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How empty learning, how vain is art,
but as it mends the life and guides
the heart.—YOUNG.

Manufacturers of cotton goods curtail production in order to keep the price up. Now is the time for farmers to plan a curtailment of production, if they would likewise keep up the price of the raw material.

As the lawmakers are not directly accountable to the people this year, there is some danger of their becoming extravagant in increasing salaries and appropriating public funds for this or that purpose. Go slow gentlemen, the taxpayers are already very heavily burdened.

Attend Meeting of Association.

Unless providentially kept away, every white teacher in the county should attend the meeting of the teachers' association to be held next Saturday at the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute. By an exchange of ideas, methods and experiences, teachers are better equipped for their work. Teachers who are altogether indifferent, taking no stock in those things that better fit them for their work, have missed their calling, and are not really earning the salary they receive, however small it may be. We want to see the teachers of this county wide-awake, active, and alert for more improved methods, etc.

Teachers, you can not afford to be indifferent. Your efficiency and the quality of work you are doing will be judged, in a measure at least, by the interest you manifest in the teachers association.

Not Fully Compensated For Service.

The rural free delivery carriers are a hard-worked, faithful set of men who are not receiving compensation commensurate with the service they render to the government. But we are pleased to see that there is a disposition on the part of those "higher up" to give this faithful army of employees the consideration due them. The fourth assistant postmaster general recommends in his annual report that all rural free delivery carriers be paid their regular salary when injured in the service and that in the event of death from injury their legal representative be paid a certain sum.

While this of itself does not mean a great deal to the carrier, as a man never likes to die to win, yet it shows that even the officials feel that these public servants should be shown greater consideration by the government than they are receiving at present. Later on we expect to see a raise in the regular salary of the rural carriers.

Better to Err on Side of Mercy.

A lad who had been led astray was convicted of theft in Columbia last week and sentenced to six months at hard labor. But on account of the boy's youth the presiding judge suspended sentence during good behavior, expressing the belief that, if given a chance, the lad would yet make a man of himself.

We heartily commend the spirit that actuated the Court in not dealing harshly with the youthful criminal. The hardened criminal who goes deliberately into transgression should not go unwhipped of justice, suiting the punishment to the gravity of the crime, but it is better to err on the side of mercy in dealing with the boy who can be reclaimed from a life of crime and wickedness.

If there is a spark of true manhood in the unfortunate Columbia boy's breast, it will be fanned into a flame by the kindly words and merciful dealing of the presiding judge.

Small Thrifty Farmers Needed.

The great need of Edgefield county—possibly its greatest need—is an influx of thrifty farmers to purchase and improve the thousands of acres of undeveloped land. Several hundred small farmers could settle within a radius of five miles of Edgefield without crowding each other in the least. Instead of being from three to five miles apart, as at present in some cases, were farm houses located in sight of each other along the public roads leading from Edgefield think of the increased volume of business of the town and of the improved condition of the churches and schools.

A large farmer remarked to the writer a few days ago that most landowners in this county are overburdened with land, and as a result an effort is made to plant more to the plow than can be properly cultivated. He stated further that he would be glad to see a law enacted that prohibited the planting of more than ten acres to each horse or mule. If many of these large tracts, much of which is now waste or temporarily abandoned land, were cut up into small tracts and sold to thrifty, energetic farmers this old county would soon blossom as the rose.

In his letter in last Sunday's State, written from Palestine, Mr. Frank G. Carpenter said:
"There are but few farms of large size in the Holy Land. The chief cultivated patches on the mountains are those which have been cleared of

trees. They are often not bigger than bed quilts and seldom contain more than three or four acres. Such fields frequently have stone walls about them. Down in the valleys and on the plains of the Philistines the farms are not separated by fences and they are of a much greater extent. They are planted to wheat, beans and barley and grow luxuriant crops. One of the interesting scenes of the wheat fields is often referred to in the Bible. This is pulling the tares, the seeds of which, if left, will make the flour bitter. Gangs of girls are engaged in this business all over Palestine. Each gang works under an overseer, and the girls bend half double as they pull the weeds from the wheat. I am told that enemies sometimes sow tares in the wheat, as is described in the parable of the wheat and the tares as uttered by Jesus."

Suppose the farms of this county "seldom contained more than three or four acres." We would have intensive farming sure enough then.

It is believed that the advertisement that South Carolina has received in the north and northwest through her record of corn production will turn the tide of immigration in this direction. Let us hope so.

