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October 1st

Gaston Cleanings.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Gaston is somewhat on a boom. She can now boast of a new bride and groom.

Mrs. Cora Mack, of North, is visiting her father, G. A. Goodwin.

Miss P. K. Craft has matriculated in the Littleton Female College of North Carolina.

Friend Lee Rister had the misfortune to lose another \$225 mule some time ago.

The rural routes from here are doing a very good business now and hope to do better as the days go by.

A recent trip to the pretty little town of Pelion finds her making some progress. The devoted Mrs. Felix and myself were royally entertained in the pretty home of our friend and esteemed chum, L. W. Wise, and his queenly wife.

Dr. A. F. Hutto has returned to the medical college in Nashville, Tenn., to complete his course of study.

Cotton was moving pretty lively on our streets last week. C. H. Hartley and C. S. Goodwin are the buyers. If our farmers would hold their cotton they would realize better prices later.

The health of the Felix family is excellent.

W. A. Goodwin has returned from a pleasure trip to Sturgeon Bay, Ind. He reports having a charming time. It is quite interesting to hear him tell of Swift & Co's. packing house.

Recently the stillness of the night air was broken by a conglomeration of sounds, hoots and the firing of fire arms by the boys in an old time serenade. Our young, popular and polite post master took a day or two's vacation recently and on his return brought in an assistant—a helpmate—the better half. There appeared at the parsonage of N. A. Hemrick, Columbia, S. C., Mr. C. H. Hartley and Miss Mary Hutto, of Leesville, who were bound together in the marriage union. Mr. Hartley is a progressive merchant here and the postmaster and Miss Mary is the elder daughter of Paul Hutto, of Leesville. We extend congratulations and wish them much joy and happiness through life.

Oct. 1, 1906. Billy Felix.

Opening at Newberry College.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Last Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock when the former students of Newberry college were greeting one another with pleasant smiles and loud voices, "Hello, there," and when the trees on the campus and college buildings themselves seemed to rejoice at the return of her "old boys," the old college bell called the students to meet in the auditorium. If there is a happy day in the student's life it is the day when after a summer's vacation they are blessed with the privilege to meet one another again on the college grounds.

After the devotional exercises in the chapel, Prof. S. J. Derrick gave the address of welcome to the former students and to the "Rats" in particular. The address was very humorous and witty, but still it was full of meaning and pathos. It was very interesting throughout and all gave their undivided attention to the speaker. After this and the remarks from the various professors the new students were classified according to their several abilities.

The former students who returned from Lexington county were as follows: Arthur W. Ballentine, Willie

E. Long, Hollie L. Harman, George Lever, Willie H. Derrick, Henry B. Wessinger, S. F. Derrick and W. Darr Haltiwanger, who, we are sorry to say, has been ill and was not able to return at the opening, but is expected every day.

The new students who came up for admission were as follows: C. B. Epting, A. E. Lown, J. H. Riser, Edgar Rawl, S. D. McCartha, J. M. Meetze, J. T. Meetze, E. F. K. Roof, J. T. Crenshaw, I. V. Matthews and perhaps others whom I did not have a chance to meet. We are proud of such a handsome number of new boys from our mother county and we hope by next year the numbers will be very much increased.

The formal opening of Newberry college was held on Friday morning. Rev. W. H. Greever gave the address of welcome from the church at large. He took as his subject for discussion, "Some Ideal Aims of True Education." In this discussion he set forth the importance of a person introducing himself to himself, or in other words the importance of a person studying himself in order to learn what he is fit for in life. After then he has found his worth prepare himself for that particular sphere in life. Equip himself for his calling. Rev. W. L. Seabrook, pastor of the college church, church of the Redeemer, extended greeting to the students of the college. As the college is a non-sectarian school, the pastors of other denominations of the town also extended a welcome to the student.

On Friday night the reception to the new students was given under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association. Several addresses were made and quite a number of college songs were sung by the former students of the college.

Best wishes to Dispatch and its many readers, I am,
Sept. 29. A Senior Student.

Gilbert News.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Quite cool and rainy. Real unfavorable weather for gathering crops. Many fine peavines remain in the field—some cut.

Rough on the R. F. D. carriers, but Uncle Sam says, "Go on, boys."

