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No paper next week.

The gallon-a-month law has proven a delusion and a snare.

The happiness that one gets out of a jug is a spurious brand.

The dispenser of marriage licenses will also have a Christmas rush.

What Premier Loyd-George says has more weight than what King George says.

What are you reading these long winter evenings, the longest of the year?

Three more shopping days till Christmas and ten more tax-paying days till New Year.

Have you paid your taxes? We beg pardon for reminding you of an unpleasant matter.

Down, down, down goes cotton and up, up, up goes wheat. That's where the shoe pinches.

In selecting a Christmas gift for us, please do not send an automobile, unless it's a wood-burner.

The adding of fruit cake and mince-meat to the menu means more work for the family physician.

The war was "Made in Germany" and it appears that peace will also be placarded in like manner.

Those who framed the law should have allowed a gallon-a-month for every month except December.

Here's hoping that not a drop of human blood will be spilled in Edgefield county during the festive season.

Even a Ford, just from the cold climate of Michigan, did not relish the low temperature of yesterday morning.

Somehow or other we'd all have just a bit more of the Christmas spirit in our bones if cotton had remained at twenty cents.

Death has claimed another Carolina boy on border duty at El Paso. How we would like to see them back home by New Year!

If we mistake not, Georgia levies a tax on every gallon or package of liquor shipped into the State. Such a law is worth investigating.

Prayers are ascending for the recovery of Robert Gonzales, The State's paragrapher, who lies ill with pneumonia in the hospital at El Paso.

An exchange speaks of annual "dividends." Well, after all, nobody objects to the spelling just so the dividend check is satisfactorily large.

Judging from the number of large boxes of candy, de luxe editions, that have been sold in Edgefield this week, the young swains do not count the high cost of loving.

Talk about neutral nations! Neutral nations, like neutral individuals, exist in name only. No man with hot blood in his veins can refrain from "taking sides" in this cruel war.

Wonder why Santa Claus has tabooed the sock? It seems that the old gentleman always requires a stocking as a receptacle for his bounty. The bachelor is thus hopelessly shut out.

The high cost of paper is causing papers to discontinue the "time honored custom" of exchanging. Everything is drifting to the cash-in-advance system, even to their brother publishers.

Have you noticed with what precision each nation at war has kept a record of the death roll of the enemy nations? Germany can tell you to a how many men England has lost vice versa.

There is no use to urge holding cotton. The price has gotten where it can't afford to turn loose. How can we confidently believe that there will be a turn in the lane early in the year.

It will be a hard blow to the liquor interests when Uncle Sam closes the mails to liquor literature, as was done with the Louisiana lottery some years ago. However, liquor is worse than a lottery, in that it wrecks lives as well as fortunes.

We would like to extend our right arm across the Atlantic and shake the hand of David Loyd-George. We like the ring of his words: "Complete restitution, full reparation and effectual guarantee." That's what should come before peace negotiations are seriously entered into.

As Volume 1916, according to our way of reckoning time, is about to be closed and the unsullied pages of 1917 to be opened, is it not apropos that a retrospective view be taken in order that we may profit by the mistakes of the past? The experiences of the old year should the better fit us for the duties of the New.

Feed the Little Birds.

Be mindful of the birds during winter. They are your little feathered friends. When the snow comes or the ground remains frozen all day feed the birds. Let them know that you are their friend. Have them light on the piazza or gather about your chamber window to feed upon bread crumbs or hominy. Besides relieving the hunger of the birds, this thoughtful act of kindness will soften and sweeten your nature through the reflex influence. When an opportunity presents gather the little birds about you and make a practical experiment or application of what we have suggested. The kindly deed will not be without its reward.

Concerning Pastors' Salaries.

Is your pastor receiving the same salary that he did 10 years ago, when the cost of living was about half what it is at present? Doubtless home demands, providing for an increased family and the education of children, are greater yet the minister is expected to pay his bills promptly and "keep up appearances" on the same meagre salary. Few ministers receive what they earn, this being especially true of country pastors. As the cost of living advances and demands upon their income increase, the salary of the faithful, self-sacrificing minister should likewise increase. Teeming thousands of ministers are underpaid but who ever heard of one being overpaid, receiving more than a just and proper return for services rendered the church and community? In these times of financial stress and strain, when the salaried man suffers most from high prices, see that your pastor receives adequate compensation to supply his needs, and some more besides.

Beautiful Home Wedding.

