

TERMS:

ONE YEAR \$1.50
SIX MONTHS75

No man can tell whether he is rich or poor by turning to his ledger. It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich according to what he is, not according to what he has.—BEECHER.

Better make plenty of corn this year. You can't buy it on a lien next spring.

Yes, The Advertiser's motto for 1909 is, "More corn and less corn juice."

The Texas legislature has passed an act making it a criminal offense to swear over a telephone. No such law is needed in Edgefield, the service being first-class. However, the timid fellow who "pops the question" over the phone and receives a "no" in reply may have occasion to use strong language.

Wouldn't it be a good idea to make a county liable for damages in cases where whiskey was sold to a confirmed drunkard by dispensers and the man while drunk killed somebody or did some other act which caused damage or trouble to some one?—Bamberg Herald.

Yes, that would be a very good idea; but it would be a far better idea for the county not to sell its citizens liquor, while either sober or drunk.

A bill has been introduced in the national House of Representatives providing for a tax of \$2 on every deadly weapon, such as pistols, dirks, knives and brass knuckles manufactured and sold within the United States. Were this to become a law "Uncle Sam" could soon pay off the national debt and have ample pocket change left. We would offer only one amendment, and that is to include razors, when they are purchased to be used at "hot suppers."

It is said the roads are so rough in some of the neighboring counties after the mud dries that folks with false teeth are compelled to take them out of their mouth when they travel along them in a wagon. There are no such roads as that in Orangeburg county, but some that resemble them very closely.—Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

We haven't heard of anybody losing their false teeth along Edgefield's highways. The fact is, our roads generally are a hundred per cent better than they were several years ago.

The southern members of Congress are doing their utmost to secure the passage of an act prohibiting telegraph and telephone companies from transmitting information concerning the buying, selling or dealing in futures, which will practically put an end to Wall Street's gambling on our cotton. Let us hope that the day will yet come when the price of the staple will be controlled by the law of supply and demand, instead of by New York gamblers.

During the overflow of the Savannah river last August, the railroads had a large quantity of freight damaged in cars and in the Augusta depot. At the time the question arose as to who would bear the loss, the shipper, consignee or the railroad that received the merchandise for transportation? Several suits to recover the value of damaged goods have been brought against the railroads recently, resulting in verdicts for the plaintiffs. The defendant company claimed that the goods were destroyed through an act of providence, and not through its carelessness.

Poor Financing.
We certainly hope the convictions at the recent term of court will do good. Crime is costing Bamberg county too much money. Often prisoners have to be fed in jail for a long time before being tried, and our criminal courts cost about as much as our roads and bridges.—Bamberg Herald.

Much of this lawlessness is doubtless attributable directly to whiskey that your county is selling to make money. But where does the net profit come in? You sell the poor devils the liquor and then you use the so-called profits to punish them for the crimes they commit while under the influence of the liquor. When you take into consideration the degraded manhood, lowered standard of morals and citizenship in the county, is not this very poor financing?

Beware of Catalog Houses.
A certain Chicago department store has just sent out 6,000,000 catalogs through the mails, the aggregate weight being 450 tons. It required thirty full length mail cars to take them out of Chicago. Wonder how many of the six million catalogs were addressed to persons who reside in Edgefield county?

To those who receive them we would say be not deceived by their tempting offers. A cut of the article may be given, accompanied by a seemingly very low price, but you can tell nothing as to the quality of the merchandise offered. The chances are, should you place an order, that when the merchandise is received you will for one reason or another be dissatisfied and would like to make an exchange. But this can't be done without paying the express or freight to and from Chicago, to say nothing of the inconvenience caused by the delay. Even when the second article is received it may not be entirely as represented.

Instead of patronizing the catalog house a thousand miles away, it will be the part of wisdom to supply your needs from the local merchant, where you can examine the goods before paying your money. Furthermore, the local merchant stands squarely behind every piece of merchandise that passes over his counter, making good all honest complaints. Exchanges can be made, errors corrected, misunderstandings adjusted without cost or any unnecessary delay.

The local merchant makes only a legitimate profit upon his merchandise. Were he disposed to charge unreasonable prices, competition would not let him. The catalog houses may, and doubtless do, quote low prices, but taking into consideration the cost of transportation and the risks incurred as to quality, safe deliveries, etc., it pays to make the purchase at home.

When an order is sent to a catalog house the cash must either be sent or the goods must be paid for when delivered by the express company. It matters not how great your need or how pressed you are for funds, these so-called friends of the people, the catalog houses, will not credit you for a dollar. How different it is with your home merchant. When your crops are short, or sickness and misfortune overtake you, or your cash is exhausted, the local merchant comes to your rescue. He will supply your wants and wait one, three, or six months for the money. If the local merchant extends credit when you need it, should you not feel honor bound to spend your cash with him instead of sending off to Chicago or elsewhere? Furthermore, when you spend a dollar on the local market it remains at home and may come your way again, but when you send it a thousand miles away it is gone forever. Is it not better to contribute to the upbuilding of the home town than to the further enlargement of the congested cities?

