

The School Bonds.

The election to decide upon the issue of \$200,000 worth of five per cent bonds to build a high school passed off yesterday, without notable incident or any feeling whatever. The vote stood:

For bonds.....112
Against bonds.....2

In talking with a member of the school board, this newspaper is not so much opposed to the smallness of the issue as we had been. It is proposed to have no auditorium in the new building. In such buildings as have an auditorium, the cost is nearly or quite doubled. The proportion of cost of floor space in an auditorium is not very different from the cost of the floor space of the class rooms. The auditorium occupying half the floor space would indicate that about half the cost of the building is saved by omitting the auditorium.

And it has been suggested that the auditorium of the existing school house could be changed into class rooms. This, too, without injury to the general appearance of the outside of the structure.

The change in the existing school house and the omission of the auditorium in the proposed new school house is induced because of the fact that the people of the town own the theatre which is elegantly furnished and which is splendidly suited or adapted for school exhibitions. The seating capacity is all that could be desired. The lights are all that could possibly be needed. The heating arrangements are perfect, and the fire escape is up to date in all respects. \$30,000 could not possibly give the new school house equal accommodations in an auditorium. The \$20,000 which has been voted will, therefore, build a good school of which we need not be ashamed. And when people look at the matter dispassionately they will likely be satisfied with what should be our proudest building.

We are further satisfied than ever that there will be no just grounds of complaint as to the location. The committee are high men, and whatever they do will be done solely for the public good and for the welfare of the greatest number of children. Of one thing the people may be assured that the money will not be squandered in a high price for any lot. The town is big enough, and the lots are in such number that there will be no trouble in getting a good lot. And a good lot is, of course, of more importance than a good school house.

Stockholders Meeting.

Stockholders of the Peoples' Bank met yesterday in the office of that institution. President Thomson called the meeting to order. Cashier Cox called the roll, when it was found that a majority of the stock was represented. President Thomson read the annual report. The surplus and undivided profits amounted to \$17,000.

A resolution was adopted expressing unqualified satisfaction with the conduct and business of the institution. The bank has been in existence for five years. It has paid three annual dividends of ten per cent. each. The stock today will readily command a premium of \$60 per share of \$100.

The former directors were re-elected. The success of this bank is phenomenal and most gratifying to every shareholder. It is a source of pride to those who do not take more stock. They have lost just \$60 on every share which they did not take. This editor is one of the heaviest losers. He took only five shares when he ought to have taken thirty. We lost therefore more by not taking more bank stock as we lost in the cattle business.

AFTER 39 YEARS.

Mr. Calvin Alewine Returns to His Native County.

Mr. M. L. Alewine, of Atkins, Ark., is spending a month with his brother, Mr. J. D. Alewine of Abbeville, this county. Mr. Alewine left Abbeville County 39 years ago. While he is older now than he was then, he still looks well. And he has eleven children to his credit, all of whom have grown to manhood's or woman's estate. The sons are in useful pursuits, while the daughters, as the wives of good men, hold the highest places on earth. Mr. Alewine is now almost a stranger in the neighborhood which once knew him so well.

Mr. Drennon and Mexican Missions.

Mr. Charles Drennon, son of the late Dr. Horace Drennon, was in town Monday. He exhibited Wm. Smith's receipt of his grandfather Isaac Kennedy for ten dollars hire of two negro men, Orange and Dick, for ten days. The receipt bore date of April 5, 1868—just fifty years ago. Mr. Drennon lives in the neighborhood of Long Cane and Cedar Springs. He and a number of his neighbors have been reading some interesting little books on the A. R. P. Mission in Mexico. He says some mighty good people in his section believe that Mr. Wilson is right.

Attorney General Lyon.

Attorney-General J. Fraser Lyon has won a great victory before the United States Supreme Court. His contention for the State on account of the dispensary was fully sustained and the State is a winner. He and his friends ought to be proud of his success as Attorney General. He prescribes the precedent of his way, and goes on gaining victory in the legal battles. His native town sends congratulations to a brave and successful son.

