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REVISE SCHOOL LAWS.

Superintendent Swearingen Outlines His Recommendations in Annual Report School Auditor Wanted.

Columbia, December 30.—In addition to recommending that the State summer school be re-established, State Superintendent of Education Swearingen asks the legislature to adopt the report of the educational commission appointed at the last session of the general assembly. The commission has worked ardently to revise the school laws and the report will soon be given to the public.

In a statement issued today Mr. Swearingen sums up his recommendations under ten heads, as follows: Summary of Recommendations.

1. That the report of the educational commission to revise the school law be adopted.

2. That the term extension and building appropriations be renewed.

3. That the apportionment of the constitutional tax of three mills be based on average of attendance instead of on ten days' enrollment.

4. That the report of the commission on agricultural education be adopted.

5. The proper support be given the work of the state supervisor of elementary rural schools, recently appointed by this department.

6. That the restriction of State aided high schools to towns of less than 2,500 population be removed and that the maximum amount allowed the high schools of any one county be raised.

7. That the right of independent text book adoption be withdrawn from all special school districts.

8. That a uniform scholarship law be enacted for Winthrop, Clemson, the University and the Citadel.

9. That the state summer school for teachers be re-established.

10. That this department be given a suitable and permanent office, an adequate printing fund and a school auditor.

Results Sought.
The commission on agricultural education recommends that agriculture be taught in the schools and not that separate agricultural schools be established.

The work done by Prof. W. K. Tate is appreciated by the State Superintendent, as shown by the recommendation that proper support be given.

The High School Act is important and the recommendation there to show that so many schools have been aided that the good work is recognized and ought to be continued and improved.

A school auditor is a new recommendation.

Woman's Missionary Rally.
(Contributed).

It has been the custom for several years for the Edgefield Baptist missionary society to prepare a program to which all societies of the association are invited.

Such an occasion was held on Wednesday last. Invitations had been extended to all the societies and as the day was ideal, quite an encouraging delegation was present, the following churches being represented: Antioch, Berea, Edgefield, Horn's Creek, Red Hill, Mt. Zion, Trenton and Red Oak Grove.

Rev. W. H. Canada, who has been for a number of years in Brazil, but who is at home for a season of rest at the Margaret Home in Greenville was the guest of honor, and made a very interesting and instructive talk.

Mrs. J. R. Tompkins added very much to the general pleasure of the day by her beautiful music on the pipe organ and a very inspiring cornet solo by Rev. P. P. Blalock with pipe organ accompaniment, was a novel feature of the program.

At the recess hour trays of delightful luncheon were served to all present which included a number of the brethren. An hour of very pleasant social enjoyment thus very quickly passed away.

The afternoon service made a beginning in a very beautiful vocal solo by Miss Eliza Mims, with pipe organ accompaniment by Mrs. Mamie N. Tillman. Mrs. W. J. Hatcher of Johnston was then called upon to delight the children by a talk to them on African missions. This she did in her own inimitable way.

In some associations, these rally days are held once a year, and Edgefield association hopes to inaugurate this idea. Red Hill has partially promised to prepare for another such meeting in April. This is in keeping with Red Hill's progressive spirit.

That church had the honor of entertaining the first convention of the woman's missionary union in Edgefield association.

JOHNSTON LETTER.

Arrangements Being Made For Robert E. Lee's Celebration, Interesting Meeting of The New Century Club.

Mrs. L. M. Clark and Miss Ione Clark, have gone to Harlem, Ga., to visit the family of Mr. Charlie Yonce.

Miss Mary Watkins, of Chappells, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. P. Lott.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Asbill have returned from a two weeks' visit to Ellenton.

Mr. Garland Coleman returned to Florida, last week where he holds a position.

Misses Sara Serotta and Celia Golden; of Augusta, have been guests of friends here.

Mr. N. M. Sawyer has purchased from Mr. W. E. Lott, his farm located near town.

