The remains of Mrs. Llewellyn McCurry, of Anderson, were brought down on Thursday and were carried over to the Daniel family burial grounds, and laid to rest. The deceased was born and reared near here, and a few years ago her family and husband moved to Anderson. She died very suddenly with something like heart failure.

Mrs. J. E. Henry Allen, Prof. J. E. Allen, and Dr. T. O. Kirkpatrick went to Starr yesterday and heard the noted evangelist, Rev. T. H. Leitch, preach one of his characteristic sermons. They were much pleased.

Mr. E. J. Huckabee and his sister, Miss Lillie Huckabee, went to Iva, yesterday, and heard a fine sermon at 3 p. m., from the minister above mentioned.

Major and Mrs. W. R. Nance, of Abbeville, came up Saturday evening and spent the night with Mr. W. G. Huckabee and family.

To date a good crop of fruit is still promised, and it is hoped that it will end in giving to us a full benefit of this great luxury.

Troupe.

Prices on Embroideries have been reduced at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery. Be sure and get the new prices on P. K. remnants at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

The finest line of cigars you ever saw—Cuico, Figaro, Washington Irving, Roig and Portuendo—5 cents. A special line of 10 cents, 12 1-2 cents and 15 cents cigars. The Speed Drug Co.

MR. BOWMAN'S WILL.

The Way in Which He Disposed of His Property.

State of South Carolina,
County of Abbeville.

In the name of God, amen.

I, Alonzo Z. Bowman, of the county and State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, do make, ordain, publish and declare the following to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made, to-wit:

1st. It is my will, and I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of any moneys on hand or from moneys due to me which may be collected.

2nd. I give and devise to my son, W. L. Bowman, the tract of land known as the "Patterson Place," containing eighty-three acres more or less, also all that other tract of land known as the McCullough tract, containing ninety-five acres, more or less, to him, and his heirs forever.

3rd. I give and devise to my daughter, Ella Clinkscales, wife of Caleb Clinkscales, the tract of land known as the "Quarter tract, containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less, to her and her heirs forever.

4th. I give and devise to my son, T. J. Bowman, my "Home Place," containing two hundred acres, more or less, to have and to hold the same for the use and benefit of himself, wife and children during his life, and at his death to be equally divided among his children, the children of a deceased child to take the portion to which the parent would have been entitled if living—provided the said T. J. Bowman shall furnish to my wife, Emily Bowman, who is his mother, a comfortable home and support during her natural life.

The following proviso is one of the interdelineations, and not originally in the will.

Provided further that the said T. J. Bowman shall not have power to dispose of his said life-time interest in said land, either by lease or sale—my intention being that the same shall be for a home and for the support of my grandchildren, the children of the said T. J. Bowman.

5th. My daughter, Ida Cooley, wife of Thomas Cooley, having already received in the may of an education and otherwise advantages over and above my other children, amounting in value to what I consider her full share of my estate, I do not feel it my duty to make any provision for her in this, my will, further than to direct my executors, hereinafter named, which I hereby do, to pay to her out of the first money coming into their hands, the sum of five dollars.

It being my earnest desire, for the above stated and other obvious reasons, that my said daughter, Ida, or any of her heirs, shall receive no more of my estate, either directly or indirectly, than as above provided, I hereby solemnly enjoin it upon you, my other children, to respect my desires in this particular.

6th. The provision made in the fourth clause of this, my will, for my beloved wife, Emily Bowman, is intended to be in lieu and bar of dower in any and all lands owned by me at the time of my death.

7th. It is my will and I hereby direct that my executors, as soon as practicable after my death, sell all of my personal property, collect all moneys due to me to which I may be in any way entitled, and after the payment of my debts, funeral expenses and the bequest of five dollars to my daughter Ida Cooley, invest the balance, together with whatever money I may have at the time of my death, in the stock of the Abbeville Cotton Factory, to be held in trust by my son, W. L. Bowman, who I hereby constitute as trustee for that purpose, for the benefit of my grandchildren, the children of my sons W. L. Bowman and and T. J. Bowman, respectively, and my daughter, Ella Clickscales (the children which may hereafter be born to them as well as those already born) the annual dividends arising from said stocks to be equally divided among my said grandchildren living at the time of said division, and the same paid over to their respective parents or guardians, to be expended for the use and benefit of said grandchildren respectively.