Do You Get Up With a Lame Back?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.
Almost everyone knows of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because of its remarkable health restoring properties. Swamp-Root fulfills almost every wish in overcoming rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night.

Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble, it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been thoroughly tested in private practice, and has proved so successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper, who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root, and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble.

When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles are sold by all druggists. Don't make any mistake but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Large assortment of tablets, pencils, examination pads and school supplies of all kinds.
B. Timmons.

You cannot be too careful about the quality of canned goods you buy. Try our Nabob brand of corn and peas, and be convinced of their superior quality and excellence.
W. E. Lynch & Co.

Situation Not so Bad.

On our first page will be found a list of the counties that have applied for loans from the state sinking fund. Edgefield county being among them. An act filing this application was passed by the recent legislature. The county board of commissioners have not yet taken this matter up, but it is very probable that the necessary funds for liquidating the past indebtedness of the county will be obtained from the sinking fund, rather than resort to a bond issue for raising it. Unquestionably it will be the part of wisdom to adopt this method of paying these outstanding claims.

The writer has made some inquiry into the real status of the county's finances, and we are pleased to state that the situation is not so deplorable as it appeared some months ago. We have been informed semi-officially that all of last year's indebtedness to the banks has been paid except \$2,000, which will soon be paid; and that after all taxes levied for the year 1908 shall have been collected there will be five or six thousand dollars to be applied on unpaid county claims. This, together with the amount that can be borrowed from the sinking fund, will pay all claims against the county. There remains unpaid but one of the notes that were given for the steel bridge.

Yes, the great throng was but a great organ, and every hearer was but a string tuned and ready to respond to every touch, and send out praise, laughter, sobs, wails, smiles, and approvals. No man ever visited our city and won greater admiration than did Lou J. Beauchamp.—Sun, Paducah, Ky.

100 sets of buggy harness soon to arrive. Full assortment of carriage and wagon harness. We buy in large quantities and our patrons get the benefit of the advantages thus gained.

Ramsey & Jones.

Now that spring is here why not take up the worn out matting and cover your floor with new attractive matting. Call and let us show you our beautiful assortment.

Ramsey & Jones.

I desire to inform the ladies and the shopping public generally that our new spring goods are now arriving daily. We invite them to call and see our new offerings. Our goods were all purchased before the recent rise and our customers get the benefit of the low price.
J. W. Peak.

In a Strange Land.

Two belated disciples of Bacchus straggled arm-in arm up Walnut street about 3 o'clock the other morning says the Philadelphia Record. The street was dark, except for a single ground glass globe that blazed in front of an apartment house. One of the inebriates, spying this lone light, observed:
"Oh, look at the moon."
The other seriously contradicted him, saying: "That ain't monsh, zash sun."

This started an argument, which lasted for several minutes, as to whether the globe was the moon or the sun. Finally they decided to leave it to the first passerby, who happened to be another "happy" gentleman. They stopped him, and pointing to the globe, asked:
"Settle an argument, old pal: is that the moon or the sun?"

The third party stared knowingly at the globe for several minutes before he shook his head and replied:
"Gentlemen, I really couldn't tell you I'm a stranger in this town."

The celebrated soprano was in the middle of her solo when little Johnny said to his mother, referring to the conductor of the orchestra.
"Why does that man hit at the woman with his stick?"
"He is not hitting at her," replied his mother. "Keep quiet."
"Well, then, what is she hollerin' so for?"—Success.

Try our "Morning Glory" roasted coffee for 25 cents per pound or our celebrated "White Star" coffee at 20 cents.
Penn & Holstein.

Let us supply you with garden seed. We sell both Buist's and Ferry's seed. Either will give perfect satisfaction.
B. Timmons.

Near Death in Big Pond.

It was a thrilling experience to Mrs. Ida Soper to face death. "For years a severe lung trouble gave me intense suffering," she writes, and several times nearly caused my death. All remedies failed and doctors said I was incurable. Then Dr. King's New Discovery brought quick relief and a cure so permanent that I have not been troubled in twelve years. Mrs. Soper lives in Big Pond, Pa. It works wonders in coughs and colds, sore lungs, hemorrhages, grippe, asthma, croup, whooping cough and all bronchial affections. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by W. E. Lynch & Co., Penn & Holstein, successors to G. L. Penn & Son, drug stores.

Millinery Opening

We extend to the ladies of Edgefield and vicinity a cordial invitation to visit our store on Wednesday and Thursday March the 24 and 25th. On these days we will have our Spring Millinery Opening. We will have on display our pattern hats and all the latest novelties in the millinery line.

Rives Bros.