A most interesting meeting of the new century club was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. White on last Wednesday afternoon. The membership of the club is limited to 20, and they are very enthusiastic in the work. The subject for discussion was "Scotland," and Dr. W. S. Dorset gave a very interesting talk, having spent awhile in this country. The views that he exhibited made the talk all the more interesting.

In the early spring a banquet will be given by the club each having the privilege of extending one invitation.

Mr. J. H. White has bought out the stock of J. Neal Lott, instead of LaGrone Bros. as we stated in last week's issue.

Mr. M. T. Turner suffered a loss on last Thursday, by the death of one of his best horses. While hitched to a hauling wagon, on Main street, one of the horses was frightened, and the team ran as far as Warren Hill's and after crossing the creek, turned into an out road, where the tongue of the wagon struck a tree, and broke in two, the front part flying back and piercing the horse's body. The team had been followed, and were in time to save the other horse by cutting loose the collar. He fell, also, and the collar had almost choked him to death.

Mrs. Willie Tompkins, who has been sick for the past three weeks, is able to be up.

Messrs. A. J. and Julian Mobley have gone to Florida for a month's stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Merchant left last week for Greenwood where they will make their future home.

Mrs. L. S. Milford went to Ellenton, Ga., to attend the burial of her sister Mrs. C. L. Anderson, whose death was sudden. About a month ago, Mrs. Anderson's husband was killed from an electric shock.

Mr. Jack A. Lott spent last week in Hickory, N. C.

Mrs. Charles Merry, and children, of Augusta, were here this week.

Mrs. C. D. Kenny went to Lake City, Florida, Thursday to attend a family re-union.

A most enthusiastic meeting of the D. of C., was held on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Becham, the membership now numbering 55. Arrangements were made at this time for the celebration of Gen. R. E. Lee's birthday, January 19th. On this day, the veterans will be the guest of the chapter, and an elegant luncheon will be given them. The program arranged promises to be the best yet, and the occasion will be had at the home of Mrs. M. T. Turner, vice president of chapter.

Mr. Sheppard Jones, of Ridge Spring, was a visitor here this week.

Mr. Bartow Wash, of Sumter, is here for a few days.

Mrs. Claud Wertz, is in North Augusta, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. Welling, of Darlington, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. D. J. LaGrone.

Mr. F. S. Pension, of Ware Shoals, visited at the home of Mr. W. T. Mobley, this week.

Mrs. B. L. Allen went to the Augusta hospital last Tuesday for medical treatment, and is improving.

Mr. M. M. Payne was a visitor here this week.

Tough on the Senators.
The wit of Bishop Seth Ward amuses Nashville frequently.

Bishop Ward, in company with two senators, came forth from a Nashville reception the other day and entered a waiting motor car.

"Ah, Bishop said one of his companions, "you are not like your Master. He was content to ride an ass."

"Yes; and so should I be," Bishop Ward answered, "but there's no such animal to be got nowadays. They make them all Senators."

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
Executive Department.

1900.

WHEREAS, a petition was filed in my office on the seventeenth day of May nineteen hundred and ten, signed by more than one-third of the qualified electors of that portion of Aiken and Edgefield Counties living within the boundary of the lines of the proposed new county, herein after set out asking to be allowed to vote upon the question of the formation of a new County covering the territory therein set out, and which original petition has been twice amended, the last amendment allowed by me being on the fifth of November nineteen hundred and ten, and the territory now sought to be embraced in the proposed new County is as follows, to wit:

"Beginning at a point in the middle of the Savannah River just above the mouth of Dorton's Creek, and about three-fourths of one mile above the western boundary line of Washington Township in Edgefield County; thence a straight line to the intersection of the said Township line and Big Steven's Creek at or near Parkville Bridge; thence down the run of said Big Steven's Creek with its various courses, for a distance of thirty thousand feet; thence a straight line S. 74 E. a distance of thirty-three thousand feet, crossing the Martin town road near Collier's; thence a straight line S. 36 E. a distance of two thousand two hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 50 E. to the division line between Edgefield and Aiken Counties; thence up and along said division line to the point of its intersection with the line as passing within two hundred feet of a circle, with Edgefield Court House as its center radius of eight miles; thence adopting said line and continuing to a point thirteen thousand five hundred feet east of Little Horse Creek near the head of Sages Mill Pond; thence S. 26 W. eight thousand feet; thence S. 20 W. five thousand feet; thence S. 13 W. five thousand feet; thence S. 6 W. five thousand feet; thence S. 84 W. a distance of five hundred feet to the Graniteville Road; thence along said road with its various courses five thousand seven hundred and twenty feet; thence S. 16 W. five hundred and ninety-five feet; thence S. 29-30 W. seven thousand feet; thence S. 85-90 W. three thousand feet, crossing Clear Water Pond; thence S. 29-30 W. twenty-six hundred and fifty feet; thence S. 4-30 W. twenty-two hundred feet; thence S. 18-30 W. three hundred fifty-five feet to the Hamburg and Barnwell Road; thence along said road with its various courses to its intersection with the Pine Log road; thence along said Pine Log road with its various courses for a distance of fifteen hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 87-90 E. a distance of eight thousand five hundred feet; thence N. 76-30 E. a distance of seven thousand nine hundred feet, passing to the right of the McElmees' chalk bed and to the left of Smith's house; thence a straight line for a distance of fourteen thousand five hundred feet, crossing Towns Creek, and at its nearest point forty-two thousand four hundred and fifty feet from Aiken Court House building; thence a straight line to its intersection with Silver Bluff road to a point forty-two thousand four hundred and forty feet from said Aiken Court House building; thence the said Silver Bluff road with its various courses for a distance of seven thousand five hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 61 E. a distance of seven thousand five hundred feet; passing between Padgett's house on the right and Harden's house on the left, and crossing Hollow Creek at a point about five hundred feet south of McElmees' Mill; thence a straight line N. 88 E. a distance of five hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 78 E. a distance of three thousand two hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 46 E. a distance of four thousand five hundred feet, and passing the house of Ezekiel Boyd to the right; thence a straight line S. 25-30 E. a distance of ten thousand five hundred feet, passing the house of Butler Boyd to the right; thence a straight line S. 1-30 W. a distance of six thousand five hundred feet, passing the houses of George Toole, Robert Key and W. T. Green to the right; thence a straight line S. 56 E. a distance of seven thousand two hundred and fifty feet, passing the houses of Eddy Boyd and Jacob Widener to the right; thence a straight line S. 36 a distance of eight thousand feet, passing the houses of Ben Boyd and Fred Toole, and Hamp Widener to the right; thence a straight line S.

6 E. a distance of twelve hundred feet; thence a straight line S. 14 E. to its intersection with an old public road, passing the houses of W. Beaufort to the right; thence along said old public road with its various courses for a distance of three thousand six hundred feet; thence a straight line N. 56 E. a distance of thirty-eight hundred feet, passing the house of R. E. Stallings to the right; thence N. 59 E. a distance of four thousand five hundred feet, passing the houses of Andrew Enbanks, Ben Key and Edgefield Toole to the right; thence a straight line N. 30 E. to its intersection with the said Hamberg and Barnwell road, near Treadway Bridge, and passing the house of Maxey Toole to the right, and the house of B. R. Green to the left, thence along said road with its various courses to its intersection with Tinker Creek; thence down said Tinker Creek with its various courses to its intersection with Kennedy's Mill Creek; thence up the said Kennedy's Mill Creek with its various courses to its intersection with the Barnwell County line; thence the said Barnwell County line, the line to the middle of the Savannah River; thence the median line of the Savannah River, the line to the beginning point.