Called to Columbia.

A committee of gentlemen came over from Columbia Sunday evening last and extended a call to Dr. C. E. Burts from the First Baptist church of that city. The action of the church was a surprise to Dr. Burts, as he had no intimation that such a call was contemplated. He has the matter under careful consideration and will notify the Columbia committee of his decision within a few days. The Columbia call has caused the members of the Baptist church here very deep concern. A number of the male members of the church held a conference with Dr. Burts Tuesday afternoon, urging him, if possible, to remain here in Edgefield, as his work here has not been finished. He did not then intimate what his decision would be, stating that he had the matter under consideration and would decide as early as possible. He expressed sincere appreciation of the uniform kindness of the people of this community and said that it would grieve him greatly to have to leave Edgefield, should duty take him away. The people of Edgefield, irrespective of church affiliation, are exceedingly anxious for Dr. and Mrs. Burts to remain in Edgefield.

Pleasant Lane News.

We have been silent since the merry Yuletide, but we want you to know that we are still here, and that we enjoyed the Xmas holidays to the utmost. All of the teachers here went to their homes, but the merry school girls came in to take their places, so the Pleasant Lane people had a merry Xmas. All is changed the now. The teachers have resumed their duties, "school-bells and hickory" and the school girls have returned to different schools. The same old routine of life, and we wish for each and every one a bright and prosperous New Year.

Mrs. Mollie Hagood and two little children are spending some time with her brother, Mr. F. L. Timman. She has been in ill health for several months, and we hope that she'll be much improved ere she leaves our town.

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Doolittle died last evening at their home near here. The bereaved parents have our deepest sympathy in this hour of sorrow, and we can only ask them to look to Him who wounds and is able and willing to heal. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Tymmerman have recently moved to their new home and we hope that they will be much pleased with the change. Mr. and Mrs. Rearden have also moved into our midst and seem much pleased in their new home.

Miss Effie Connelly went to her home near Epworth last Friday p. m., and stayed until Sunday evening.

The members of McKendree church are charmed with Mr. Foster Spear, their new preacher. We wish him all success in his work this year.

The Holiness sect had three services in the community last Sunday. Mr. Clark conducted the services and quite a crowd was present.

Mrs. Savannah Timmerman has been quite ill for the past week. Glad to report a slight improvement in her condition, and we hope she'll soon be up again.

"Neb."

An Act of Necessity.

A correspondent writes in to correct a story printed in this paper several days ago. "In that snake story I sent you," he complains, "you made one mistake. I told you that the snake was twenty feet long and you had it only ten feet long."

We are sorry for this, but the error was unavoidable. We were very much crowded for space when we used the story and we had to cut everything down.

"I'm sorry, Pat, but I cannot be your wife," said Bridget, after Pat had proposed.

"Why not?" asked Pat, with a note of sadness in his voice.

"Well, Pat, I suppose I must tell you thru the I'm a somnambulist."

"A what?"

"Sure, and that won't make any difference. You can go to your church and I'll go to mine."—Top Notch Magazine.

PARKSVILLE NEWS.

Public Installation of W. O. W. Officers. Facts Connected With History of Camp B. Y. P. U. Officers.

Parksville is exceedingly quiet now, having resumed the usual activities, with renewed energies, so to speak; the farmer to his field, the merchant taking stock, the banker to his desk, and the doctor in the mud, the teachers at the helm, one and all looking forward with bright hopes for a prosperous year. It is well, and may God grant that all these hopes may be realized.

The Woodmen of the World held a public meeting in their new hall over the bank Tuesday night, January 3rd, at which time said hall was christened, and the new officers publicly installed. The public were invited and our gallant and chivalrous young Woodmen amply provided refreshments for our female visitors which seemed to be enjoyed to the utmost. One of the retiring officers brought out the fact that our camp is in its 13th year, reading the names of the charter members, sadly referring to the fact, that six esteemed names have dropped out, having joined the silent majority over whose earthly remains appropriate monuments have been erected. These honored names are as follows: W. A. D. Blackwell, W. H. Goddard, P. C. Reynolds, J. C. Bussey, J. L. Stone and L. F. Dorn.