[Note. The provision to invest in mill stock was noted for change to bank stock, mortgages and other securities.]

8th. It is my will and I direct that as soon as any of my said grandchildren shall attain the age of twenty-one years that such child shall have in said stock be paid over to him or her as the case may be; and as a basis for determining such one's interest that the value of the whole of said stocks shall be taken and also the whole number of said grandchildren at the time of each of said payments, and that so much of said stocks be sold as may be necessary to raise the required amount.

9th. In case any one of my three children, to-wit: W. L. Bowman, T. J. Bowman and Ella Clinkscales shall attempt to break or have set aside this my will, then in such event it is my will and I so direct that the portion given herein to such one shall go to the other two, and if any two of the three shall attempt anything of the kind then I direct that the portion given herein to them shall go to the other, but if all three of them join in such an effort, then it is my will and I hereby direct that my entire estate be given to the support of the paupers of the poor house of said county of Abbeville.

10th. I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son W. L. Bowman and my young friend Earl Allen executors of this, my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this, the 5 day of August, 1897. A. Z. Bowman, ss.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the testator in our presence, as his last will and testament, and we, in his presence, and at his request and in the presence of each other signed our names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

J. R. Blake, Jr.,
Robt. S. Link,
W. W. Bradley.

BEAUTIFUL HATS.

Pretty Faces — Lovely Ribbons — Charming Styles.

The ladies are still looking at the beautiful millinery which is to be found at the millinery stores. Smith's Corner is as pretty as refined taste and human ingenuity can make it. The pretty things to be found there just paralyzes the pretty women. At Haddon's well-known stand the customer is bewildered with the beauty, style and grace of everything. Customers, clerks, and everybody else gets up to their eyebrows in nice things. Mrs. Taggart has moved down on Washington Street, and she is just doing her best to show the most taking goods, and the ladies are there every day.

NICE PLACE.

Sweethearts — Ice Cream — Delightful Scene.

Mr. R. C. Wilson has fixed up the nicest sort of a little arrangement, where young gentlemen may seat their sweethearts to ice creams and other good things. Mr. Cannon, the artist, is helping to do the ornamental work.

Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery will run their $1.50 Oxfords this season at $1.25. A full line of children's just as cheap. These goods have just been received.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

OFFICE OF SUPERVISORS OF REGISTRATION, ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

Abbeville, S. C., March 6, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with an Act of the General Assembly, and in conformity with the requirements of the State Constitution, the books for the registration of all legally qualified voters, and for the issuing of transfers, ect., will be open at the office of Supervisors of Registration in the Court House, between the hour 9 o'clock a. m., and 3 o'clock p. m., on the first Monday of each month, and kept open for three successive days in each month until thirty days before the next general election.

The Board of Registration is the judge of the qualifications of all applicants for registration every male citizen of this State and of the United State, twenty-one years of age, who is not an idiot is not insane, is not a pauper supported at the public expense, and is not confined in any public prison, and who has not been convicted of burglary, arson, obtaining goods or money under false pretenses perjury, forgery, robbery, bribery, adultery wife beating, housebreaking, receiving stolen goods, breach of trust with fraudulent intent, fornication, sodomy, incest, assault with intent to ravish, miscegenation, larceny, or crimes against the election laws, and who shall have been a resident in this State two years (except ministers in charge of organized churches and teachers of public schools, and these after six months residence in the State,) a resident in the County for six months, and in polling precincy four months, and who can read any Section in the Constitution of 1895, or can understand and explain any section of said Constitution when read to him by the registration officer or officers shall be entitled to registration and become an elector upon application for such registration. If any person has been convicted of any of the crimes above-mentioned, a pardon of the Governor removes the disqualification.

In case any minor who will become twenty-one years of age after the closing of the Books of Registration and before the election, and is otherwise qualified to register, makes application under oath showing he is qualified to register, the Boards shall register such applicant before the closing of the books.

Any person whose qualifications as an elector will be completed after the closing of the Registration Books but before the next election shall have the right to apply for and secure a registration certificate at any time within sixty days immediately preceding the closing of the Registration Books, upon an application under oath to the facts entitling him to such registration.

