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**LARGEST CIRCULATION IN EDGEFIELD COUNTY.**

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Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen and six, result happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pounds and six, result misery.—DICKENS.

Senator Tillman fought hard for another appropriation for the Charleston navy yard, but the Republicans out voted him.

Would you not be glad if elections and the scramble for office came only once in four years? The Advertiser would welcome the change, even if it did cost us a few extra dollars.

The S. C. C. I. has just issued a very artistic and highly creditable catalogue that is replete with information concerning this splendid institution. Prospective students can get one for the asking.

It is said Col. Roosevelt's speech before HIS convention in Chicago on the 5th of August will contain some great surprises. Hardly; the public is no longer surprised at anything he says or does.

Through a singular co-incidence a building in New York known as the Wilson Building has been engaged as national Democratic headquarters. After next March the White House in Washington will be the real Wilson Building.

By the time the half a hundred county candidates attend all of the picnics, barbecues, conventions and protracted meetings that are scheduled for the next thirty days they will either be dwarfed and dwindled dyspeptics or will have to place orders with their tailor for larger garments. Some of them have already let out their belts to the full limit.

To-morrow under the stately oaks of the old academy grove those who are seeking political honors will address a large number of Edgefield voters. Let us hope and put forth every effort to the end that at the close of the day there will be nothing to regret. In the years gone by many similar meetings have been conducted on the same spot in a dignified and orderly manner. Surely the people of this generation will not lower the standard set by their sires.

**A Good Prohibition Law.**

This splendid Union of ours may go to the 'demnition bow-wows' politically, but there are grounds for the belief that it is reasonably safe morally. A few days ago the House passed the senate bill prohibiting the transmission of prize fighting moving picture films from state to state, which practically eliminates their use altogether. As long as the public conscience is sufficiently awakened and quickened to make the passage of such a measure possible our country will not go altogether to the bad.

**Tariff a Heavy Burden.**

Gov. Woodrow Wilson struck the keynote when he said the iniquitous tariff has more to do with the high cost of living than any other one thing. Certain pet industries are being protected, which causes the consumers, the great masses of the people, to pay from 10 to 50 per cent more for many of the actual necessities than they should. In the cost of sugar alone, which is an article of daily consumption in every household, about 50 per cent of the money paid the grocer is for import duty on raw or crude sugar. For every \$1 paid for sugar only 70 cents worth of actual sugar is obtained.

This one item serves to show what an enormous burden is borne by the people without their actually realizing it. Were tariff levied for revenue only, the cost of living would be very materially reduced.

The Democratic party stands first, last, and all the time, for tariff reduction, and this plank alone should cause the people of every section of the Union to rally around its standard.

**One Crime Calls For Another.**

That a transgression of law or one crime not infrequently leads to another that is more aggravated, is shown by the recent murder of Herman Rosenthal, a noted gambler, in the heart of New York with the electric lights shining as bright as day.

It became known that Rosenthal contemplated giving information to the district attorney to the effect that certain public officials had been exacting heavy toll of him in order that he might have immunity from the law. Conscious of their guilt and knowing too that severe punishment would follow should the gambler "squeal" on them, these men, either with their own hands, or by proxy, murdered him.

After these sworn officers of the law had taken the first wrong step, that of accepting hush money from Rosenthal, it became necessary to commit a second and graver crime in order to cover up the first one.

**Board Acted Wisely.**

While The Advertiser has no direct interest in the matter, yet we were pleased to see the announcement to the effect that the board of trustees of Chicora college decided not to change the location of that institution. It is manifestly unjust to a town or city that has in season and out of season supported an institution loyally and generously to have it removed to another town simply upon the ground that the latter offers, temporarily, larger and more generous support.

Of course, there are occasionally good and sufficient reasons why the location of a college should be changed, but to put it on a basis of dollars and cents, or temporary support, is, to our mind, not alone a sufficient ground. Generally when such changes are made the prestige and standing of an institution suffer loss.

Such reasons as health, sanitation, in order to be more accessible to territory from which support or patronage is drawn, etc., are well founded; but to put an institution on the block and say, in effect, that it will be knocked down to the highest bidder, is too mercenary and commercial to be defensible.

**Heed The Timely Advice.**

Be careful what you say in talking politics. "Wounds made by words are hard to heal."—Laurens Herald.

The Advertiser not only wishes to heartily endorse the foregoing lines from our Laurens contemporary, but we wish to give its timely advice the widest possible circulation. How thoughtless and unwise it is—positively foolish, in fact—for people to say harsh things in discussing politics and politicians. Practically no good, and frequently much harm, results from these hastily spoken words. The safe and sane course to pursue, is to avoid all impassioned political discussions with everyone.

There are ninety-nine chances to one that Mr. A. will never convince his neighbor, Mr. B., that Mr. C. is better qualified for this or that office than Mr. D. Then what's the use of jeopardizing their friendship by making the attempt?