And Whereas, Commissioners were appointed as required by the Act of 1869 to ascertain and report upon the allegations contained in the survey and a map of the territory proposed to be embraced in the new County, which map was filed in my office and contains and embraces the territory above set forth.

And Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction that the boundaries of the proposed new County, the number of inhabitants, the taxable property, and the proposed lines do not run nearer than eight miles to any Court House building now established by law.

And Whereas, the report

and for the said County of Edgefield respectively.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at [L. S.] Columbia, S. C., this 7th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven and in the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-fifth.

M. F. ANSEL,
Governor.

By the Governor,
R. M. McCown, Sec'y of State.

Managers of Heyward Election.

Modoc—B. M. Bussey, N. W. McDaniel, Walter Reece.

Colliers—D. T. Mathis, John Pardue, Tom Adams.

Meriwether—Walter Cheatham, H. F. Cooper, W. J. Williams.

Come for Boxes January 28th 1911.

E. J. Norris, Chairman,
J. V. Cooper,

State and County Board of Elections, Edgefield S. C.

Jan. 17, 1911.

Schenk-Holmes Marriage.

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Mr. Cornelius V. Holmes of Red Hill, and Miss Mattie Lee Schenk, were married at the home of the bride in west Edgefield. The occasion was very pleasant and a number of guests were present. The ceremony was both simple and tasteful. As soon as congratulations had been said the guests were regaled

with a collation.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Mims of Edgefield.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Cooper of Edgefield.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. T. Littlejohn.

The bride and groom were accompanied by their parents and a number of friends.

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LETTUCE CULTURE.

Rev. Mr. Shannonhouse Tells How to Have This Delicious Vegetable During the Winter Months.

The following timely and very interesting article on the growing of lettuce was written by Rev. R. G. Shannonhouse, rector of the Episcopal church and published in Monday's News and Courier:

At this season of the year, as I mentioned in a former article, there are thousands of well-to-do people in South Carolina who have no fresh vegetables to eat, except collards, unless of course, they buy them at the stores. And yet they long for something "green" and refreshing, more refreshing than collards and hog jowl.

One of the green things that they might be eating from their own garden this month, indeed, every month from October until May, is lettuce. It is pre-eminently a winter vegetable, which will grow outside through the worst kind of weather. A neighbor says that he used it from his own garden all through last winter without any protection whatever. In my own garden there is a considerable plot of it unprotected, which was sown last October and November, and looks very healthy and green now, after surviving very hard freezes. But it has not grown to any considerable size and shows no signs of heading yet. So I am more than ever of the notion that, while it may head yet in warm weather, it would have headed long ago in a cold frame, or under canvas or cloth cover. A little farther south, or in the low country, it may head in the open from this time on without having been sheltered at all, but the uplander can hardly make it.

Grown Under Glass.

Farther North, all the way into

the State of New York, it is a very new thing. The trucking and market gardening industry, while it has been a great thing in some sections, is as yet poorly developed in most of the South, although the demand for first-class fruits and vegetables is almost everywhere unsatisfied.

With this new understanding of the possibilities of home gardening in adding to the pleasures of home life, and of the profits of market gardening, the South is bound to become a land noted for its gardens just as it is now notorious for its lack of them. The time has come to substitute real gardens, fertile tracts, well enclosed, well cared for, providing something good to eat every day in the year, for the summer patch of beans and roasting ears and the winter patch of collards or turnips.—Progressive Farmer.

The Attraction.

English Girl—You American girls have not such healthy complexions as we have. I cannot understand why our nobleman take a fancy to your white faces.

American Girl—It isn't our white faces that attract them, my dear, it's our greenbacks.

Singleton—Do you believe in the old adage about marrying in haste and repenting at leisure?