The registration of voters must be by polling precincts. There must be a Book of Registration for each polling precinct, that is for each township, or parish, or city, or town of less than five thousand inhabitants, or ward of cities of more than five thousand inhabitants. Each elector must vote in the polling precinct in which he resides. If there is more than one voting place in the polling precinct, the elector may vote at any voting place designated on the registration certificate. The Boards must designate in the registration certificate the voting place in the polling precinct at which the elector is to vote. If there is more than one voting place in the polling precincts, the Boards shall designate on the certificate the voting place selected by the elector.

S. S. BOLES,
W. A. LANIER.
G. H. MOORE.
Board of Supervisors of Registration

It is only a saving of 3 cts. but it counts up. A Fan at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery sell at 2c. you pay 5c. for elsewhere.

The State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

PROBATE COURT.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

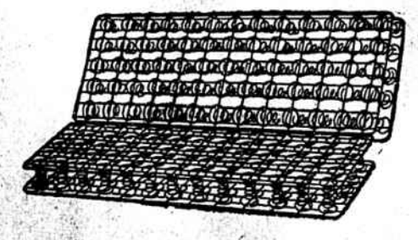
In the Matter of the Estate of A. Z. Bowman Deceased.

ALL persons indebted to said estate must settle without delay, and those holding claims against the estate must present them properly attested to

W. L. BOWMAN and
J. E. ALLEN,
Executors.

April 3rd, 1900.

Now is the time for lace curtains, lambrequins and house furnishing, table linens at Haddon's.

THIS IS  TIME!

And We Are Loaded with Bargains .....For You in.....

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We are Right on the Square.

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DUE WEST.

Sick Preachers — Presbytery — Excitement — Personal Paragraphs.

Due West, S. C., April 10th, 1900.

Capt. J. M. Cochran and Mr. W. C. Brock attended court at Greenwood last week. They were witnesses in the case of Majors versus Pruitt, in a monument case.

Mr. Pope, a handsome young man, attorney from Charlotte, N. C., visited his brother here last week, who is a student in Erskine College.

Miss Atkins, of Virginia, is visiting her sister Mrs. E. L. Reid.

HOMESICK PREACHERS.

Dr. W. L. Pressly, Rev. C. E. Todd, Rev. O. Y. Bonner and Mr. R. S. Galloway left here last Thursday afternoon, via Southern railway, to attend a meeting of the Second Presbytery in the city of Atlanta. Three out of the four returned home sick.

Mr. Sam Cochran, a thrifty young farmer, who lives near Abbeville will be married today (Tuesday, at 3 P. M.) to Miss May Baker. The bride is sixteen and the groom thirty-two years of age. Miss Baker is a daughter of Mr. Martin Baker from near Buckstand.

Mr. Augustus W. Smith, President of the Woodruff Cotton Mill, and Col. B. Tillman Wardlaw, of Abbeville, were in Due West one day last week. Mr. Smith came to Due West to secure some subscriptions to the capital stock of the cotton factory of which he is president. No business man in Abbeville has more friends in Due West than Gus Smith, as he is familiarly called, and sincere regret is felt and expressed at his contemplated removal to another town in another county.

Dr. C. B. Cowan, Pat Kennedy and J. Epps went to Anderson Saturday as "roosters" for Erskine's base ball team.

Mr. W. F. Kennedy, of Lowndesville, has been in Due West visiting Mr. J. H. Brooks, Mr. A. S. Kennedy and other relatives. On Monday he was eighty years old and is still hale and hearty. He has heard many Seceder preachers and can always tell them by the way they read the Psalms.

Rev. F. Y. Pressly, D. D., the President of Erskine College, preached a good sermon in the A. R. P. Church last Sabbath in the absence of the pastor.

Professors P. L. Grier and E. L. Reid went to Anderson Saturday to see the ball game between Erskine and Clemson.

Rev. J. H. Pressly, of Statesville, N. C., lectures to the faculty and students of the Theological Seminary Tuesday night of this week. Public cordially invited to attend.

Erskine and Clemson played a game of ball at Anderson last Saturday. The score stood 6 to 2 in favor of Clemson. Erskine is confident of winning two out of three games with Clemson.

Fifty students went to Anderson last Saturday. Some played ball and the others cheered the players.

The lady teachers of the Female College went to Abbeville on a shopping expedition last Saturday.

