

PENCIL AND SCISSORS.

Wayside Notes Gathered Here and There by a Dispatch Man.

The weather now indicates rain. Judge Aldrich will preside at our June term of court.

Clerk of Court Samuel B. George, is in Columbia today.

Yesterday is said to have been the hottest day of the season.

Mr. S. Luther Smith is in town today and gave us a pleasant call.

Ferry's and Crossman's guaranteed garden seed for sale at the Bazaar.

Some of our gardeners have enjoyed their first mess of Irish potatoes and beans.

Quite a number of Lexingtonians left for Charleston yesterday and others will follow tomorrow.

Lexington stands today with a record of containing not a single dwelling house to rent.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Snyder left for Florida last week and will make that State their future home.

Those who say that Lexington is not improving simply don't know what they are talking about.

County Treasurer Frank Shealy, is spending several days on his farm watching the cotton and corn grow.

Mr. O. H. Foster, Superintendent of the Middleburg Mill at Batesburg, has resigned and gone to New York.

Col. J. Brooks Wingard is announced in this issue as a candidate for the House of Representatives.

Hilton's Life for the Liver and Kidneys aids digestion.

Our county politics is lively, but the candidates seem to be out in the woods waiting for the blackberries to bloom.

Miss Gussie Barr, after a pleasant visit to friends in Columbia, has returned to her home near Rocky Well, in this county.

The friends of Mr. P. H. Craps, believing that he has made an efficient Supervisor, nominate him in this issue for re-election.

Mr. Mike S. Wingard is having a nice dwelling erected on his place on the suburbs of this place, and will move into it as soon as it is ready for occupancy.

Mr. Jesse D. Taylor has been confined to his room for sometime with an affection of the heart. His friends trust he will soon be restored to perfect health.

Besides the regular communication, Lexington Lodge No. 152 A. F. M., will hold an extra meeting on next Saturday evening. The members will take due notice and be on hand promptly.

Mr. R. M. Harman is now the owner of the fine stock stallion raised by Mr. Dan Livingston, of Newberry. This is an excellent opportunity for our farmer friends to improve the blood of their stock.

Mrs. Jeff Rawl, after a two week's visit to her mother, Mrs. Laura Monts, returned to her home in Columbia Sunday. Her little child, which has been quite sick, has recovered under the influence of our healthful climate.

We have been requested to announce that there will be no services in the Methodist church next Sunday morning so as to give that congregation an opportunity to hear the baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. R. S. Truesdale, in the Lutheran church.

Dr. J. L. Shuler, one of the most prominent citizens of the Fork, was in town yesterday and called to see us. He is a delegate from Lexington to the State Democratic Convention which meets in Columbia today.

This writer is indebted to Mr. Rice B. Harman for an invitation to attend the commencement of the Maryland College of Pharmacy from which he graduates this year with honorable mention, the degree of "Doctor of Pharmacy," having been conferred upon him. Dr. Harman has many friends here who have watched his progress forward with pleasure and who wish for him abundant success in his chosen profession.

Mr. Dempsey E. George, who has been clerking for M. R. Hartley & Co., at Lexington Depot, has resigned his position with this firm and has accepted a similar position with the Richland Mills Company, in Columbia.

W. J. McCartha, Inspector of local dispensaries, was in town Friday and inspected the dispensary at this place of which Mr. Simon Coughman is the efficient dispenser. He found the accounts straight and everything in apple pie order.

The taxpayers of Batesburg, in an election held last Monday, voted to levy a special tax of 3 mills on all taxable property of the town for school purposes—the vote being 49 to 9. This is commendable and the example should be followed by the taxpayers of other communities.

In this issue we publish the first installment of the annual report of County Treasurer Frank W. Shealy for the fiscal year 1900-1901. The publication of this report is a source of information to the tax payers of the county, as it shows them how the public moneys have been expended.

The Best Prescription for Malaria.

Chills, and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price 50c.

Masonic Meetings.

A REGULAR COMMUNICATION of Lexington Lodge, No. 152, A. F. M., will be held on Saturday, June 14th, 1902, at 7 p. m. Brethren are earnestly requested to attend promptly.