Mr. Suite, who once resided here, but for many years has been away, is here now very low from the effects of paralysis. He is in the home of Mr. Lewie Hallman, where he is most tenderly cared for.

The death of Mr. Hazael Shealy was very unexpected. It is said that Mr. Shealy did a hard day's work Saturday, ate a hearty supper and retired in his usual good health, but awoke the family about midnight telling them that he was not feeling well and to go for the doctor. His son, Mr. Pierce, went at once for the doctor and before he returned, though not more than a mile, death had done its work. Mr. Shealy had been engaged in milling for several years, but built himself a pretty home in Hollow Creek and turned the once surrounding forest into fertile fields, which yield annually bountiful crops. His mode of farming was a model for the surrounding country. He was a kind and obliging neighbor and a true friend at all times.

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CONGRESSMAN LEVER IS MUCH ENCOURAGED

Feels That Congressman Burton's Trip to South Carolina Will Prove of Benefit.

Lexington, Sept. 29.—Congressman Lever has returned to his home from an extensive trip with Congressman Burton, chairman of the rivers and harbors committee of the house, who for the past week has been making an inspection of the Congaree, Santee and Wateree rivers and also the harbor improvements about Georgetown. Congressman Burton comes into the State upon the urgent request of Congressman Lever, who last spring impressed upon him the great importance of river improvement in this district and the State at large.

Mr. Lever looks tired and worn out, but he is enthusiastic over the prospect of having adequate appropriations for all needed improvements carried in the river and harbor bill to be passed at the next session of congress. Speaking of the matter, he said: "I feel that we have done a fine work in having Mr. Burton take the trip. He expressed himself as much pleased with our possibilities in the way of river navigation, and of Columbia as a commercial center he seemed deeply impressed. I am confident that we sent him away thoroughly convinced of the feasibility of the effort to make the Congaree navigable to the Senate street landing, and he knows now that Georgetown has in her splendid harbor the making of a fine port, particularly when the rivers running into that harbor receive the hearty sympathy and aid they deserve from the federal government. I fear our people do not fully realize what water transportation will mean, not alone to Columbia, but to the entire State. Columbia is the natural hub of the State, when it comes to railroad facilities, and when we give her the means of controlling freight rates by water competition, we have made her a distributing point for the greater part of the freight, at lower rates, for the entire central and up State. And I see no reason why we should not succeed in developing this natural transportation route. We are in every respect as favorably situated as Augusta, and when we decide to take our candle from under the bushel, we may expect some consideration from those who can then see the light. I have no idea what amount we are going to be able to get for this work. It may be much and it may be little, but of one thing I am certain and that is that we are going to make the effort of our lives to get a sufficient amount to give us free navigation in the Congaree at all seasons of the year and I am sanguine of success."

The people of Lexington not only appreciate the work of their congressman, but at the same time feel a personal and county pride in it.—State, September 30.

Batesburg.

We note from Batesburg correspondent of the State, that the Southern railway is building nearly a half mile of additional side track, which will add much to the convenience of the public and business.

The first month's work of the school at that place is reported to be highly satisfactory to teachers and patrons.

The same correspondent reports scarcely a half crop of cotton with a fair yield of corn, and the season promises to be hard on farmers and merchants.

Death of Mrs. G. M. Harman.

The Dispatch is printed one day late this week, because the sorest affliction of his life has befallen its Editor.

After an illness of nine days, in which she suffered the most intense misery, and yet bore it with the fortitude of a Spartan mother and Christian soldier. Mrs. G. M. Harman, the devoted wife, life long companion and chief consolation in trouble, the partner of his joys, the participant in his sorrows, passed from earth to eternity. The sweetest rose from the garden of his heart was plucked by the Unseen Hand, and there is sorrow unspeakable in his heart.

Mrs. Pauline Lavinia Harman was the youngest daughter and child of the late Judge Lemuel Boozer, and was born August 21st, 1845, and breathed her last October 3d, 1906, at 12.25 o'clock, a. m., making her earthly sojourn sixty-one years, one month and twelve days. Her illness began last Monday, one week ago, when she was suddenly and violently seized with a case of acute indigestion, and though it was thought at first that she would rally from the attack under the skillful attention of Drs. J. J. Wingard and her nephew, A. E. Boozer, and through the patient and intelligent nursing of Miss Anna G. Herriot, of Columbia. Inflammation of the brain set up, and the forces of disease proved too much for her physical strength, though she made as brave and uncompromising fight as was ever made by a soldier on the field of battle.