Tuesday at noon Mrs. Sallie Brooks Moseley became the bride of Mr. S. Mouzon Smith, their marriage occurring at the home of the former on Jeter street. The wedding was a quiet, nevertheless beautiful, one. Rev. A. L. Gunter, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated. The lower floor of the home was beautifully decorated in green and white. In the parlor where the ceremony was performed the decorations were especially artistic. Smilax and tulle were draped above the folding doors, the tall windows and cabinet mantel. Ferns, palms and other pot plants added beauty to the background. Cut flowers were also used in great profusion in the parlor. Only the immediate families of the bride and the groom were present, and after they assembled in the parlor Mr. Gunter entered. The groom entered the parlor with his father, Mr. Gamewell M. Smith, and the bride was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Ellie Brooks Jones, of Columbia.

Immediately after the ceremony all repaired to the dining room, which was likewise attractively decorated, where a sumptuous wedding feast was served. An elaborate menu of all the season's delicacies was bountifully provided.

Mrs. Moseley is a daughter of the late Capt. James Brooks and a sister of General U. R. Brooks of Columbia. He and Mrs. Brooks attended the marriage. Mr. Smith is likewise a descendant of an old and honored Edgefield family. He is a graduate of Wofford college and has been a member of the Edgefield bar for about twenty years, locating here soon after leaving college. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Smith are delighted that they will continue to reside among us.

We have just received a large assortment of comforts and blankets. Rubenstein.

WINTER BRINGS COLDS TO CHILDREN.

A child rarely goes through the whole winter without a cold, and every mother should have a reliable remedy. Fever, sore throat, tight chest and croupy coughs are sure symptoms. A dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will loosen the phlegm, relieve the congested lungs and stop the cough. Its antiseptic pine balsams heal and soothe. For croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial troubles try Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey. At all Drug-gists, 25c.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

BEAUTIFY YOUR HOME PLACE

It Doesn't Cost Much But Adds a Great Deal to Value of Property—Some Shade-Tree Advice.

Beautifying the home place is one of the pleasures and duties of every home lover. Homes that do not reflect in some way the better natures of their owners are not what they should be. Home is the place where we spend the most important part of our lives. Homes that are not comforting to the tired home-maker have lost all their charm and usefulness. Homes should be made beautiful to the eyes as well as comforting to the body and nerves. If you will look about you the homes that are the best in appearance are homes that harbor gentle people. Homes that are allowed to run to ruin are owned by people who are careless and often shiftless in their personal habits.

It is not hard to beautify your home. It does not require a lot of money or valuable labor. "I remember seeing a little dooryard in St. Louis once in which a few seeds had been planted," says a writer in Farmers' Guide. "Possibly the place was not more than ten feet square, but there was such an abundance of flowers and grass on that little dooryard that it gladdened thousands of passers-by every day. That little place was tended by a crippled girl. And it reflected more than anything else the spirit of generosity and gentleness which was her predominating characteristic. Money alone will never make a home beautiful."

Many farmers plant fruit trees about the house, but shade trees would be better for the front yard.

A shade tree to be satisfactory must be tall, thick and cover a large space. Unless it is pruned high the grass will not grow well under it. The most satisfactory fruit tree is almost opposite this in general characteristics. It must be headed low in order to have the fruit within reach at harvest time. If it grows tall and thick there will be very little fruit and it will be of poor quality. An open top or crown is necessary for the production of good fruit, and with this condition the shade is not good.

HOW TO PLACE BAY WINDOW

This Dwelling Ornament Must Be Put Properly or It Will Mar Looks of Your Residence.

Bay windows may add greatly to the attractiveness of a house, or they may greatly mar it. They should be judiciously used and carefully proportioned.

An attractively detailed bay becomes an important feature in the exterior design; therefore the interior aspect should not be the sole consideration.

Too often are otherwise well-designed houses marred by bays so placed as to have a detached appearance. A bay, to be right, must seem to have grown to the side of the house.

Single-story bays are more easily handled than are those of two stories, and may be either square or three-sided. If extending to the sill line only, they require no foundation, which is quite an item in the expense, and for small houses they are extremely attractive.

The two-story bay requires skillful handling; otherwise it becomes an appendage most inharmonious. It should correspond to the exterior finish of the houses. A successful treatment for bays of this description is to extend the main roof out over the bay.

A clever architect can often accomplish a pleasing interior treatment by grouping windows at the corner of a room, thus giving to the room the effect of a bay, yet interfering in no way with the exterior design.

Are You a Croaker?