Wedderly—No, I don't. After a man marries he has no leisure.—Smart Set.

hustling Westerners. He was much attracted by the opportunities of growing lettuce and other "truck," but he was a cotton farmer and is still hesitating. How many others are still hesitating, while resourceful, shrewd people from other sections are going into it and making fortunes. The situation reminds me of a hunting picture. One man had crossed a branch and was shooting birds on the other side a hundred yards away. The other man with his dog was looking for a good place to cross. The dog was whining and would almost get down into the water, then he would pull up and run back and forth on the bank. Finally the man started off and ran up stream several hundred yards till he found a jam of logs to cross on. The first man had had no such trouble. When his dog had pointed on the other side he had waded the stream, which was but a shallow stream after all.

R. G. Shannonhouse.

Edgefield, S. C.

LAND OF GARDENS.

The Farmer Should Have Something From His Garden or Orchard Every Day in the Year.

We have so many times in the last two or three years urged our readers to have a good garden, to make it an all-the-year-round garden, to grow small fruits, to have at least a small orchard, that we feel as if anything we can say on the subject must be largely repetition. This shall not prevent us, however, from saying it again: If you do not grow a supply of fruits and vegetables on your farm so that you need never go to the table without finding some food from garden or orchard, you are not living up to the opportunities which your farm offers you. We might add that if you have these fruits and vegetables and do not eat some of them every day, you are wonderfully unappreciative of the blessings of a kind Providence.

It is so easy to have these things, they are worth so much, from the standpoint of dollars and cents and from that of health, they add so much to the joy of living, that we cannot understand how any farmer can be content to do without them.

Most farms have some fruit trees on them, and on most farms there is some pretense at gardenmaking; but in the great majority of cases both orchard and garden have been regarded as small affairs and given little attention. It is only in recent years that most southern farmers have come to realize that it pays to plant fruit trees each year, and that when they have been planted it is absolutely necessary, if fruit is to be had from them, to care for them—to cultivate, fertilize, prune and spray. Farmers generally are just beginning to realize, too, that grapes and berries and all the long list of small fruits they can grow

thing on a small scale for private use. Although it is rather late now, still if one has plants that are alive, though standing still in his garden at this time, it might surprise him if he would take a few of them and put under glass, spaced twelve or fifteen inches, and well watered, to see how quickly they would develop.

Forcing lettuce under protection of glass has few difficulties. The plants after a week or two of settling and rooting should have plenty of moisture, and on warm days plenty of air. If the sun strikes them directly in warm weather, unless they are well aired, they may perish quickly. And on the other hand too much moisture in close confinement may cause them to "damp" off and rot. So also after they are heading they should be watered without wetting the leaves.

Again, the gardener who has no plants on hand now might sow seed for spring garden, and the seed might come up in a reasonable time. But the probability is that they would lie dormant for several weeks yet, without any actual benefit by the early planting. If on the other hand he will take the trouble to sow the seed in a box that can be kept in a warm room in the house with a southern exposure, and moved on the outside on very warm days he ought to have plants ready to set out in the garden three or four weeks earlier than he would otherwise. Very little "hardening" would be required, for lettuce, though apparently very tender will stand very cold weather, specially when young.

Headed lettuce will suffer more from a severe freeze, however. Two years ago, in Florida, in January, I saw an acre of beautiful lettuce, and early cabbage, black and rotting, from a severe freeze.

Soil Selection.

In selecting a place to grow lettuce always pick out a spot that has enough sand in it to make the soil mellow. Clay land that holds water and freezes outward, or "spews up" frost will not do. A rich, warm sandy soil is best.

So much has been written already about the commercial growing of lettuce, around Charleston and Beaufort, that we refrain from saying more. One of our farmers recently went to Beaufort to look things over and returned to tell remarkable stories of the fortunes being made out of lettuce, its possibilities, etc. But he intimated that the daring and enterprise and energy displayed there made him believe that the fortunate ones were not native South Carolinians, but

anyone left!" said the child.

A diminutive observer was asked why the Lord no longer strikes liars dead as he did Ananias and Sapphira.

"Because there wouldn't be scarce anyone left!" said the child.

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