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Wednesday, November 18, 1903.

**The Editor's Annual Tour.**

It has been the custom of the Editor of the Dispatch for the past twenty-three years to accompany the County Treasurer, every fall in his tax collecting tour over the county. These trips have been as much a source of pleasure to us as one of business. We get among the people, mingle with them, enjoy their hospitality, learn their needs and desires, and become more familiar with the financial and social conditions of our people.

On last Monday morning, bright and early, it was again our pleasure to start out with our smiling and courteous Treasurer and his assistant, the handsome Mr. Scott Shirey, having for "aid de camp," master Lucius Bickley, for the 23rd time, on the mission of chasing the Almighty dollar.

Our first stop was at Uncle Josh Shealy's. The crowd of tax-payers was not as large as we have seen there. We found old Uncle "Josh" in bright spirits and as talkative as usual; and ever pleased to learn that his good and kind wife is now enjoying better health than what she had been.

Monday night, it was our good fortune to share the hospitality of Mr. W. B. Williams at Chapin. Our time was indeed pleasantly spent with him and his family at their home.

The next morning, we gathered up what money was in store for us at Chapin, and the Treasurer promptly and rapidly disposed of those wishing to straighten up their tax accounts for the fiscal year.

We found Chapin in a prosperous condition. The merchants seemed to be meeting with success, and are wearing smiling faces over the outlook. Frick & Son have a complete up to date ginning outfit and do a large business. Mr. C. P. Robinson, the lumber king of the county, is located here, has a large well equipped planing mill in town and ships all of his lumber from this point.

Tuesday afternoon, we met the good sturdy citizens of Cross Roads, and having completed our business with them, we were soon on our way to Peak, where we spent the night pleasantly at the Park Hotel.

The town now wears a desolate look, chimneys now marking the once prosperous part of the place. We regret to note that the burnt buildings have not been replaced. Let the Southern Railroad set the pace by erecting a neat, substantial depot and doubtless, others will then follow suit.

Mess. W. H. Suber and Jno. C. Swygert Jr., are both wide awake energetic young men, and each one is doing a large and successful business. Peak is backed up by a fine farming country, populated by honest, hard-working people and should be a prosperous little town.

Many of the sturdy citizens of the town and vicinity met us here, and the collections was the best in years. After shaking hands with numerous friends and replenishing our "stock in trade," we reluctantly shook the dust of Peak from our feet and hit the road for Spring Hill. Here the crowd that greeted us

was not as large as usual, but gave us a warm welcome and a few shekel. After finishing our work here, we drove to our old friend's, Walter F. Derrick, and where could we have spent the night more pleasantly and received better treatment and livelier entertainment than from him and his family?

Early Thursday morning found us in the hands of happy Bob Hiller, and the inimical "Johnnie Green." They are both live and clever fellows. Bob is commercial king of his community and serves his subjects well. He has a nice business and is well and comfortably situated. There was a good attendance of tax-payers at Hilton and the printer was also well cared for.

At White Rock, in the afternoon the Treasurer handed out receipts rapidly and soon we were quartered for the night with our old friend, D. A. Richardson, where we enjoyed the hospitality of himself and family.

Friday morning we drove to Mrs. Busby's and there met a number of the citizens of the Broad River section. After accommodating the people here and enjoying a sumptuous dinner we set out for Billeattines. Jas. S. Boozer is doing a thriving mercantile business at this place, and is meeting with success.

Here we spent about an hour in taking in the creek, and then pulled reins for Irmo. This was the last point in the Fork. As usual we found the latch string to the home of our old friend, Elias Metz, on the outside and a hearty welcome awaited us. Irmo is a good nice little town with live merchants—Mathias, Loricks, Hook—all of whom have nice stocks of goods and are doing a fine business.

The farmers were all busy sowing grain. From what we could see and learn, we feel safe in saying that the people of the "Fork" are in better condition financially than they have been for years. Crops have been short, but with high prices, hard work, strict economy, and their own hog and hominy, "these people have, it seems, safely ridden the waves of hard times," and are anchored upon the crest of smiling plenty, happiness, contentment and prosperity.

**Free to Our Readers.**

**Botanic Blood Balm for the Blood.**

If you suffer from ulcers, eczema, scrofula, blood poison, cancer, eating sores, itching skin, pimples, boils, bone pain, swellings, rheumatism, catarrh, or any blood or skin disease, we advise you to take Botanic Blood Balm (B B B). Especially recommended for old, obstinate, deep seated cases, cures where all else fails, heals every sore, makes the blood pure and rich, gives the skin the rich glow of health. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle. Sample sent free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter. Medicine sent at once, prepaid.

