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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10, 1909.

It is one of the beautiful compensations of life that no man can sincerely try to help another, without helping himself. — BAILEY.

The ADVERTISER has entered upon its seventy-fourth year, having been established in February, 1835.

The figures in County Dispensary Auditor West's official report are suggestive of old-time state dispensary graft.

It is said that the United States supreme court will reach the South Carolina dispensary case in about two weeks. The long, seemingly inexcusable delay has given the grafters time to cover up their tracks.

The latest in South Carolina county dispensary circles is the building of a church at Livingston, Orangeburg county, with dispensary profits. Another evidence of the demoralization wrought by liquor.

Some very knowing scientist attributes the mild weather to the fact that the earth has drifted three million miles nearer the sun. If that be true, don't you hope old Mother Earth will get back in her beaten path by July?

Study Your Soil.

Farmers should study carefully the needs of their soil before applying commercial fertilizers. Some land needs acid phosphate and very little ammonia, while other land requires a quantity of ammonia and very little acid or kainit. Fertilizers may be applied very heavily but if the lacking elements of plant food are not supplied, the yield will be unsatisfactory. Probably that is why some farmers find fault with certain brands of guano. The guano was doubtless up to the standard but the formula was not suited to the soil upon which it was applied.

Lively Interest Manifested.

The corn growers contest will cost The Advertiser twenty-five dollars in gold, without one cent of direct returns, but we will feel amply compensated if the farmers generally enter the contest. At present scores upon scores are manifesting a very active interest, much to the writers gratification. The contest was put on to stimulate and encourage the farmers throughout the county to give more attention to corn culture. If a large number enter our purpose will have been accomplished and we shall be satisfied.

Should Respond Generously.

An appeal has been made to the banks of the state for contributions to the indigent family of the brave policeman who lost his life in an attempt to arrest a professional safe-cracker in Laurens last week. To this appeal the banks should respond generously, as many citizens have done. The ranks of safe-crackers can be reduced by alertness and proper discharge of duty on the part of the officers of the law, and contributing to so worthy a cause as the one above referred to will inspire and encourage these officers in the discharge of duty.

Bad Management, or What?

Reports of bad business management and seeming irregularities are beginning to come in from county dispensaries. In his official report to the Governor, Dispensary Auditor West says the Charleston dispensary board awarded a contract in Augusta for Schlitz beer at \$12.75 per cask when the Schlitz Brewing company had filed a bid with the board at \$9.40 for the same goods. This board also made an award to the Consumers' Beer Bottling establishment for Budweiser beer on a basis of \$12.75 per cask when other counties in the state are purchasing the same beer at \$10.75 per cask delivered. In one instance the county is losing \$3.35 per cask and \$2.00 per cask in the other. The explanation of the board is largely awaited.

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Two Valuable Lessons.

A certain Johnston business man while in conversation with the writer a few days ago remarked that a great number of farmers who reside in the eastern part of the county have money deposited in bank at interest, and, said he, almost without a single exception these farmers grow sufficient corn to supply their farms. Not only do these men run their farms without buying western corn but they seldom go to town without carrying something to sell.

From the statement of the Johnston business man the average farmer should learn two lessons: First, the only road to success and financial independence is growing sufficient corn each year to supply the farm, instead of making cotton with which to buy western meat and corn. Second, raise stock and diversify the crops in order to have something available for market during the entire twelve months of the year.

Visit From a Veteran.

There came into our office last week an aged citizen from the southwestern portion of the county whom we had never seen before. However, the conversation had not proceeded very far before we were fast friends. The visitor was Mr. W. A. Howle who served in the Confederate army in the company with the father of the writer. As is the case with all veterans, Mr. Howle's chief delight is to relate war-time experiences and depict camp fire scenes. His kindly references to our father soon won the writer's affection. Mr. Howle said he went to the front with the first company that left this county—Company I, under command of Capt. Tillman Clark—and remained in active service four years and four months. He fought from Bull Run to Bentonsville. Not many years after the war Mr. Howle met twenty-three members of his old company at a meeting of the Edgefield association, while now there are probably less than a dozen living. Some of the survivors, besides Mr. Howle, being Capt. Gus White, Mr. J. N. Fair, Mr. Sam Roper, Mr. F. P. Walker and Mr. E. G. Morgan.

The writer feels an affectionate interest in all Confederate veterans wherever found, but the survivors of old company I occupy first place in our affections.

Enter the corn growers' contest.

Parkville Sunday School Honors Mr. J. C. Morgan, the Former Superintendent.

A beautiful tribute was paid yesterday by the Parkville Sunday school to ex-superintendent J. C. Morgan. After the lessons, the superintendent recognized Rev. L. B. White, who in very beautiful and appropriate words presented Mr. Morgan a beautiful solid gold watch fob with locket attached, on one side of which is engraved "J. C. M. Superintendent Parkville, S. S. for 29 years," and on the other side, "presented by Parkville, S. C., 1909."

This is a beautiful token, costing 12 or 15 dollars, to a worthy brother who for 29 years, through cold and heat, through discouragements as well as prosperity, has gone in and out before the school and community and maintained his Christian integrity.

I thought how much better it is to hand Mr. Morgan these beautiful bouquets during life, when he can know how he is appreciated than to place them upon a new made mound after he shall have passed away. If we have flowers, had we not better present them during life?

Twenty-nine years of honorable, faithful Christian service! I want to add my well done faithful servant, with the prayer that God may spare him to us many years, and that his pathway down the sunset side of life may be spread with flowers and blessings, and that his last days may be his happiest and most useful ones.

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A Very Strong Paper.