The organization is justified from the fact, that no member is any poorer by having joined and we have paid the beneficiaries, thirteen thousand dollars besides contributing to sick Woodmen, and erecting six monuments, at a cost of one hundred dollars each. It is a striking and remarkable fact, that three of these sovereigns lost their lives by accident. Sovereign J. C. Bussey was killed by an engine while manfully trying to remove his hand car off the track after the hands had deserted it. Sov. P. C. Reynolds went down to his death in that terrible catastrophe on the St. Lawrence river in Canada when that world renowned bridge gave way, and all remember the death of Sov. Dorn at Trenton S. C., by a terrible and unaccountable accident. These are some facts that should stimulate and encourage Woodmen.

Sov. E. N. Edmunds is now at the head of the W. O. W. in our town with Rev. T. H. Garrett second in command, and we predict a successful year. Sov. C. Robertson was elected a delegate to the head camp meeting in Sumter to be held in March.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Hattie Bussey Gilchrist, oldest daughter of the Rev. G. W. Bussey, is on a visit to her old home, friends and kindred hereabouts.

Sunday school here yesterday was largely attended and we were glad to see Miss Lucile Seigler from Rehoboth in the audience.

Mr. Willie Whately from Rehoboth, and Milledge Strom from Cleora are visiting friends, sweethearts and relatives in this town.

Mrs. Redd and a friend from Augusta are visiting Mrs. Redd's father of our vicinage; Mr. Thos. Barrett.

Miss Sadie Smith left this morning for her post of duty, that of stenographer, in the city of Atlanta.

I am sorry to report that the health of Mr. Rheube Smith is in a precarious condition and fears are entertained as to his recovery.

Miss Ellie Rich whom we reported as quite sick of typhoid fever is we trust, some better.

Miss Mary Middleton Bell who has been spending awhile with her cousin in this town returned to her home in Meriwether Saturday.

Mr. Hoyt Cartledge from North Carolina is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Virginia Stone.

Mr. Luther B. Stone is at home on a furlough. He has a lucrative position on the C. & W. C. railroad.

There was a large crowd out last night at the Baptist church in attendance upon our B. Y. P. U. meeting, the subject being Sin. Misses Maggie Mae Robertson and Carrie Cotton, and Mr. Dan A. Bell read appropriate selections.

The present president having filled the office for ten consecutive years, and declining re-election in the hope of developing a younger man, brother Wallace M. Robertson was elected president and J. G. Parks, vice-president and D. N. Dorn secretary and treasurer.

More Anon.

Saves Two Lives.

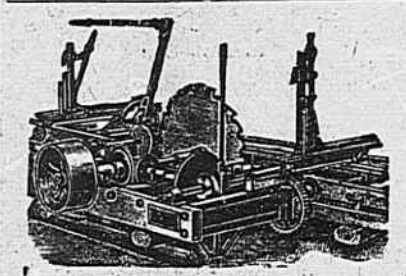
"Neither my sister nor myself might be living to-day, if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery," writes A. D. McDonald of Fayetteville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 8, for we both had frightful coughs that no other remedy could help. We were told my sister had consumption. She was very weak and had night sweats but your wonderful medicine completely cured us both. It's the best I ever used or heard of." For sore lungs, coughs, colds, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup, whooping cough—all bronchial troubles—its supreme. Trial bottle free. 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Penn & Holstein, W E Lynch & Co., B Timmons.

Beautiful Suits of Rooms.

Dr. James S. Byrd has recently purchased new furniture, new rugs and art squares for his dental rooms over the post office. His reception room is especially elegant and inviting. Besides his regular operating room, Dr. Byrd has recently fitted up a comfortable room for his colored patrons. We heartily commend his progressive spirit.

Solves a Deep Mystery.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C B Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism, from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters has no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50c at Penn & Holstein, W E Lynch & Co., B Timmons.



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Master's Sale

State of South Carolina, Edgefield County Court of Common Pleas

H. W. McKie et. al.,—against—G. A. McKie et. al.

Pursuant to the decree in this cause I will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, before the Court House, town of Edgefield, and State of South Carolina on sales day in February 1911 (the same being 6th day of said month) between the legal hours of sale, the following described realty, to wit:

All that tract of land, situate in said County and State, containing two hundred and forty-three (243) acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by the land of W. K. McKie, on the east by land of A. S. G. Miller, on the south by land of G. A. McKie, and on the west by land of J. B. McKie.

Terms of sale Cash. The land has been rented for the year 1911, and the land will be sold subject to the lease, but the purchaser shall be entitled to the rents and profits of the land for the year 1911 under the lease.

Purchaser to pay for papers. W. F. Roath, Master E. C., S. C.

Jan. 11, 1911.

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