**Baptist Union Meetings.**

The Lower Division of the Baptist Union will meet with the Sardis church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday, next, at 10 a. m.

The Upper Division will meet at Oak Grove church on Saturday, November 29th, at 10 a. m.

We have received the programs for these meetings for publication, but we are sorry that space will not allow us to publish them in this issue.

**Ten Thousand Churches**

In the United States have used the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints.

Every church will be given a liberal quantity whenever they paint. Don't pay \$1.50 a gallon for Linseed oil (worth 60 cents) which you do when you buy this paint in a can with a paint label on it.

8 and 6 make 14, therefore when you want fourteen gallons of paint, buy only eight gallons of L. & M., and mix six gallons of pure linseed oil with it.

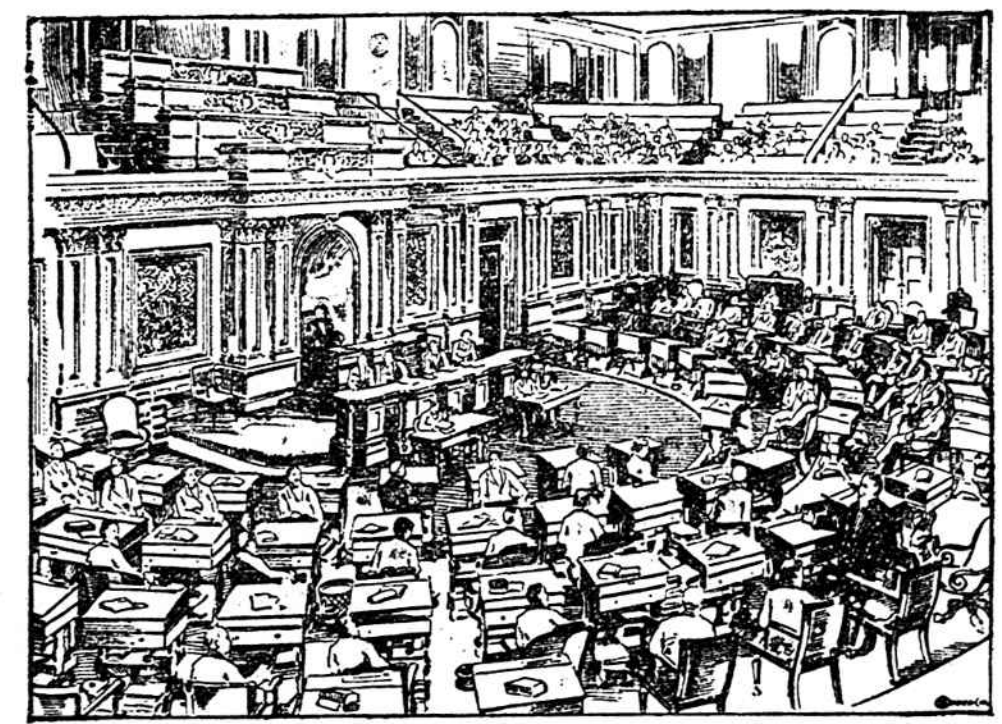
You need only four gallons of L. & M. paint, and three gallons of oil mixed therewith to paint a good sized house.

Houses painted with these paints never grow shabby, even after 18 years.

These celebrated paints are sold by W. P. ROOF, Lexington, S. C.

**WISONS CURE FOR CONSUMPTION**  
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.  
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in Time. Sold by Druggists.

**UNITED STATES SENATOR THURSTON,**  
**The Brilliant Statesman from Nebraska,**  
**Makes an Important Public Utterance.**



INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE CHAMBER.

Ex-Senator John M. Thurston, of Omaha, Nebraska, is one of the most prominent and influential men in the country. He made the speech nominating President McKinley at the St. Louis convention, and was made permanent Chairman of this convention. He was also made Chairman of the convention that renominated the late President McKinley at Philadelphia. He was appointed by President McKinley to be Chairman of the St. Louis Exposition Commission.

This prominent gentleman recently wrote the following letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio:

Washington, D. C., April 6, 1901.  
"I have used Peruna at various times during the past year or two with most satisfactory results.

"It entirely relieved me from an irritating cough—the result of excessive effort in the presidential campaign, and I am a firm believer in its efficacy for any such trouble."—Jno. M. Thurston.

Catarrh has already become a national curse. Its ravages extend from ocean to ocean. More than one-half the people are affected by it. It has become such a serious matter that it has passed the boundaries of the medical profession and become a national question. Senators are talking about it; Congressmen are discussing it.