The Advertiser cheerfully gives space this week to a very able paper entitled "The B. Y. P. U. in the Church" that was read by Mr. D. Nixon Dorn, son of Mr. L. F. Dorn, before the union meeting of the third division of the Edgefield Baptist Association, held recently at Parkville. We are greatly pleased to see and know that Mr. Dorn has become actively identified with the work of his church. The laborers are too few for a young man of such attainments to remain idle. Besides being richly endowed by nature young Mr. Dorn is a full graduate of Furman university, and is therefore fitted for leadership and for wielding a county-wide influence. We trust that Mr. Dorn will prepare another paper for the union meeting to be held at Red Oak Grove in May. We shall be glad to publish it also for the benefit of the cause.

Address of Miss Nance Highly Appreciated at McKendree.

News is indeed scarce, but your correspondent decided to pick up the pen of journalism, which has been silent for some time and give you a few dots from this community.

Having enjoyed a mild winter so far, the weather of last week, reminded us that winter still lingered although the song of the bird heard on warm sunny mornings seemed to prophesy an early spring.

We desire to thank the editor and his kind wife, who through their efforts gave us the privilege as well as the great pleasure of hearing Miss Mary T. Nance lecture to McKendree school on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Quite an appreciative audience gave her their undivided attention for more than an hour. This young woman, being so gifted, and enthusiastic, is well fitted for such a noble work. May her message go to the hearts of every one; and the influence of it be felt long years hence. We wish her God-speed and may her future be crowned with the brightest success.

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Miss Nance at the Limestone School.

Pleasant Lane, February 4th— We all had Miss Nance, that's very lovely and intelligent lady with us Tuesday, February 2nd, 1909. Our school house was crowded with not only the patrons, trustees, teachers and children of our school, but we had two other schools to join us on that day. A day we shall always keep fresh in our minds, for Miss Nance charmed the whole crowd. She gave us a splendid talk on education, telling us a great number of things we should do to improve our school, and said we should by all means have a fine High School here in such a pretty location.

I do wish they would follow her advice and soon have one. Hurry back Miss Nance to see us, and I hope when we look into your bright face again we shall have carried out all of these plans and not dreamed them.

A Scholar.

Deposit Your Money.

Every man who has a surplus dollar should deposit it in one of the banks. Start a bank account, no matter how small it may be, and you will feel better and you will be richer. The banks are glad to have even the smallest deposits. They pay interest and you the farmer, who has nothing to do but to watch the crop grow will be kept busy seeing your bank account grow. Money on deposit is the safest investment that can be made. All the stock of the bank, and every stockholder is personally liable for it. The main thing for you to do is to make the deposits and take the proper receipts for it when your baggage is checked for a higher and better financial standing. To have a bank account on the right side of the ledger is the best thing on this earth—except a good wife, which this editor has, up to this time been unable to get.—Abbeville Press & Banner.

S. C. C. I. News.

Last Saturday night the following officers were installed for the third quarter—for President in the F. L. S., Lily Mae Bussey; V. Pres. Henrietta King; Secy., Annie Laurie Attaway; Treas., Marcie Turner; Sr. Critic, Grace Frier; Jr. Critic, Lizzie Coleman; Chaplain, Carrie Elliot; Censor, Nan Mellett.

The officers of the Pierian Literary Society are—Pres., Harris Mathis; V. Pres., J. J. Davenport; Sec. Albert Hamrick; Treas., James Buster; Sr. Critic, James Boles; Jr. Critic, James Taylor; Censor, Durant Hollingsworth; Sgt. at arms, Willie Humphrie; Chaplain, Willie Hill; Doorkeeper, Thomas Holmes.

Of the Bailey Literary Society—Pres., Ben Burkhalter; Vice Pre., Hoyt Cook; Secy., Maurice White; Treas., Arthur Hunt; Senior Critic, Josie Boazman; Junior Critic, Ellie Arrington; Sgt. at arms, Joe Hogan; Chaplain, James Kemp; Censor, Wallace White; and Doorkeeper, Ryan Rucker.

Sgt. Buster went home on a visit last Saturday.

Mr. E. J. Hankinson was here last week on a visit to his son.

Mr. R. B. Cain, former Commandant of the S. C. C. I., is here for a few days.

Cadet Kilgore is in Augusta visiting some friends.

Feb. 8, 1909.

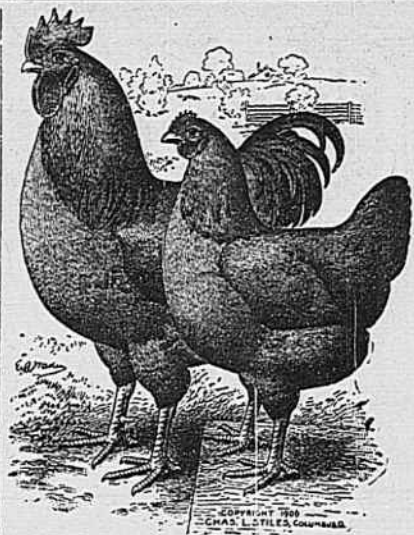
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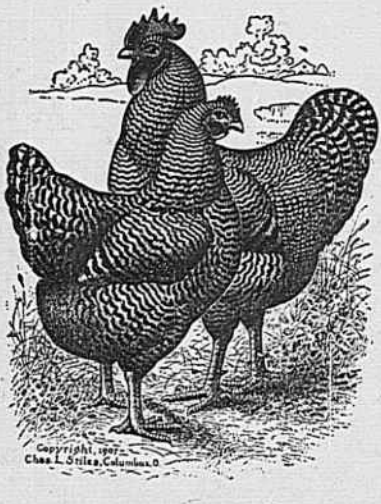
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