On the 21st of November, 1866, she was married to G. M. Harman, and for forty years proved herself a devoted and loving wife, a tender and considerate mother, a firm and true friend, "an ever present help in time of need."

She is survived by three daughters: Misses Vinnie, Florrie and Iceline Harman, and three sons, A. Michael, Rice B. and Singleton H.; a brother, A. M. Boozer, Esq., Columbia, and two sisters, Mrs. S. C. A. Scott, Columbia, and Mrs. L. H. Russell, Abbeville, S. C.

She was a consistent member of St. Stephen's Lutheran church. Her funeral services were conducted at the home of G. M. Harman by Rev. J. G. Graichen, her pastor, assisted by Rev. W. D. Quick.

The pall bearers were as follows: George S. Drafts, John J. Fox, W. P. Roof, Sam'l. B. George, W. W. Barre, P. H. Corley, Thos. P. Meetze, H. L. Oswald.

Her chief characteristics were the unostentatious manner of her living, her devotion to her home duties, and her ardent love for her family, in whose bosom she lived almost exclusively. A severe illness in her early married life and the loss of three children made her rather melancholy in her disposition, and averse to the ordinary pleasures of the intelligent woman.

Peace to her soul; a fond farewell! To those who have been so kind in this hour of my greatest grief, I wish to return my sincere appreciation. While my affliction is great, while my loss cannot be measured in words, the memory of her devotion, her Christian courage and charity, her unshaken fortitude and determination in the face of the direst adversity, will nerve me to continue the hard battle of life, and more thoroughly consecrate me to the work of teaching the truth as God has given it to me to see the truth.

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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

First Service Held in New Church at Johnston.

Johnston, Sept. 28.—In 1903 the St. John's Lutheran church was organized. In March, 1904, the present pastor, P. D. Risinger, took charge. Today the congregation is more than doubled and they are the proud possessors of a beautiful new church building of concrete block holding their first regular service last Sunday, Sept. 23. The formal dedication and laying of cornerstone will take place at an early date. There are 16 stained glass windows, each one representing a memorial as follows: Ladies' Aid Society, Johnston; Joint Council of St. John's Pastorate; Rev. Jas. D. Kinard and Junior Band, St. Matthew's Parish, Orangeburg county; St. Peter's (Meetze) E. L. Church, Lexington county; Luther chapel E. L. church, Lexington county; St. Stephen's E. L. church, Lexington county; Cedar Grove E. L. church, Lexington county; St. Peter's (P. W.) E. L. church, Lexington; Mt. Hebron E. L. church, Saluda county; Jacob L. Caughman, deacon, died January 20, 1905; Children's Missionary society, St. John; Children's Missionary society, Mt. Cavalry and Good Hope; Cleveland Browning, died January 12, 1901, Elloree; Silas Yonce, Johnson; Ebenezer

Sunday school of Columbia. Mr. Risinger, the pastor, is a young, active man and has accomplished his heart's desire in the erection of the church in a very quiet, unostentatious way—and he and his flock though small in number have just cause to be proud of their efforts. Aside from the uplift in morals and salvation of souls the building is an ornament that the town is proud of. Mr. Risinger and his congregation are to be congratulated and it is the delight of all to hear another church bell pealing forth the Gospel call.—The State.

Storm on Gulf Coast.

The most terrible storm for many years swept over the Gulf Coast from New Orleans, La., to Pensacola, Fla., on last Thursday. Hundreds of lives were lost and millions of dollars in property were destroyed. The heaviest part of the storm seems to have struck Mobile, where over a hundred lives were lost and \$3,000,000 worth of property dashed into ruins by the angry winds and waves. The wind blue in the nature of a hurricane and continued for many hours. It was predicted that the same storm would reach the coast of South Carolina but fortunately it did not.

The county is supporting nine paupers in the poor house. One white and eight colored.

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