A croaker sat on the grumbler's bench and croaked that the town was dead and ne'er did once he lift his hand to push his town ahead. He cursed and swore with all his might—such a town he ne'er did see—the times were dull, the stores were bum, as bum as bum could be. And so he sat from early morn, each bright and happy day, and croaked and croaked with all his might till the summer passed away. And then one night while the wind blew cold, when the winter time had come, he croaked his last and closed his eyes upon his earthly home. But when he reached the other shore—the city bright and fair, it was no good, 'twas dull and dead, he ne'er would enter there! And since there was no other place, to the croaker's fate he went, unmourned by man, unwept, unsung—none cared a bloom-in' cent.—Anon.

Fire Hydrants Protected.

An ordinance passed by the authorities of San Bernardino, Cal., specifies that no vehicle shall be allowed to stand within 15 feet of a fire hydrant. That innocent persons may not disregard the restriction unwittingly, the fire chief has had both the hydrant and the adjoining curb painted red. On this red strip indicating the forbidden area appear the words, "Keep Away" in large white letters.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

DR. KING'S NEW LIFE PILLS
The Pills That Do Cure.

Something appropriate for his Xmas gift. A "Nu Style" suit in nobby mixture and solid navies, \$17.50 to \$30.00. F. G. Mertin's, Augusta, Ga.

See our line of ladie's and children's handkerchiefs, in holiday boxes.

Smith-Marsh Co.

Don't worry. Write us for a Rainproof Coat for his Xmas gift. Big values we are showing now at \$5.50 to \$15. F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

We have about 35 ladies trimmed hats. Prices from \$7.50 to \$10.00. We are offering any of them at less than half price.

Rubenstein's.

FOR SALE: One Ford Touring Car. Guaranteed to be in first-class shape—practically new.

G. W. Adams.

Why, it's easy to select his Xmas gift. A smart Overcoat will please him—\$10 to \$30. F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

Give him a pair of dressed or undressed kid gloves. All sizes, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00. F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

A life time remembrance, a leather Suit Case or Hand Bag for him or her, \$3.50 to \$15. Write F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

Write us today for one of those newest "Super Six" 1917 Hats in felt new shades, pearl, tan, greyish, navy, etc at \$3.00. F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

A good all wool Sweater will please him. Write us today. In navy, grey, red, tan and tax mixed. \$1 to \$7.00. F. G. Mertin, Augusta, Ga.

WANTED.—Five hundred bundles of fodder. Apply at The Advertiser office.

Ladies and Misses Coat Suits We are offering any coat suit in the house from now until Christmas at half price.

Rubenstein.

DR. J. S. BYRD,

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EDGEFIELD, S. C.

Master's Sale.

State of South Carolina, County of Edgefield, Court of Common Pleas.

Mrs. F. E. Dibble—Plaintiff—vs.—R. J. Harley and L. Reams Moore—Defendants.

Pursuant to a decree in the above entitled cause, I shall offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder before the Court House, Town of Edgefield, County and State aforesaid, on Salesday in January, 1917, the same being the first day of said month, between the legal hours of sale the following described realty to wit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the County and State aforesaid, All that certain piece, parcel or plantation of land situate lying and being in the State of South Carolina, County of Edgefield (now County of McCormick) containing Seventy-Eight (78) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of W. O. Sturkey, James White, D. P. Self and C. A. Miller, being a part of the Dr. J. H. Jennings lands.

Terms of Sale: One-half cash, balance on a credit of one year, with interest from date of said sale, or all cash at purchaser's option; the credit portion, if any, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises. Said bond and mortgage to provide for interest from date, and ten per cent. attorney's fees, in case same shall be placed in hands of an attorney for collection.

If purchaser at said sale shall fail to comply with the terms thereof, within one hour from the time of said sale, said premises, upon direction of plaintiff, or his attorney, will be resold on said day at the risk of the former purchaser. Purchaser to pay for papers.

J. H. CANTELOU, Master E. C. S. C.

Dec. 4, 1916.

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We want our Edgefield friends to come in to see us at our new store, 980 Broad Street. We have increased our stock, and are better prepared in every way to serve them. We are showing the largest assortment of Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, Clocks, Watches and Novelties that we have ever shown.

We desire to call especial attention to our repair department, which has been improved in every way. We now have new and improved machinery, and can do the most difficult and most delicate repairing here in our store. Send us your watches by express and we will return them promptly repaired in the very best manner.

Call Upon Us at Our New Store

A. J. Renkl

980 Broad Street

Augusta, Georgia

Xmas Giving.

Let your Christmas giving this year be along practical lines, selecting things that are serviceable as well as beautiful.

A selection for father, brother or gentlemen friends is easy at our store. Come in and see our attractive line of Neckwear, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Etc.

Our stock of Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Overcoats, Raincoats, Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Etc., present a number of things that will please the men. It will be a pleasure to show you what we have for the holidays.

DORN and MIMS.