A regular communication of Pomaria lodge, No. 151, A. F. M., will convene in Masonic hall Peak, S. C., Saturday, June 14th, 1902, at 7 p. m. Brethren will please be prompt in attendance. Fraternity invited.

John C. Snyggert, Master.

Truthful Debtor.

Long—Say, Short, I'd like to have that \$10 you borrowed of me three months ago.

Short—Sorry, old man, but I can't give it to you at the present writing.

Long—But you said you wanted it for a little while only.

Short—Well, I gave it to you straight. I didn't keep it half an hour.—Chicago News.

His Bill.

"Your young nephew William appears to think he knows much more than he really does know."

"Yes, he is a Bill that is stuck up, but not a Bill that is posted."—Boston Transcript.

The productiveness of Formosa is so great that it is believed that the present population of 2,500,000 could be raised to 10,000,000 without exhausting the fertility of the soil.

A Famous Compliment.

Of famous compliments paid to the fair sex the supply is so large and dazzling that it is a matter of no small difficulty to pick out the brightest gems, but if the following was unlooked for it certainly deserves a place among the best: Fontgnelle when ninety years old passed before Mme. Helvetius without perceiving her.

"Ah," said the lady, "that is your gallantry, then! To pass before me without ever looking at me!"

"If I had looked at you, madame," replied the old beau, "I never could have passed you at all!"

A Chance For Him.

"I am afraid," said the high browed bard, "that my poetry will never attract public attention."

"Cheer up!" said the loyal companion. "Maybe you'll get appointed to office one of these days, and then everybody will talk about your poetry."—Washington Star.

How to Be Happy.

Jinks—What do you consider the secret of happiness?

Winks—Make money enough to buy your wife everything she wants.—New York Weekly.

Why He Rejected.

Daughter—Papa went off in great humor this morning.

Mother—My goodness! That reminds me I forgot to ask him for any money.—Tit-Bits.

Cool.

Briggs—It isn't the man who cuts off the most coupons who cuts the most ice.

Griggs—He doesn't have to. His cool thousands answer well enough for him.—Boston Transcript.

Sad Reflection.

It happens quite frequently that the self made man has a son who is simply tailor made.—Puck.

Jester—Poor old Skindint has his troubles!

Jimson—What! Why, he's making barrels and barrels of money.

Jester—I know, but the price of barrels has gone up.—Boston Post.

THE KING SNAKE.

He is the Deadly Enemy of Every Poisonous Reptile.

Of all kind provisions of nature perhaps the manner in which snakes are brought into the world is the most remarkable. As a rule all harmless snakes are hatched from eggs, arriving in batches of from thirty to eighty. The poisonous snakes, on the other hand, are born in litters of from seven to eleven in number. There are exceptions to the rule, of course, but they are few and unimportant, for, though the deadly king cobra lays her eggs to be hatched by the sun, they are few in number, unlike the colonies deposited by the harmless snakes.

Chief among the enemies of the snakes are the reptiles themselves. Cannibalism is general among the creatures, the smaller snake serving as food to the larger one. But chief of all snakes that hunt their own kind for the pleasure of slaughter is the long, slender king snake, a constrictor by habit and a flash in his movements. Among all reptiles the king snake alone may truly be said to be the friend of man. He is found throughout the whole south, where the rattler and moccasin abound, sunning himself and preying for slaughter. Picked up by human hand, the reptile seems pleased with the touch. He makes no effort to escape, but twines about his captor's arm and makes himself comfortable.

To the rattlesnake and to every other dangerous snake, large or small, the king snake is a terror. The poison of a rattler has no more effect on him than so much moonshine. Instinctively the rattler knows his match and at sight of a king snake tries to escape, if possible. In fight the king snake relies wholly upon his incredible speed. If the movements of an ordinary snake seem quick to the human eye, the movements of a king snake would seem instantaneous. In a twinkling the long, lank fellow has wound himself about the throat of an antagonist and, his sinewy coils closing about the other's throat, chokes the wind out of him.—New York Times.

MAIL CARRIERS' CAR FARE.

Companies Are Paid a Lump Sum by the Government.