Our millinery stores had the most beautiful display of goods that ever gladdened the eye of the prettiest girls on earth. A girl rigged out at our stores is perfectly irresistible. Old bachelors as well as those who are just entering the arena of life, can't help from falling down to worship the lovely goddess. Another matter the stores that provided these goods that would make the plainest girl on earth, the most charming creature that walks beneath the sun, have had good and substantial returns for their venture. Their bank accounts are larger than ever, and all they have to do now is to watch them grow.

Gen. M. C. Butler is in hospital, suffering with Bright's disease. The newspapers expect the end at an early day. He is the last of the Confederate Generals in South Carolina.

Mr. James Tribble, of Due West, as good as a man you could find in a day's journey was in town Monday.

Dr. Cowan, the best looking dentist in the county, witnessed the land sales Monday. It will soon be time to paint your house. Be sure to use the paint that goes the farthest and lasts the longest—DeVos's. For sale only by Speed's Drug Store.

EDITORIAL REVIEW PATTERNS

MAY PATTERNS AND FASHION SHEETS NOW READY. SPECIAL ATTENTION TO MAIL ORDERS.

Easter Parasols and Suits in this Week.

ALGERNON S. SIMMONS.

Phone 176.

THE STATE WINS.

CLAIMS WILL NOW BE PAID.

These Amount to Between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

Columbia Record.

Washington, April 5.—The Supreme Court today decided the dispensary case in favor of the State.

The federal receivers appointed by Judge Pritchard are removed and the State dispensary commission is restored to control of the lands of the dispensary. The decision, read by Mr. Justice White, reasons that claims against the commission are claims against the State and can not be prosecuted under the constitution.

In this respect the decision of the circuit court of appeals at Richmond, denying Dr. W. J. Murray's petition for the dispensary commission, is reversed.

A major Wilson Distilling company is reversed. The reversal of the main case is reversed. The reversal of the main case is reversed.

Washington, April 5.—The famous South Carolina dispensary case, involving the disposition of about \$300,000 of dispensary funds, was decided by the Supreme Court of the United States today in favor of the commission, the stipulation being by Justice White.

Chairman Murray Informed.

Dr. W. J. Murray, chairman of the dispensary winding up commission, was informed by the Supreme Court's decision this afternoon by Dr. R. D. Murray exclaimed:

"What will you do now?" asked the reporter.

"Why, we will just pay out the money," replied Dr. Murray. Everything is settled, all the claims are passed on and we will settle with the creditors as soon as possible.

"How much do the claims amount to?" "Between \$800,000 and \$400,000," said Dr. Murray.

"Will there be anything left?" "Yes, there will be a balance of about a quarter of a million dollars to go to the State," said Dr. Murray.

In addition to this cash balance of \$250,000, the State owns the real estate of the State dispensary, which is valued at \$75,000. This property is now in the hands of the sinking fund commission to be leased or rented.

There are two vacancies on the commission which will be soon filled by Governor Aiken. A. J. Lyman and C. K. Henderson of Aiken resigned from the commission in order to become receivers under the act of Judge Pritchard, and their successors will now be named by the governor, who has only been waiting for the decision of the supreme court.

The dispensary money is now on deposit in a number of banks in different towns in the State, all these institutions being under injunctions being under injunction also not to pay out any of the funds except by order of the circuit court. These injunctions are now dissolved by the decision of the highest tribunal of the land and the deposits are subject to the order of the dispensary commission, which holds as collateral securities deposited with the State treasurer. The money has been placed in the hands of the banks for nearly two years.

The man most pleased by the decision will be Attorney General Lyon, who is not in the city today. Mr. Lyon has said all along that his criminal prosecutions of persons connected with the late State dispensary were only waiting on this decision, and he will now doubtless push these cases to trial.

Tuberculosis.

"What is tuberculosis? Tuberculosis is a chronic disease caused by germs. It is the most common and fatal of all diseases. It may affect any organ or part of the body. It is a house disease and breeds in filth and dirt.

"Consumption is tuberculosis of the lungs. It is not inherited, but is principally spread by the consumptive's habit of spitting. The largest number of deaths occur in the crowded parts of the large cities.

"Anyone may get consumption, or tuberculosis. Adults generally suffer from consumption, but children are especially troubled by tuberculosis of the bones, hump-back, spine disease, etc.

