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WALHALLA, S. C. :

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News from Long Creek.

Long Creek, April 12.—Corn planting is the order of the day now.

Last Sunday we had a hail storm in the upper part of this section, but it didn't do any damage.

Mrs. Tom Thrift is very ill at this writing. We hope for her recovery soon.

Miss Frances Moore is very sick.

We have a good Sunday school at Long Creek church, under the management of Superintendent James Lee.

We had a nice little snow storm on the 6th of April, and the back mountains were white with snow.

We had a fine march at Long Creek school house last Saturday. Miss Delia Phillips is president of the march and we are going to have the group taken soon.

L. F. Phillips was visiting here recently.

Andrew Ramey was the guest of of Bunyan Phillips last Sunday.

The young folks of this section seem to be enjoying life now.

The wedding bells are ringing here now.

Letter to Rev. E. S. Jones, Walhalla.

Dear Sir: In making pastoral visits, of course, you do not consider your pleasure or comfort or ease; you go where your people live. But you have two sets of feelings in going about—can't help it—we all have. But you especially have; for a part of your business is sympathy. Well-kept lawns and well-tilled fields, nice homes and nice people, are cheerful to you, as they are to everyone. Tumble-down buildings, poor fences, men harassed by burdens too heavy for them, overworked women, and dirty-faced children, you may be strong to get on with; but you would be more than human to find inspiration in misery.

Paint divides the two sorts of people: one paints, and the other don't. Or, perhaps, the thrifty paint well; the unthrifty paint ill.

To paint well is to keep paint sound. There are two ways to do it: one is bound to paint often; the other to use good paint.

It costs about half as much to paint Devoe as to paint with any other paint; for Devoe takes fewer gallons than mixed paints and wears twice as long as lead-and-oil.

Thrifty and comfortable have the art of using money more wisely. How lucky they are! how happy. Yours truly, F. W. Devoe & Co.

P. S.—J. W. Bell, Walhalla, G. W. Gignilliat, Seneca, and Matheson Hardware Co., Westminster, sell our paint.

At the County Farm.

Walhalla, R. F. D. No. 1, April 10.—Uncle Jack Frost visited us on Thursday night. He made us think that Christmas had come again.

The old colored pauper, the only one at the farm, died on Thursday night.

Your scribe took a tumble to himself the other day in Westminster. No serious damage done, however.

There are two flourishing Sunday schools in this section, one at Pleasant Hill and the other at Oak Grove. Two of the convicts will leave here on Friday, they having served out their sentences. Commissioner Phillips spent the night with us on Thursday.

People from the different sections are praising our hustling Supervisor for the good condition of the roads. J. H. H.

The Anderson Mail, of Friday, says: Samuel Simpson, who lives several miles above the city, has lost 30 hogs from cholera within the past few days. The disease made its appearance about two weeks ago and before its ravages could be checked every hog that Mr. Simpson owned had died from it. It is said that several of his neighbors have also lost hogs from cholera lately.

Yorkville Enquirer, of Friday, says: John E. Plexico, of Bullock's Creek Township, was in Yorkville yesterday. He told the reporter that he noticed lots of good cotton land planted in corn. He is of the opinion that there has been a considerable reduction in the use of fertilizers; but says that more people are using fertilizers under corn than heretofore.

FIELD MARSHAL OYAMA.

The Japanese Soldier Takes Rank with the Greatest Commanders of the World.

[From the New York Evening Sun.] Field Marshal Oyama, the little, gnarled old Japanese, who wears no medals on his shabby uniform coat, takes place among the great soldiers of the world, and may aptly be compared with Hannibal, Frederick the Great, Marlborough, Napoleon, Wellington and Grant, for he has overwhelmed a vast Russian army on its chosen ground and beaten a general who was justly regarded as one of the ablest of Western strategists. No doubt can remain that the battle of Mukden has been fought to a decisive finish. A Russian army of an estimated strength of 400,000 men, defending entrenched positions with howitzers, machine guns and magazine rifles, and commanded by a general who had a walled city for his headquarters, a railroad at his back, rivers on his front and right, and a mountain pass on his left, has been outfought, broken and routed by an army of Asiatics of about the same strength assuming the offensive.