"Most people who spend \$25 a year for car fare consider that they are contributing liberally toward the dividends of the company," remarked a postal clerk, "but Uncle Sam spends nearly \$250,000 a year for the transportation of carriers in street cars in the different free delivery cities.

"For instance, including substitutes, there are 275 carriers in Washington. You may have observed that carriers, when riding on the surface roads, do not pay fares either with tickets or in cash. The free delivery system allots the Washington city postoffice an annual allowance of \$4,000 to be used exclusively for the car fare of letter carriers. The postmaster is authorized to make a contract with the companies to transport all carriers, while on duty for a lump sum, which he does. The carrier must have his pouch with him, which is a sign manual to the conductor or that he is on duty, the mere wearing of his uniform being insufficient.

"This rule obtains in some cities, while in others special tickets are sold at special rates to be used only by carriers, or the cash is handed direct to the carrier for a certain number of daily trips, depending upon the practice. Thus, while Washington receives \$4,000, Chicago gets \$26,000 for letter carriers' car fare because of its large territorial extent and distance between stations on the prairie, oftentimes necessitating a double fare by the carrier. Boston is allowed \$13,500 and New York and Philadelphia about \$10,000 each. Few people know that the government expends such a large sum yearly for such a trivial cause."—Washington Post.

A Very Old Rule.

The oldest mathematic book in the world is believed to be the "Papyrus Rhind" in the British museum, professed to have been written by Ahmes, a scribe of King Ra-a-us, about the period between 2000 and 1700 B. C. This "Papyrus Rhind" was translated by Eisenlohr of Leipzig, and it was found to contain a rule for making a square equal in area to a given circle. It was not put forth as an original discovery, but as the transcript of a treatise 500 years older still, which sends us back to, approximately, 2500 B. C., when Egyptian mathematicians solved, or thought they had solved, the problem of squaring the circle.

Proved Her Claim.

"I wanted to show," she said, "that woman is maligned, that brevity is quite as much her attribute as it is man's, and so when he proposed I had to say 'Yes.'"

"You might have said 'No.'" it was suggested.

"Not at all," she protested. "When you say 'No,' you have to explain why you say it and tell how sorry you are, and it would have spoiled everything."—Chicago Post.

Suggesting a Remedy.

With sarcastic fingers the deaf and dumb lady curtain lectured her husband for betting on the races.