"Every death from tuberculosis is unnecessary, for tuberculosis is preventable, communicable and curable.

The foregoing concise statement regarding tuberculosis and consumption has been issued by the Missouri Association for the Eradication of Tuberculosis. It should be read frequently by every man, woman and child in the United States. It corrects several false notions regarding the most deadly disease of modern times. Emphasis should be laid upon the fact that tuberculosis is a germ disease and therefore communicable, but the consumption, or tuberculosis of the lungs, is not inherited and that even when it manifests itself in a person's system, it is curable. We have known this, we do not take the necessary steps to prevent it. It is an individual crime, chargeable to the men and women of this generation. It is a crime, by whose laws, may aid in putting down the disease, but its actual eradication can only be accomplished through individual effort. The sooner everyone informs himself regarding the disease, the sooner it will be overcome.

Musical Festival for Columbia.

April 22nd, 23rd, are the dates for the Columbia Music Festival to be held in the Columbia theatre, under the auspices of the Columbia Musical Association.

As the keynote in a series, the festival of 1909 demands the best. The best has been secured as assured by the announcement that Joseph J. Langendorf, Laston and Hastings have been engaged to sing at the three concerts with the world renowned Dresden Philharmonic orchestra, 65 men, Willy Oese Conductor.

The engagement of the famous Dresden orchestra has attracted the attention of the whole music world to the Columbia Music festival. It is necessary to obtain a royal permission for the orchestras to make this long trip to America and so many difficulties had to be overcome that it is doubtful if the trip would have been arranged had it not been for the efforts of Victor L. Clark, associate conductor. Columbia is indeed fortunate to be listed among the cities booked for the spring tour.

Attractive features of the festival will be the mixed chorus of over two hundred voices, Mr. George S. Kittredge, of the College for Women, director; and the children's chorus of two hundred voices, Mr. W. G. Dietzschel, of Columbia College, director.

As the time for the festival approaches increased interest is being taken in the great event. For several weeks past Manager F. L. Brown has been receiving numbers of mail orders and it is believed from the present outlook that the sign, S. R. O. will be shown at each performance. Beginning today season tickets will be sold for a few days only. Box seats, 5 and 8; orchestra 5; balcony, \$5; 4 gallery \$2. Mail orders filed in order received. Local checks must be drawn, with exchange, payable to F. L. Brown, business manager of the Columbia Musical Association.

From all stations in South Carolina the usual special railroad rates will be given and Columbia is making ready to welcome a regular fair week crowd, for the calendar is well filled and each day will be crowded with events of interest.

Art students, and all interested in the work that is being done in Southern colleges, register at Columbia College, Wednesday, 24th and Crafts exhibit will be held in the studio of the College for Women, April 22nd-23rd. Two hundred voices, Mr. W. G. Dietzschel, of Columbia College, director.

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Election in Ward Four.

The second primary in Ward 4 for Aldermen resulted in a total vote of 70.

Mr. W. A. Calvert.....40
Mr. H. G. Smith.....30

Dispensary or Missions—Which is the More Costly?

Our good brothers of the Due West Associate Reformed Presbyterian newspaper having repeatedly referred to the cost and incidental suffering of the people because of the sale of whiskey at Abbeville the editor of the Press and Banner will try to throw some light on the subject of the Tampico Mission.

If you haven't had your attention called to the matter you will be surprised to learn that the per capita cost of the dispensary to the people of this county is not so very much greater than the cost per capita of the Mexican Mission to the A. R. P. people.

The total population of Abbeville County in round numbers in 1906 was 38,400. The sales of liquor at our dispensary in 1906, before the adjoining counties and the great State of Georgia went dry, were \$67,376. The per capita cost was \$2.01.

By reference to page 103 of the A. R. P. minutes for 1908 it is seen that \$25,042.26 was received by the treasurer of foreign Mission, including balance \$1,493.38, was for India. After deducting this amount, \$23,548.88 is left to be expended in Mexico. Turn to the statistical table, omitting Mexico, you will find that in the A. R. P. Synod, it is claimed that there are 13,039 communicants. It will, therefore, be seen that the tax on communicants in that church is only a fraction less than \$1.73 on foreign Missions alone.