They are not only considering the extent and chronic nature of the disease, but the possibility of finding a national remedy to meet this national calamity. The catarrh remedy, Peruna, seems to be the main expectation in this direction.

Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, devised the remedy, Peruna, over forty years ago, and the remedy as a catarrh cure has been growing in favor steadily all these years. It stands to-day before the nation as a thoroughly tested, accurately scientific

Ask your druggists for a free Peruna Almanac for 1904.

TO THE MERCHANTS OF

**Lexington County!**

The well known wholesale firm of Frank's Jobbing House, of Columbia, S. C. are closing out the following lines of Winter Goods at 20 per cent. less than the regular prices on reasonable terms. Send for a small sample order, state what you want, the price you wish to pay and if the goods and prices are not satisfactory you can return the same at our expense:

- 300 Men's Overcoats from \$1.50 to \$4.90.
- 150 Youth's Overcoats from \$1.25 to \$3.75.
- 250 Dozen Child's new Pants from \$2.15 to \$3.90.
- 650 Men's wool single Coats, square and round cut sacks from \$1.25 to \$1.57½.
- 200 all wool Men's Coats and Vest at \$2.37½.
- Underwear, Shirts, Hosiery. A full line of Ladies' Capes, Neckwear, Suspenders and Handkerchiefs.
- 200 Dozen single Men's Pants from 62½c up. Also a full line of working Shirts and Overalls.

Send for a small sample order and be convinced. Very respectfully,

**FRANK'S JOBBING HOUSE,**  
1554 MAIN STREET, COLUMBIA, S. C.

**Clerk's Sale.**

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF LEXINGTON.

Court of Common Pleas.  
Ann R. Kizer, Plaintiff, vs. LaFayette GARMAN, Lilly Roof, Bennie Gartman, Samuel B. George and Thomas H. Caughman, Defendants.

IN OBEDIENCE TO THE DECREE OF the Court herein, signed by Frank R. Gory, Special Presiding Judge, and dated October 10th, 1903, I will sell to the highest bidder at public outcry, before the court house door, in Lexington, S. C. during the legal hours of sale, on the first Monday in December, 1903:

"All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Hollow Creek Township said county and state, containing eighty (80) acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by lands of D. Sim Kizer; on the east by lands of S. P. Winceard and B. L. Hayes; on the south by lands formerly of Rufus Lewis, and on the west by lands of D. Sim Kizer and T. Sim Seay; it being the tract of land conveyed to Manly Gardina by David Kizer by deed dated the 27th of March, A. D. 1876."

Terms: 1 Sale—Cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.  
SAMUEL B. GEORGE, Clerk of the Court.  
Lexington, S. C., November 12, 1903.  
John one & Weyard, Plaintiff's Attorneys. T. C. Sturges, Attorney for certain Defendants. 3w4

Thursday, November the 26th, is Thanksgiving day and fat turkeys will pay the penalty.

**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,**  
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON.

By Geo. S. Drafts, Esq., Probate Judge.  
WHEREAS, J. P. DRAFTS MADE suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration De Bonis Non of the Estate of and effects of T. J. Drafts;  
These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said T. J. Drafts, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lexington, C. H., S. C., on November 26th, 1903, next, after publication hereof at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 11th day of November Anno Domini, 1903.  
GEORGE S. DRAFTS, J. P. L. C.  
Published on the 11th day of November, 1903, in the Lexington Dispatch. 2w2

**The State of South Carolina,**  
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON.

By George S. Drafts, Esq., Probate Judge.  
WHEREAS, MRS. ESSIE B DRAFTS, made suit to me, to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of Jesse H. Drafts;  
These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Jesse H. Drafts, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lexington, C. H., S. C., on the 26th day of November, 1903, after publication hereof at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 11th day of November, Anno Domini 1903.  
GEORGE S. DRAFTS, [L. S.] Probate Judge, Lexington County.  
Published on the 11th day of November, 1903, in the Lexington Dispatch. 2w2

**For Sale.**  
120 ACRES OF GOOD FARMING land for sale or rent, two miles from Chapin. Good building, orchard, pasture and plenty of water. Also one two-horse wagon, one six year old mule that will work anywhere. Apply to J. J. SCHWARTZ, Lexington, S. C.

**Notice Trespassers.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL parties not to cut valuable timber, peach and coccin hunting, making roads and by paths, passing through with vehicles of any kind, and not to trespass in any manner whatever upon my lands. The law will positively be enforced against all violating this notice.  
JOB E. CORLEY.  
Nov. 3, 1903.—4w3pd.