The second annual celebration of the Castalian Literary Society of the Due West Female College will be held next Friday evening. Miss Lena Hamm, of Virginia, will preside. Miss Rebecca Boswell will give a reading. Miss Louise Caldwell, of North Carolina, is the Sophomore essayist. Miss Bessie Boyce, of South Carolina, is the Sophomore elocutionist. Miss Alice Todd, of South Carolina, is the Senior essayist. Miss Jennie Galloway, Miss Louise Brownlee, Miss Martha Hagan and Miss Elina Clinkscales will debate the following subject: Resolved, That the education now given to the youth of America is detrimental to their highest interests.

Mrs. Keesley, mother of Mrs. Eliza Callahan, at Level Land, will celebrate her one hundredth birtday on June 10th, 1900. She is still quite active and without difficulty walks around to visit her neighbors. She was reared near the mountains in Pickens county and it may be that the pure mountain air had much to do in lengthening her life out to a century.

Mr. R. C. Brownlee, Jr., is having a well bored at his back door. The drill is driven by steam power. The work is being done under the direction of Mr. York, of Clover, S. C. He is the gentleman who bored the wells at Erskine and the Due West Female College. Mr. Brownlee's well is now eighty feet in depth and the drill making slow progress through solid rock.

Mr. M. B. Clinkscales sold fifty-five bales of cotton last Friday to Mr. Andrews of Greenwood. The price paid was 9.15.

Mr. John McGee and Mr. Hill McGee have discovered the secret of making oats. Last fall they put in their oats in the drill with a cotton planter. None of them appear to have been killed by the cold weather and they are now growing luxuriantly.

Last Sabbath night there was some excitement in the house of Uncle Oliver Kennedy, a respectable colored man, who lives in the eastern suburbs of Du West. Feeling the need of some mild chloride of Mercury (calomel) and his pill box being empty a messenger was dispatched to a neighbor to borrow some calomel pellets. Through mistake a box of morphine pellets was sent instead of calomel. Soon, however, the mistake was discovered by the person lending the medicine and a swift bicycle rider was out to see if the morphine had been swallowed. The rider reported that Oliver had taken one and his wife three, one-fourth grain morphine pellets. A horse was hurriedly "hooked up" and the doctor taken post haste to be scene of excitement. The usual antidotes were administered, and the family soon relieved of all anxiety.

The delegation that attended the meeting of the Second Presbytery in Atlanta returned home Monday night. They report a pleasant meeting. Rev. W. A. M. Plaxo was the moderator, and a good one. The usual routine business was transacted. Rev. E. B. Kennedy, Rev. Joseph L. Pressly, Rev. R. L. Bell, Rev. J. S. Mills, Rev. J. A. Smith, Dr. E. P. McClintock, Rev. T. W. Sloan, Dr. G. D. Phillips, Rev. W. B. Lindsay, Rev. J. M. Bignam, and others in addition to those from Du West attended the meeting. The Presbytery was hospitably entertained by the congregation. The outlook for the church in the city is more encouraging than ever before. The next meeting will be held at Mount Carmel, Friday before the third Sabbath of September. Rev. J. A. Smith was elected moderator for the next meeting.

FIFTY LOST IN TEXAS FLOOD.

And Still Worse Reports Looked For—River Rising With Startling Rapidity and Bastrop, Fayette and Wharton Just Feeling Full Fores.

By Telegraph to The Daily News.

Dallas, April 9.—Report received at Dallas up to noon from the southern and southwestern Texas flood sections, show that more than fifty lives have been lost, including those at Austin. The names of least half are not obtainable because of the isolation of the districts from the railroads. Most of the drawnings occurred in the Colorado river valley south of Austin and Bastrop.

Bastrop is now entirely surrounded by water and cut off.

The property damage is enormous and railroad traffic in the southern portion of the State is practically abandoned. All outlets to California are gone because of the big washouts on the western divisions of the Texas Pacific road.

Later reports from Bastrop, Fayette and Wharton counties, in the Colorado valley, show that the full force of the flood is just being felt there. The water is rising rapidly and the people are compelled to desert their homes with all possible speed to protect their lives. Even this has not saved some. Reports come from Bastrop that twelve people were drowned there last night.

In Wharton and Fayette countries the situation is even more grave. It is expected that further reports from this section will not only pile up an immense property loss, but that the list of human lives lost, will be swelled considerably.