If the breadwinners, or the male communicants alone are counted, it will be seen that the per capita of male membership is about \$3.56 or twice as much as the total per capita cost of liquor to every man, woman and child in Abbeville County, profits on Mexican Mission nothing. Profits of the dispensary in 1905, \$14,784.

Of course to place the money profits in the sale for or against either enterprise is to place the issue on a plane far lower than the highest.

This is not all. A heavy tax levied by the Synod upon all churches for Home Missions, except Mexico, which Presbyterian is taxed nothing, not even for its support. The total thus collected aggregates thousands of dollars. To prove that the home mission board is extravagant or wasteful of the people's money it is only necessary to cite the fact that so many of the young or inexperienced home mission preachers are paid higher salaries than are paid to many of the best and more experienced preachers who are not beneficiaries of the tax so collected.

Hugh Wilson.

RURAL DELIVERY.

Between Level Land and Abbeville.

Washington, March 29, 1909. Hon. Wyatt Aiken, House of Representatives: Sir: I have the honor to advise you that rural delivery service has been ordered established from Level Land, Abbeville County, South Carolina, with one carrier, to be effective June 1, 1909. F. V. Ingram, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.

Wetranb's Locals.

When I put a pair of pants on you its with the distinct understanding that its a good pair of pants or no sale.

I have them from 38 cts up to \$5.00. They are clothes don't make the man—they don't, but they go a long way towards helping out.

I sell you a suit for \$8 that looks like a \$12.00 somewhere else.

The boy wants a suit and a pair of oxfords just as much as you do. Humor him and your pocketbook by getting it at H. Wetranb's.

McMurray's Locals.

Try Thomas' ice cream served in crisp cones 10c. Cake and cream all in one.

Brilliant varnish stains make old articles look like new.

Velvet cream lotion for chaps, sunburn and tan. 25 cents.

Boards and shingles are back numbers. Cover your houses with Rhinoceros or Walrus roofing. For sale by S. J. Link.

The mascot of the city—Speed's Cigar cigars. A big lot of standard novels—"reprints" only fifty cents each at Speed's Drug Store.

The Abbeville Insurance and Trust Co. are prepared to handle your real estate. If you have any real estate to sell, or if you wish to buy call or phone us. Office over Cobb's shoe store. Phone 118

Amos B. Morse Co. Locals.

We have just received a new shipment of Irish Cobbier potatoes. See us before you buy.

Come in and see our exquisite line of samples for men's clothes—made to order. We represent two of the best tailoring establishments in the country. Fit and satisfaction guaranteed.

Millet, cane, blue grass, permanent lawn grass seed fresh and in abundance.

Come and get your blacksmith tools from us and coal for your shop work.

A good stock of wood and jar churns. Cultivators, Joe harrows, guano distributors, hoes, hoe handles and plow stocks of all kinds.

Don't overlook us when you want seed Irish potatoes.

Don't fall to look over the new lot of standard novels just received at Speed's Drug Store.



XTRAGOOD CLOTHES FOR BOYS

hold their shape and their wear through so much more banging about that, tho' in the beginning, they seem to cost no less, in the end they are far cheaper than clothes which seemed cheaper on the price tag.

All XTRAGOOD clothes are cut extra full and made extra strong. The kneepants are lined all through—built with the "Seat of Wear" which not only makes them fit better, but also give double service.

Perrin Clothing Co

INTERESTING STATISTICS

87 per cent. of the buyers want the best Staple and Fancy Groceries on the market—not the best for the price but the best they can buy. Experience has taught these buyers that when it concerns Groceries, the best are cheapest in the long run.

WE KEEP WHAT PEOPLE WANT.

That's our business. We have studied the market for years and know just as well how to buy as we know where to buy. Our Staple and Fancy Grocery line in purity, perfection and price stand at the top of the column and the people know it.

Fresh Bread!

We will make our own bread hereafter. We have builded an AI Bakery in the city and propose to see to it that the people of the city and county shall have an opportunity to get the best of bread here at home.

Chase & Sanborns Coffees, grown on the western highlands of the Geral mountains of Brazil, are the finest coffees grown.

Tetley's Tea for tea drinkers—it doesn't disappoint—all are at our store. Our reputation depend upon our goods and we know it—hence the quality.