No Land So Rich That Fertilizer Cannot Make It Better
You use fertilizers for the profit you get out of them—and the better the land the more profitably a good fertilizer can be used on it. Do not imagine because land will produce a fair crop without
Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers
that these fertilizers cannot be profitably used on it, or that they were made only for land too poor to produce without them. If poor land will show a normal increase when fertilizer is used, good land will show at least double the increase. Use Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers to increase the quality, as well as the quantity of the crop—and you will increase the profits from your land.
"I have been using your fertilizers for a number of years" says Mr. William Fraiser, of Glasburg, La., "and find that it not only pays to fertilize, but to do plenty of it, and use the best fertilizers to be had, such as your brands. I have used a number of them and found them to be as recommended and to give better results than any other fertilizers that I have ever used."
Every planter and farmer should have a copy of the new 1909 Virginia-Carolina Farmers' Year-Book. Get a free copy from your fertilizer dealer, or write our nearest sales office.
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.
Sales Offices
Richmond, Va.
Norfolk, Va.
Columbia, S. C.
Atlanta, Ga.
Savannah, Ga.
Memphis, Tenn.
Sales Offices
Durham, N. C.
Charleston, S. C.
Baltimore, Md.
Columbus, Ga.
Montgomery, Ala.
Sikeeport, La.

Honor Roll Edgefield Graded School.

For month ending March 19th. 6th grade: Adelia Britt. Broadway, Ida McManns, Ada McManus. Blondelle Hart made highest average.
High Seventh: William Ozts, Nell Jones, Georgia May Wates, May Tompkins, June Rainsford, Katherine Mims, Wallace Roper. Georgia-May Wates made the highest average.
Low Seventh: Gill Dunovant, Florence Peak, Thelma Bailey, Helen Tillman. Helen Tillman made the highest average.

Fresh shipment of Nunnally's candies and bon bons just received by express.
Penn & Holstein.

Insurance

I now represent a strong line of Fire Insurance Companies and can insure your property. Your patronage will be appreciated.
H. A. Smith.

Candidate for Mayor.

In view of the fact that Mr. C. E. May has for business reasons handed in his resignation as Mayor of the town of Edgefield to take effect April 15th, I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the position. My business is such that I can devote almost my entire time to the duties of the office and pledge my services to the best of my ability.
John R. Tompkins.

Cotton Seed Meal and Hulls.

I take this means of notifying my friends and the public that I keep a large supply of fresh Cotton Seed Meal and Hulls constantly on hand and can fill their orders at reasonable prices. Warehouse near site of old depot. Your patronage solicited.
A. M. Timmerman.

DON'T BACK AWAY.
We have something to sell. Drop in and let us spill a little chatter about a good thing, you can take it or leave it according as it hits you and no expense bill either way.
I am the Carriage Dealer, took it up long ago. I have sold enough nice work each succeeding year to qualify as the Leader in my Line. Now you can hear about me One-Hundred and Fifty Miles from my buggy shack in any direction you go, and when it comes to what is what in anything you hitch a horse to;—pardon me for starting the applause,—but I'm the greatest noise in the country.
Remember the quartette—BACCOCK, CHASE, FRAZIER AND
Coskery.
At 749 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia

The Corner Store's New Spring Wearables
We begin with the men's and boys 4 in-hand ties. They are beautiful, yes, they are cheap—yes, their values from 25c and up are; we will say, with the boldest modesty we can muster, that they are the best values and form the loveliest designs ever shown by a store of our size. They do credit to a full fledged city store. See them as you enter the store to you right in the first case.
SECOND, We are delighted to tell you our new Spring Ankle Ties are just here, in Tans, Browns and Patents.
We want you to come and glance through, as cold type, fixed by the adept printer in most fetching terms can never express their real beauty.
THIRD, but by no means all, we name a few specials in .27 inch Voils, Pongees, Rajas, Dotted Swiss, Seco Silks, and on to the dainty wearables at 5c yard.
THE CORNER STORE,
W. H. Turner, Proprietor.

We Sell the Following Reliable Brands of FERTILIZERS
W. W. Adams & Co.,
General Hardware,
Now is the time to apply Soda & Cerealite.
Baldwin's
Bradley's
Baugh's
Etiwan
Palmetto
Peruvian
Swift's
Nitrate Soda
Muriate Potash
Cerealite
German Kainit
C. S. Meal
Dried Blood.
Apply Soda and Cerealite Now
W. W. Adams & Co.,
Plantation Supplies,
which we can sell you for less than mill price. Don't tell anybody, but we have 500 Barrels of Flour
Little Joe Harrows
Acme Harrows
Avery's Smoothing Harrows
Avery's Disc Harrows
Dow Law Cotton Planter
Harriman Cottonseed Dropper
Gant Gano Distributor
Gant Cotton Planter
Palmetto or Pot Cotton Planter
John Deere No. 80 Cotton and Corn Planters
Cole Gano Distributors
Cole Cotton and Corn Planters
The Following Agricultural Implements
Nothing too Small
Nothing too Large
For us to buy for you if you only command us.
W. W. ADAMS & CO.