La Grange, April 9.—The river took a sudden spring jump at noon, it has risen 7 feet in the last hour and the out look is alarming. The river shows a rise of nearly 50 feet, 11 feet higher than in 1890.

An Austin dispatch says:

So far as can be learned there were no casualties here besides the eight persons caught in the power house and the woman, two children, five men and university student who were on the point below the dam. All these were swept away when the 500 feet of huge dam suddenly swung open and the wave fifty feet high leaped down through the valley Saturday evening. Their bodies will probably never be found as great boulders weighing thousands of pounds were buried along by the rush of water and broken to pieces. The wonder is that so many of the hundred of spectators on and below the dam escaped.

The dam and power house cost the city $1,250,000 and Austin is now without water, lights or electric power and nearly cut off from the world.

Every hour brought reports that groups of two, three or more bodies could be seen floating gulf ward far below Austin.

500 Japanese open and shut Fans for 2c. each at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

A car load of ice just received by J. L. Perrin.

Peacans Rather Than a Policy.

Southern Farm Magazine says: Mr. Samuel H. James, of Mound, La., believes that a pecan grove is of more profit to a man than a life insurance policy. In the Cotton Planters' Journal he says:

"About fifteen years ago a life insurance agent approached me, asking me to insure my life. 'No,' said I; 'I will plant me a large pecan grove, and that shall be my life insurance. The yearly premiums shall go toward the care and cultivation of the grove, and I shall get my returns while still alive, and leave to my heirs the most valuable piece of property in the State.' He laughed at me. Still I planted my grove. The trees came into bearing at nine years, and each year now the yield gets more and more, and the grove more valuable. In five more years, if I am alive, I can afford to live like a prince. My plan of life insurance was a perfect success, as all now know, for I not only get good returns during my life, but my heirs will get the principal when I die.

Every young man, or middle-aged man, should plant some grove of trees while young that will give him good returns in old age. The ordinary staples are so hard, and so often overstocked, that there is not often much profit in them. Then old people cannot afford to toil as young ones do. Especially should men with young children plan far ahead. They should plant trees that will come into bearing in the years to come.

After you once get your grove into bearing there is no expense for cultivation or care. All you have to do is to pick the pecans up, put them in barrels and ship them. How different from cotton!

"My mother was fifty-three years old when my grove was planted, and we now can afford comforts which we could not otherwise have had. In closing, let me give the reader one warning: Do not expect your grove to take care of itself while little. You must cultivate it and attend to it, otherwise it will not thrive. Cotton is the best thing to plant in a pecan grove. Cotton is nearly always well cultivated, and the pecans get the benefit. I never knew an old man in my life who upon discussing the pecan question did not express a regret that he had not planted a pecan grove in his youth, so that it might take care of him in his old age. This at least will not be one of my regrets when I get old."

The Industrial Department of the Seaboard Air Line is doing all it can to get the people along the road to plant pecan trees, and to enable those who desire to plant them, they have arranged with a reliable company to supply all persons living within fifteen miles of the road young thrifty trees at very low prices. To secure the low rates, you have to buy through one of the S. A. L. Station Agents or Industrial Agents. If not convenient to see the agents, write direct to J. T. Patrick, Pinebluff, N. C. April and early part of May is the best time to plant.

BRILLIANT AMATEURS.

Clever Play—An Enjoyable Evening Promised to All.

Thursday evening, April 19th, there will be a performance in the Court House under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, to raise money for the proposed monument.

The Abbeville Chapter, though small in membership, has undertaken to raise sufficient funds to erect a suitable monument to the brave men throughout the county, who fought and bled for their country.

Such a worthy cause is certainly deserving of help and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

The troupe from Greenwood is composed of talented young people, who have already established quite an enviable reputation for themselves.

The play, "The Soldier and Fortune," is witty and clever, presenting many amusing situations, and all who witness it will enjoy a delightful evening.

Let all come out, old and young, to have a merry time and to help a good cause

Seats on sale at C. A. Milford's Drug Store. Reserved seats, 50 cents. Admission 35 cts.

Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery have just opened up 40 dozen Percale Waists. Sale price is 45c. and 65c. They have more value than the one they offer at 35c.

J. L. Perrin is now prepared to furnish ice to the public.