SWEET POTATO SLIPS

We want your orders for Sweet Potato Slips. We handle only the best varieties—those suitable to this climate. Will also handle Tomato Plants—four leading kinds. Leave us your order.

L. T. MILLER, GROCER.

Excursion Rates TO...

Louisville, Ky., and Return via SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Account Southern Baptist Convention the Southern Railway announces very low round trip rates to Louisville, Ky., from all points. Tickets will be sold May 10, 11, and 12 and 13, 1909, limited for return leaving Louisville not later than midnight of May 22, 1909.

Round trip rates from principal stations as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Station, Rate, Station. Includes Abbeville, Charleston, Newberry, Aiken, Chester, Orangeburg, Anderson, Columbia, Prosperity, Batesburg, Gaffney, Rock Hill, Blacksburg, Greenville, Spartanburg, Blackville, Greenwood, Sumter, Branchville, Lancaster, Union, Yorkville.

For tickets, detailed information, etc., apply to Southern Railway ticket agents or address J. L. MEEK, Asst. Gen. Passenger Agent, Atlanta, Ga. J. C. LUSK, Div. Passenger Agent, Charleston, S. C.

HADDON'S

Is the place to buy your Dry Goods, Millinery, Ladies' and Children's Ready-to-Wear Goods, Shoes, Etc.

Wash Suits and Skirts

Two-piece Suits in Blue, White, Tan and Fancy, \$2.50 up.
Wash Skirts in Tan, Black, Blue and Fancy, \$1.00 up.

Shirt Waists

Manish tailored Waists, 75c up.
Fancy Lingeree Waists, \$1.00 up.
Black Taffeta Waists, \$3.50 up.

MILLINERY

We have the most beautiful and up-to-date line ever in the city. Each day brings us in the newest and swellest styles. We have shapes to suit each and all. Our Millinery cannot be surpassed in any market.

White Goods

In endless variety and at prices ranging from 5c up.
Beautiful Waistings, sheer and mercerized, from 10c up.

Shoes

The most chic and nobby line ever in Abbeville. We can fit any foot, and make it be comfortable as well as pretty.

It would be greatly to your interest to inspect our entire line in every department before buying, as we can save you money.

R. M. Haddon & Co.

Master's Sales.

On last salesday Judge R. E. Hill, master, sold the following property: Fifteen acres belonging to Wm. Winbush, to the Anderson Real Estate and Investment Company to satisfy papers of Henry F. McGhee.

One hundred and fifty acres of J. O. Callahan sold to J. L. Self for \$570. Another tract of 66 acres belonging same parties sold to J. O. Callahan for \$880.

One hundred and fifty acres belonging to W. F. Green, Atty., for \$290. Seventy-one acres belonging to Nancy Allen sold by suit of Barmore Razor to S. H. McGhee for \$500.

Sheriff's Sale.

The Sheriff sold one tract of land on sale day. It consisted of 111 acres, estate of J. M. Ashley, sold on suit of Brock & Brock, Home Path. The tract brought \$469.

Furniture and sewing machines going at ridiculously low prices. S. J. Link.

Abbeville Hardware Co.

Smoothing Harrows, Disc Harrows, Howard Guano Distributors (Guaranteed not to clog.)

Forges and Bellows, Blacksmith Tools.

Our roofing is the best. Our prices the lowest. See us. S. J. Link.

Grace: Pimples, blotches, rough, shiny skin are from the blood and stomach. A simple and never failing remedy—one that makes clear, healthy complexions, pure blood, perfect digestion, is Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Surprise yourself! Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. C. A. Milford & Co.

Right here is the secret of awkwardness. It is self-consciousness. A girl who thinks about how she is going to look when she extends her hand will hold it out as stiff as a pump handle. It is she who is worried about the appearance of her walk she will stammer and trip and escape like a wooden dummy. What a person does gracefully is done unconsciously. So if a person would learn grace she must first learn to do things unconsciously by doing them often.

Permanently relieves constipation and indigestion. Regulates the bowels, builds up waste tissue. Makes pure blood. You grow strong, healthy and robust. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, the safest, nicest Spring tonic. 35 cents. C. A. Milford & Co.