There is nothing on the top side of the earth in which most men are so "set in their ways" as they are in politics, and you had about as well try to lead a stubborn ox out of a branch a hot July day by a silk thread as to try to convince any hard-headed voter that his favorite candidate is not the acme of perfection.

The Good Book says Job "multiplied his words without knowledge." Well, that is just what everyone who discusses politics is prone to do—multiply words without knowledge. In our zeal and loyalty for our friend and favorite candidate, sometimes our reason gives way to rashness; then it is that we are liable to utter words that wound.

**Will Teach Music Class.**

After the first of August I will teach a class of several music pupils at my home in Buncombe. Will be pleased to confer with those desiring to take lessons in music. Emily B. Tompkins.

**Gas Light Plant For Sale.**

I offer for sale two 50-light Davis acetylene gas plants, together with four 3-light oxidized copper chandeliers and 14 single lights. Cost \$150; will sell for \$75. B. B. Jones.

**Card of Thanks.**

To all our relatives, friends and neighbors, who so kindly aided, and remembered us during our recent affliction, we beg to extend our heart-felt thanks. There are times when words will not express our feelings, and this is one of the times. May the Lord in His goodness bless you every one and may He be and abide with you, is the prayer of Mrs. P. R. Wates and family.

Large shipment of cut glass, sterling silver and jewelry by express. Sterling silver in sets or single pieces for weddings. Beautiful plush boxes for each piece. Ramsey & Jones.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

Meeting at Trenton.

This meeting will begin at Methodist church third Sunday in August to continue one or two weeks.

**To Any Not Interested.**

If you are not interested, but ought to be, in revival meeting soon to begin at Methodist church, come to preaching Sunday at 11, and at 8:30. Services will be preparatory to meeting which begins on first Sunday in August to continue from one to two weeks. Of course those who are most interested will be present without need of exhortation. Sunday school 10 o'clock.

J. R. Walker.

Dr. M. D. Jeffries' subjects for Sunday will be: "The Garden, a place for strengthening," for the morning, and "Christian Liberty," for the evening service.

**Electric Lights Being Installed.**

Mr. Harling and his assistants are now at work finishing the wiring and putting in the electric lights for the Methodist church. Mr. B. F. Zimmerman as a gift had already wired for the main lights. A handsome fifteen light chandelier in mottled Flemish finish will be in center of auditorium, one ball at ceiling at front and one at rear, a two light bracket for choir, a pulpit light, and a four light chandelier for Sunday school room. All the lights have frosted shades, and the pulpit light will not hurt your eyes. The interior of the church is being calcimined and painted. The ladies are putting in a handsome carpet.

**Death of Mrs. Thurmond.**

Just before closing our forms the information of the death of Mrs. Joseph Thurmond reached us. She died Tuesday at her home after a long illness, during which time she had been a great sufferer. The interment will take place at Hardy's church this afternoon at two o'clock. Mrs. Thurmond is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Willie Glover, Mrs. John Roper, and one son, Mr. J. A. Thurmond.

**Thomas A. Edison's Prediction About the Moving Picture.**

In an article in the August *World* man's Home Companion on moving pictures, the author commends the use of moving pictures by the churches, and shows how developments along that line will probably come. In the course of the article appear the following paragraphs presenting Mr. Thomas A. Edison's prediction relative to moving pictures:

"Mr. Edison, the inventor of the motion pictures, believes that their greatest effectiveness will be in education. He wants to make them an integral part of the public school system, and experiments are now being made in his home town, Orange, New Jersey. He now has operators in Africa with instructions to take everything from Cape Town to the mouth of the Nile, to be used in teaching geography. Mr. Edison's idea is that moving pictures will take the place of most of the text books below the ninth grade. He maintains that children will learn geography much more quickly and will have a more intelligent understanding through moving pictures, where they can see the actual country, the mountains and the rivers, the wild animals, the savage people at work and at play, and the life in the cities, than would be possible from text books.

"In so far as geography is concerned, Mr. Edison has an argument difficult to answer, although it is doubtful if it would ever be wise to do away with text books, but one can supplement the other. The inventor maintains that moving pictures can be used with equal effectiveness to teach history. He has already reproduced the battle of Lexington, and insists, with historical accuracy. Also he has reproduced Washington crossing the Delaware. The familiar painting of the latter exploit, so far as accuracy is concerned, is about the absurdest fiction that ever became established.

"Mr. Edison believes that with moving pictures he can teach almost anything in school except arithmetic. Maybe he is a little over-optimistic. And there is another important point which he does not discuss, and that is the effect of the moving pictures upon the eyes. The constant flicker is excessively trying to most of us, and it is absolutely necessary that, if moving pictures are introduced into schools, it shall be made certain that this constant vibration does not have any ill effect upon the sight of the pupils."

**APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL FUNDS FOR EDGEFIELD COUNTY 1912-13**

PRECINCTS	Number	Unexpended	Poll Tax	Dog Tax	3 mill con.	Special	Total
Blocker	1	\$131.76	\$180.00	\$70.00	\$528.00		\$909.76
Antioch	2	79.66	168.00	39.50	384.00	\$155.94	\$827.10
Red Hill	3	48.52	98.00	30.50	322.00	149.50	648.52
Flat Rock	4	59.85	49.00	15.00	112.00	107.68	343.53
Colliers	5	97.74	63.00	30.50	328.00	165.21	684.45
Liberty Hill	6	141.53	94.00	23.50	159.00	113.52	531.55
White Town	7	15.05	93.00	31.50	167.00	147.71	554.26
North Elmwood	8	95.50	90.00	27.50	255.00		468.00
South "	9	10.00	54.00	24.00	90.00		178.00
Haber	10	46.20	36.00	17.50	141.00		240.70
Johnston	11		395.00	80.50	886.00	2684.30	4045.80
North Meriwether	12	1.22	118.00	50.00	99.00		268.22
South "	13		91.00	49.00	131.00		261.00
Pickens	14	8.99	184.00	87.50	332.00		612.49
Plum Branch	15	33.11	156.00	48.00	517.00	666.98	1421.09
Shaw	16	9.61	135.00	37.50	198.00	461.83	841.94
Talbott	17	263.89	156.00	70.50	528.00	207.16	1235.55
Modoc	18	455.45	116.00	65.00	278.00	273.40	1187.85
Clark's Hill	19	1.53	103.00	46.50	197.00	273.40	621.43
Wards	20	20.15	243.00	73.50	483.00	254.91	1074.56
Wise	21	33.93	189.00	85.00	539.00		846.93
Moss	22	209.75	262.00	94.00	701.00	463.32	1730.07
Harmony	23		95.00	25.00	298.00		418.00
Fork	24	.43	71.00	32.50	228.00		331.93
Edgefield	25		332.00	74.50	868.00	1152.14	2426.64
Parksville	26	29.80	170.00	71.00	542.00	395.51	1208.31
Trenton	27		277.00	75.50	641.00	414.28	1407.78
Gregg	28		41.00	18.00	122.00		181.00
Meriwether Hall	29	120.00	153.00	70.50	215.00		558.50
N. h Plum Branch	30	44.21	115.00	37.00	186.00		382.21
wether	31	65.81	91.00	52.00	242.00		450.86
Ea Collier	32	5.37	99.00	37.50	121.00		262.87
Prescott	33	3.56	49.00	12.00	123.00	65.28	252.84
Bacon	34	19.97	155.00	58.00	335.00	403.43	971.40
Long Cane	35	113.17	86.00	35.50	245.00	155.38	635.05
Oak Grove	36	.04	63.00	25.00	252.00	92.81	432.85

W. W. FULLER, County Superintendent of Education.

**The Edgefield Signers of the Ordinance of Secession.**

It will only be possible in this paper to give a very meagre notice of each of these illustrious men. They were, Colonel James P. Carroll, Major Andrew J. Hammond, Colonel James C. Smiley, Colonel James Tompkins, William Gregg and General R. G. M. Dunovant. James Parsons Carroll.

Born in the city of Charleston this eminent lawyer spent his boyhood in Edgefield. He graduated at the South Carolina college, read law and was admitted to the bar in Columbia in 1830. Returning to Edgefield he opened an office which at first was not lucrative—by dint of patience and hard work he attained to a position at the Edgefield bar second to none. He was at various times a member of both branches of the legislature. He became a Chancellor in the Equity court, and filled that position with honor and dignity. He died in 1883 at 75 years of age, beloved by all for his beautiful characteristics. Maj. Andrew J. Hammond.

Born not far from Hamburg in the lower part of the District the subject of this sketch worthily upheld the honor of his revolutionary ancestor Colonel Samuel Hammond. Major Hammond was a planter, with no political aspirations, but having the interest of his section at heart, and enjoying the confidence of all who knew him, he was sent as a delegate to the convention of 1860. At one time he represented the county in the Legislature. He held the rank of Major in the confederate service.

**Col. James C. Smiley.**

(Chapmans History.) Colonel James C. Smiley was born at Meeting Street, in Edgefield county, in 1820, and died in 1872. His mother was a sister of Marmaduke Coates, of Newberry, S. C. He held no office during his life, except that of Colonel of Militia and the very important position of delegate to the Secession convention. He with all the other members of that body, signed the Ordinance of Secession. He was a planter by business and occupation, and enjoyed the respect and confidence of the people. His wife was Catherine Watson of Ridge Spring.