**For Sale.**  
EGGS AND CHICKS, BARRED, WHITE and Buff Plymouth Rocks, Blue Australians, and Mottled Anconas; Homing and Ruffed Grouse Pigeons.  
For prices, &c., address H. L. M. ROOF, Brookland, S. C.  
October 28—2mpd.

**Kodol Dyspepsia Cure**  
Digests what you eat.

**TAX NOTICE.**

I WILL ATTEND THE FOLLOWING mentioned places for the purpose of receiving taxes for the fiscal year 1903: Lexington C. H., from 15th of October to 7th of November, 1903.  
Swansea, Wednesday all day, Nov. 18.  
Red Store, Thursday all day, Nov. 19.  
W. N. Martin, Friday morning, Nov. 20.  
Brookland, Saturday all day, Nov. 21.  
Pelion, Monday all day, Nov. 23.  
Jacob Williams, Tuesday morning, Nov. 24.  
Stedman, Tuesday evening, Nov. 24.  
Wm Westmoreland, Wednesday, Nov. 25.  
Batesburg, Thursday all day, Nov. 25.  
Liesville, Friday morning, Nov. 27.  
Snmitt, Friday evening, Nov. 27.  
Lewisdale, Saturday morning, Nov. 28.  
Cront's Store, Tuesday evening, Dec. 1.  
E. H. Addy, Wednesday morning, Dec. 2.  
G. F. Keisler, Wednesday evening, Dec. 2.  
Red Bank, Saturday evening, Dec. 5.

The balance of the time at Lexington Court House until December 31st, 1903, after which time the following penalties will be added by the County Auditor and collected by the County Treasurer:

On January 1st, 1904, 1 per cent. penalty will be added to those who have not paid.  
On February 1st, 1904, an additional 1 per cent. will be added to those who have not paid, making 2 per cent. for February. Still an additional 5 per cent. penalty will be added on March 1st, making 7 per cent. penalty to be paid by those who have not paid by March 1st, 1904.  
Tax books will close March 15th, 1904.  
The hours for closing the tax book will positively be at 11 o'clock for the morning and 4 o'clock for the afternoon appointments.

LEVY.  
For State Purposes..... 5 Mills.  
For Ordinary County Purposes..... 3½ Mills.  
For Special County Purposes..... 4 Mills.  
For Constitutional School Tax..... 3 Mills.

Total 12 Mills.  
Special School Levy District No. 18-3 Mills.  
Special School Levy District No. 37-2 Mills.  
Poll Tax..... \$1.00.  
Commutation Road Tax \$1.00, payable from October 15th to March 1st, 1904.  
Parties owning property in more than one town-ship must so state to the Treasurer. When wanting for information concerning taxes always give name in full.  
FRANK W. SHEALY, Treasurer Lexington County.

**For Sale.**  
MY PLACE, THREE MILES FROM Swansea, containing 352 acres, 125 under cultivation, balance wood land. Good for cotton, corn, grain, etc. Good two story fine room dwelling with four tenant houses, new barn and outbuildings, good water, schools and churches nearby.  
For terms, &c., apply to C. J. RUCKER, Swansea, S. C.  
September 30—4f.

**Final Discharge.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL persons interested that I will apply to the Hon. George S. Drafts, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Lexington, State of South Carolina, on the 10th day of December, 1903, for a final discharge as Administrator of the Estate of John Ellison, deceased.  
G. D. ELLISON, Administrator.  
November 9, 1903. 4w4.

**YOUNG'S**  
HEADQUARTERS FOR EVERYTHING IN  
**Underwear**  
for Men, Women and Children.  
All wool, wool fleeced, heavy cotton garments in shirts and drawers for men.  
All wool, wool fleeced, heavy cotton, fleeced, ribbed and knit garments, shirts and drawers for men.  
Wool and cotton shirts and pants for women. Union Suits for women. Misses and children's "Oneita" brand. Ladies all wool Balmorals. Outing Underskirts. Ladies all wool Sweaters, red, white, navy and black.  
Money saved is money made. We save you money.  
**N. A. YOUNG,**  
1603 Main Street, Lever's Old Stand,  
**COLUMBIA, S. C.**

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IS A  
Combination that will Open  
the Door to  
**WEALTH.**  
Why not start an account with us and place your money where it will increase steadily? We pay 4 per cent. interest in our Savings Department.  
Payable quarterly.  
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COLUMBIA, S. C.  
Wm. H. LYLES, President. JULIUS H. WALKER, V. President.  
J. P. MATTHEWS, Secretary.  
July 15—1y