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Wednesday, July 15, 1903.

Subscribers in arrears will please remit the amount due, as we need money to pay running expenses. Friends, heed our cry and come and help us with your dollar.

The re-union of the Confederate Veterans at Leesville yesterday was attended by about two thousand persons many of whom were old Confederate soldiers.

On account of circumstances beyond our control we were unable to be at Leesville, as we fully intended to, therefore, we have to depend upon others for our report.

The programme, which has already been published, was carried out with the exception of an address by Hon. John C. Sheppard, who was unavoidably absent.

The line of march was formed and headed by a large number of children dressed in white, who presented a picture of surpassing beauty. There were about two hundred and fifty old veterans in line. The procession then moved to the Chapel of the Leesville College, where the exercises were to take place. This place was beautifully and appropriately decorated with garlands and festoons entwining the colors of the Confederacy. When the people had gathered there the exercises were commenced in the order of the programme and continued until completed. All of the speeches were in keeping with the sentiment of the occasion and were patriotic in conception and burning with eloquence. Those whom we have heard express themselves are in accord with each other in saying that the occasion was one that will be treasured up in the archives of memory as being a reunion unsurpassed for enjoyment, pleasure and generous hospitality. They are all loud in their praises of the elaborate arrangements made by the people of Leesville, and say they were never better treated in their lives.

The town of Leesville was handsomely decorated with flags and bunting as well as with flowers and evergreens. The people of Leesville certainly deserve much credit for their liberality and patriotism in bringing off the affair so successfully.

The dinner, which was free to the old soldiers, was one of Job Swygert's best and this is saying a great deal.

The music was furnished by the Batesburg Brass Band and was well rendered and enjoyed by all.

Leesville covered herself all over with glory and honor and we are real proud of her and her noble and hospitable people.

Bear in mind that a mass meeting will be held in this place on August 1st to discuss the road question. Senator Latimer has been invited to be present and has accepted the invitation and will probably be here if he can possibly do so. There will be other prominent speakers who have given the road question much thought and attention. We hope to see a large number of our representative citizens present.

Contrary to all human expectation Pope Leo still survives the surgeon's knife.

Some of our contemporaries are prying their brains in an effort to solve the race problem.

Congressman Lever certainly deserves the "well done, thou good and faithful servant" of the people of the Seventh District, which he so ably represents, for his faithfulness in looking after their every interests in so far as they have reference to National legislation and the action of the various departments of the National administration.

Not alone is he active during the sessions of Congress in advocating every legitimate measure tending to promote the peace, happiness and prosperity of his constituency and, which promises to give them relief from the evils and burdens under which they are laboring, but he has devoted his time during the recess in an effort to increase the mail facilities of the towns and rural districts within his territory. He has ever been on the alert to do something for his people—collectively as well as individually—and in this direction his labors have never ceased and he has made opportunities to do something for the people rather than be contented to sit down and wait for them to come to him before taking action.

Just now he is interesting himself in the establishment of free rural delivery routes in different sections of his district and is making strong efforts to have his petitions for the establishment of routes taken up and investigated by the Post Office Department. But in this important work, through no fault of his, though, he has been greatly hampered by a rule of the department that all such petitions must and will be taken up in the order they are received at the department, and from the further fact that the management of this division by its head has been under investigation, which has greatly delayed the work. Of course this state of affairs has been very annoying as well as a great disappointment not only to him but to all those having business with that branch of the government. In order to push the work as rapidly as possible, he has made several trips to Washington to personally urge the department to give him an agent for his district, so that his petitions could be acted upon immediately and the routes established. The reason why this has not been done is told in the letter from the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, which we republish below.

Those who are interested in the petitions, now on file in the Postoffice department, praying for the establishment of new free rural delivery routes will understand from this letter the reason why they have not been acted upon ere this, and nurse their disappointment with what patience they can with the assurance that Mr. Lever has done all he can possible do at present, and all that any reasonable person can demand to have these routes put in operation.
Hon. A. F. Lever, M. C.,
Wallaceville, S. C.

Sir: Your letter of June 22nd requesting that a special agent be assigned to your district for investigation of pending applications for rural delivery, has been received.

In reply you are advised that it is the policy of the Department to consider applications as far as possible in the order of their filing. Under this rule the cases in which you are interested will be investigated as soon as they can be reached.

Very respectfully,
J. W. Bristow,
4th Assistant Postmaster General.

By no means not the least of the important works undertaken by Clemson college to elevate the standard of agriculture, is the holding of what is known as Farmers' Institutes in the several counties of the State at which various lectures on different branches of agriculture are delivered by specialists in those branches. As old methods of farming have passed away and new ones are being adopted, we take it that these institutes are held for the purpose of teaching the farmers how to farm under the new system. We are living in what might be termed an age of farming on scientific principles and he who neglects or refuses to inform himself along these lines will, as a rule, be left.

Our former friends are reminded that one of the institutes will be held in this place on Thursday, July 23rd. This institute will be conducted under the management of

Dr. C. A. Nelson, who will be assisted by an able corps of competent professors and among the leading subjects to be discussed on that occasion will be live stock and animal diseases, horticulture and fruit growing and industrial education, besides special subjects will be arranged if their is a demand.

This institute should be largely attended by those who are interested in farming. Much is to be learned by doing so. Our farmers should certainly take an interest in this meeting as they are the ones in whose interest it is held. As far as we know and can see there is nothing in the way to prevent them from leaving their work on July 23rd, and attending these lectures. The farmers of other counties, in which these institutes have been held, have done so and let it not be said that the farmers of Lexington are the exception.