**Colonel James Tompkins.**

Born in the "Dark Corner" of Edgefield, near the place now called Modoc, Colonel Tompkins lived the healthy honorable life of the farmer. A man of considerable ability, having the love and respect of his neighbors he was elected to the State Legislature where he served his constituents ably and well. Afterwards, he was made a delegate to that memorable body of Secessionists who framed and signed the famous Ordinance.

William Gregg.

Though not an Edgefield born man, Mr. Gregg had identified himself with the interests of our county by marriage with the daughter of one of our most honored men, Colonel Mathias Jones of Edgefield.

Mr. Gregg was born on the 2nd of February 1800, in Monongahela Co. West Virginia. He was a member of the 1860 convention, and died Sept. 12th 1867. He was buried in Magnolia cemetery near Charleston. A good, honorable, just man, whose influence lives after him.

**Gen. R. G. M. Dunovant.**

Gen. Dunovant was a native of Chester county. After graduating at the South Carolina College he moved out to Texas and stayed there until the breaking out of the Mexican War where he returned to his native state, raised a company in the town of Chester of which he was elected Captain, was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Having identified himself with Edgefield by marriage with a sister of Hon. Preston S. Brooks, he represented her in the State Legislature and was a member of the convention of 1860.

He was General in charge of the State troops during the first year of the war between the States. After the reorganization he held the rank of Colonel.

Great good men, all, and they were worthy representatives of this good old county.

Agatha A. Woodson.

**Mr. D. A. Tompkins Makes Suggestion Concerning Road Improvement in County.**

The only way to have good roads is to get up the money to build them and select a civil engineer to lay them out, and a select finance committee composed say of the leading bankers in the county to disburse the fund upon due proof of value received. Mr. D. A. Tompkins who lives in Mecklenburg county, N. C., where there were model good roads all over the county, writes from his mountain summer home at Montreat, enclosing a sketch with 5 proposed good roads radiating from Edgefield, one toward Augusta, one Johnston, one to Meeting Street, one to Pleasant Lane and further one to Cleora and further he says:

Mr. A. S. Tompkins, Edgefield, S. C.

My dear Arthur: I inclose a rough sketch showing some roads that Edgefield county sorely needs. "I think a sand and clay road could be built from Edgefield to Augusta, or to the Aiken line near Belvedere for 1,000 or \$1,500 a mile. The three stretches that would have to be graded and macadamized or made of sand and clay would be about 10 to 20 miles each, one each to Meeting Street, Pleasant Lane, and Cleora, or possibly to the county line in each case. Many North Carolina counties have redeemed themselves by bond issue. Iredell county, for example, has just issued \$450,000 worth of bonds. Gaston county issued \$300,000 worth of bonds. I think if Edgefield would issue about \$100,000 worth of bonds and pay the road work indicated, the county would be "eved at once of a great deal of trouble. I believe it would settle the disputes

and contentions you are having with the negroes. You already have a road tax which could go to paying the interest on these bonds, and I believe you could start a sinking fund to retire them, and increased taxes would more than retire them in fifteen or twenty years. The main thing is for the county not to do what it did before, to wit: issue bonds and get no roads. You should be sure that the money issued should go for roads.

I write simply that the subject is on my mind, and so as not to forget to suggest the idea to you. You will certainly have to have some good roads before the county gets out of its quagmires and other troubles. Modern prosperity is based on an easy social and commercial intercourse, which means good roads."

Yours very truly, D. A. Tompkins, Per. M. A.

**Importance of Healthy Kidneys.**

**Edgefield Readers Should Learn to Keep the Kidneys Well.**

The kidneys have a big work to do. All the blood in the body is coursing through the kidneys constantly to be freed of poisonous matter. It is a heavy task when the kidneys are well, but a cold chill, fever or some thoughtless exposure is likely to irritate, inflame and congest the kidneys and interrupt the purifying work.

Then the aching frequently begins and is often accompanied by some irregularity of the urine—too frequent passages, sediment or retention. Thousands testify to the wonderful merit of Doan's kidney pills, a remedy for the kidneys only, that has been used in kidney troubles 50 years. You will make no mistake in following this Edgefield citizen's advice.

Mrs. J. T. Pattison, Edgefield, S. C., says: "I have given Doan's kidney pills a thorough trial and I know them to be a splendid kidney remedy. On several occasions I used them and received lasting relief from kidney trouble. I do not hesitate to recommend this remedy as the best one I know of for kidney complaint."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Mahogany, walnut and oak bedroom suits from \$18 up to \$175. Ramsey & Jones.

Pound packages of talcum powder for only 25 cents. B. Timmons.

\$25 up suits to order of fine woollens, perfect fit. Also ready made clothes, all wool \$10 up. Wash suits \$4 up. Write F. G. MERTINS, Augusta, Ga.