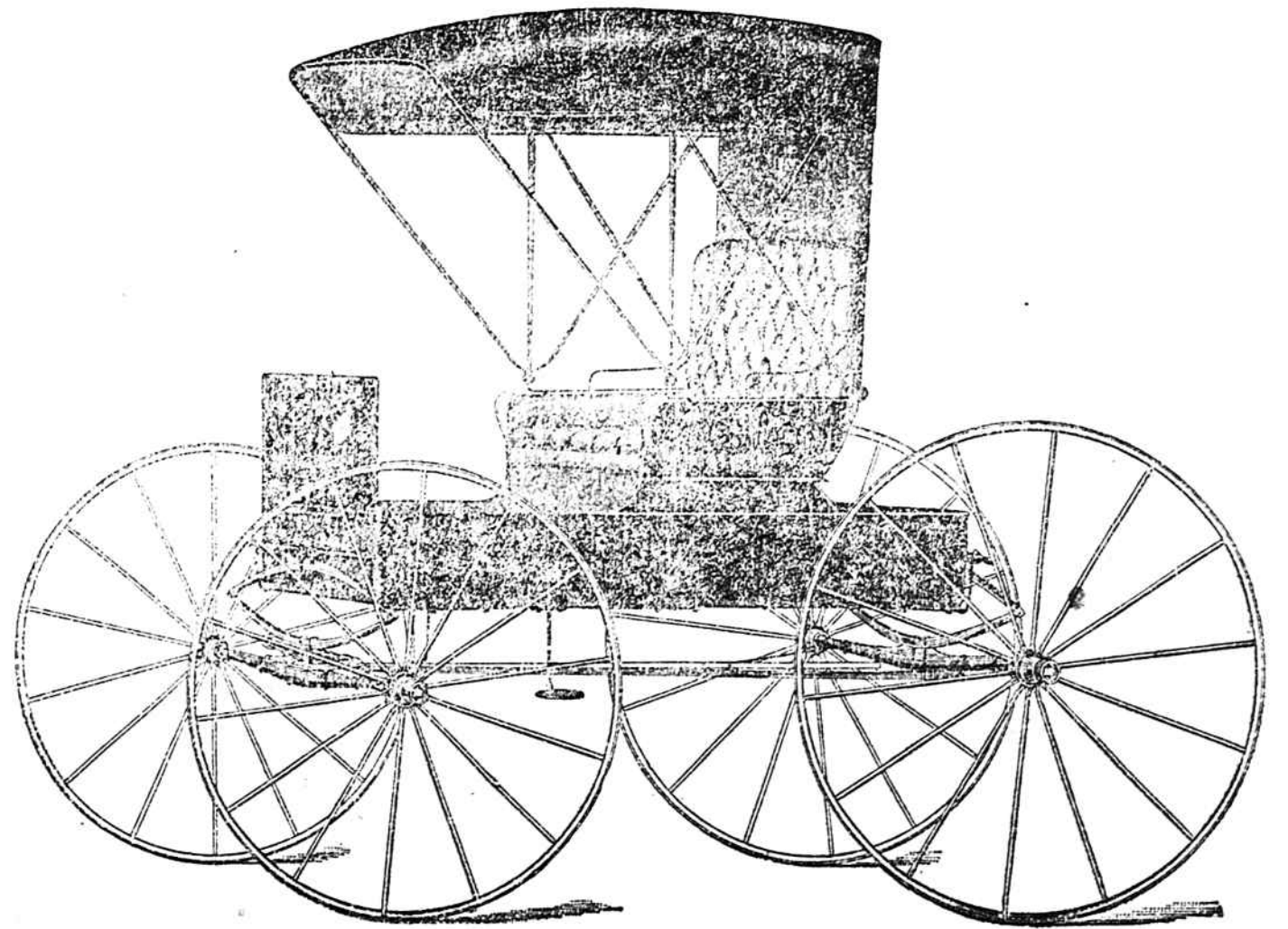
"Either talk slower," he spelled out on his hand, "or else put hoppers on your fingers. They interfere when you strike this gait."—Judge.

Detail Requiring Attention.

If every man is the architect of his own destiny, he should pay particular attention to the fire escapes.—Philadelphia Record.

Somehow whenever we hear a man called an Adonis we long to hunt him up and smash his pretty nose.—Athlon Globe.

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Warning.

ALL PERSONS ARE WARNED NOT to hire one Rump. Portor, colored, who is under contract with me for 1902. A. W. MARTIN. Swansea, S. C. 3w30.

Talent.

Talent is aptitude for a given line. In the old Bible significance it is power entrusted to one for a specific use. Everybody has some talent worth cultivating. The more we use what we originally have the greater becomes its value.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The man who tries to drown his sorrow in the flowing bowl must sooner or later discover that sorrow is amphibious.—Philadelphia Record.

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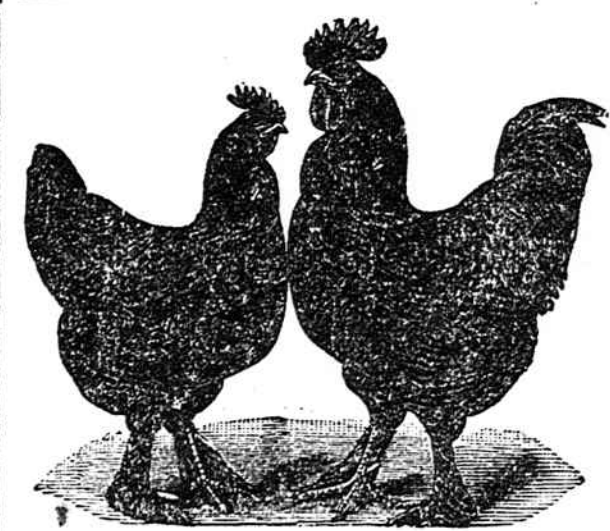
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A. M. HARMAN. May 14, 1902. 4w30.

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