For the benefit of those interested and as a matter of general information we are running through these columns Act No. 535, entitled an act to further regulate the working and maintaining of the highways and bridges of the State, as it appears in the Statutes at Large of South Carolina, session 1902, page 998. This act should be carefully studied by every one interested in road working and particularly so by the road overseers, to whom, we presume, a copy of the law will be furnished. There are many hitherto doubtful questions in reference to the rights of the Supervisor and Board of Commissioners in the performance of their duties, made clear. We take it that this act clothes the Supervisor and County Board of County Commissioners with ample authority to condemn lands for road repairs and gives them wide latitude in the exercise of their judgment in the repair of old roads and laying out of new ones. In fact the whole matter regarding roads and bridges is left entirely to the wisdom and discretion of the County Supervisor and the County Board of Commissioners. Read the act for yourself and draw your own conclusions.

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Moonlight Festival.

The moonlight festival of the Lexington Brass Band last Thursday evening was a very pleasant affair. It was well patronized and the receipts of the evening's entertainment were very satisfactory. The cake walk, led by the band playing a march, and the voting contest were the features of the occasion. Miss Kate Derrick and Mr. Ed. Barre were the fortunate winners of the cake and Miss Essie Efrid was decided to be the most popular young lady.

The Band requests us to return its thanks to all those who contributed cakes, custards, etc., also to the young ladies who so kindly assisted in serving cream, as well as to the public generally for their liberal patronage.

Baker's bread, cakes and crackers all kinds, at the Bazaar.

The Road Law.

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required number of day's labor upon the public highways, the overseer shall give to such person or persons a certificate for the amount of labor performed, and said certificate shall apply on the labor that may be due for such person or persons for the ensuing year.

Sec. 22. If any person or persons, corporations, or any conductor of any train of railroad cars, or any other agent or servant of any railroad company, shall obstruct unnecessarily any public road or highway by permitting any railroad car or cars or locomotive to be or remain upon or across any street, public road or highway for a longer period than five minutes, after notice to move said cars has been given to conductor, engineer, agent or such other person in charge of said train, or shall permit any timber, wood or other obstruction to remain upon or across any such street, road or highway to the hindrance or inconvenience of travelers, or any person or persons passing along or upon such street, road or highway, every person or corporation so offending shall forfeit and pay for every such offense any sum not exceeding twenty nor less than five dollars, and shall be liable for all damages arising to any highway, to be recovered by an action at the suit of the County or Township Board of Commissioners in which such offense shall have been committed, or any person suing for the same, before any Magistrate within the county where such offense shall have been committed, or by indictment in the Court of General Sessions or suit in the Court of Common Pleas; and all fines so accruing under the provisions of this section, when collected, shall be paid over by the Magistrate to the County Treasurer for the district in which such offense was committed; and every twenty-four hours such corporation, person or persons, as aforesaid, after being notified, shall suffer such obstructions, to the hindrance or inconvenience of travelers or any person going along or upon such road or highway, shall be deemed an additional offense against the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 23 Every railroad company, or other corporation, servant or servants, agent or agents, employee or employees, of which, shall, in any manner, obstruct any street, public road or highway, shall be liable to pay all fines which may be assessed against such servant or servants, agent or agents, employee or employees, for so obstructing any such street, public road or highway; and such liability as may be enforced by execution against such railroad company, or other corporation, on the judgment rendered against such servant or servants, agent or agents, employee or employees, for so obstructing such street, public road or highway.

Sec. 24. It shall be unlawful for any railroad company to obstruct the drainage of any public road or highway, by its road-bed or otherwise, or empty the water from its ditches into any public road or highway, to the injury of said highway; and if any railroad company, being warned by the overseer of the proper district, by leaving a written notice with any agent, or informing any station agent of said railroad company personally, shall refuse or neglect to remedy the same, to the acceptance of the overseer, shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding fifty nor less than twenty dollars, to be recovered by an action at the suit of the County or Township Board of Commissioners before any Magistrate; and every ten days such railroad company, after being notified, shall neglect or refuse to remedy such offense, shall be deemed an additional offense against the provisions of this chapter; and the money so collected shall be paid by the Magistrate so collecting to the County Treasurer, and the money so paid over shall become a part of the county road fund.

Sec. 25 It shall be the further duty of [o] such overseer to cause each railroad company to construct and keep in good repair the road-bed of all public roads across the road-bed of said railroad company; and if any railroad company, being duly warned by the overseer of the proper

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district, by leaving a written notice with any station agent, or by informing any station agent of said railroad company personally, shall neglect or refuse to construct or repair such road-bed to the acceptance of the overseer, shall forfeit any sum not exceeding fifty nor less than thirty dollars, to be recovered by an action at the suit of the County or Township Board of Commissioners, before a Magistrate of the county, and the money so collected shall be paid by the Magistrate collecting to the County Treasurer, and the money paid over to become a part of the county road fund; and every five days such railroad company, after being duly notified, shall neglect or refuse to construct or repair said road, shall be deemed an additional offense against the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 26. So much of this article as applies to the working of the public highways by the contract system, or by convicts in chain-gangs, shall not

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JUSTUS WINGARD,
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July 1, 1903, 7x40.

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June 22, 1903, 4x36.

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