The bloodiest battle in the annals of war Mukden may be called. Eight thousand Russians lie dead on the ground gained by the indomitable infantry of Oku charging through hells of fire, and the casualties of both armies "far exceed 100,000." But the butcher's bill is still to be itemized, and the total must be cast up again. The Russian center has been "practically annihilated," and on the right the troops of Linevitch and Rennenkampf are in full flight. The Japanese have seized the railway north of Mukden, and apparently have cut off the retreat of Kurapatkin's army. Doubtless, reserves at Harbin are being hurried down the line, but they may find to co-operate with them only the remnants of a demoralized army. Is Mukden to be another Metz? We shall know in twenty-four hours. The drawing off of the fragments of a beaten army scattered over a front of eighty miles and the welding them together into an effective force would seem to be a super-human achievement. In any event, Mukden falls into the hands of the Japanese, and will become the base of Marshal Oyama if further operations should be necessary. But why need the victorious Japanese fire another shot? They possess Korea; they have wrested Port Arthur from the enemy; they have shattered Russian sea power, and with the Mikado's flag flying over the ancient capital of Manchuria, they could rest on the defensive, strengthen their positions on every field gained, and defy the Russian Empire with all its resources to oust them. Would Russia accept the challenge? Further prosecution of the war by the late Colossus of the North would seem to be utterly futile. It might go on until an attempt were made by Rojstvensky's nondescript fleet to destroy the Japanese navy and cut in turn the enemy's communications by sea, but what sane Muscovite would stake a kopeck on the issue?

Ruling Affects Every County in the State.

Columbia, April 8.—Attorney General Gunter has rendered Comptroller Jones an opinion in which he declares that it is unlawful for a County Treasurer to collect taxes after the 15th of March at which time the law says executions shall issue. The ruling affects practically every county in the State, as the Treasurers have for a number of years fallen into the custom of favoring taxpayers, particularly influential ones, by allowing payment after the expiration of the time fixed by law. The penalty is only seven per cent all told and many wait until the very last day to pay. The decision therefore affects many taxpayers.

Japan wants Russia to pay \$500,000,000 indemnity for war damages.

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FROM THE OCOONEE HILLS.

The Brave Mountain People and the Everlasting "Mountain Dew."

Madison, April 15.—Farming in Oconee is progressing rapidly. The favorable spring weather has brought the spring sown oats to a stand, of which a larger crop than usual has been planted. The general sentiment of farmers is to reduce the cotton acreage and the use of fertilizers. Madison is a small town on the Southern Railway, just one mile from the Tugaloo River. This is one of the greatest lumber and shingle markets in the up-country. The Genett Lumber Co., of Tennessee, is located here. Their plant cuts 20,000 feet of lumber per day. The logs are floated down the river for twelve and fifteen miles. The output of the mill is poplar lumber, which is shipped to Northern markets and to the export trade. Pines range from twenty to eighty dollars per thousand feet.

The limit of the cotton belt is about eight miles from this place. Within a few miles may be found the typical mountaineer and with him the proverbial "mountain dew," which is as much a fixture in these parts as the everlasting hills. Neither the vigilance of the dispensary constables nor the relentless judgments of the Supreme Courts have yet succeeded in convincing these sturdy mountaineers that they must give up the moonshining instinct handed down to them by their fathers.

Even the great Southern Railroad, with its fast flying trains and its tons of freight reverberating with the echoes of progress and civilization into these mountain recesses, has accomplished little in winning these sturdy mountaineers away from their simple habits and customs.

These people have scant praise for the frills and fashions of city folks. Their chief luxuries are corn cob pipes and coffee, both of which are strong enough to raise a crop of hair on a baldheaded Charlestonian in one night. A typical mountaineer, with his homespun clothes, may be seen in any of the up-country towns, with his covered wagon drawn by a yoke of oxen, almost any day in the year. He is a type of citizenship as distinct from the cultured Charlestonian as the furrowed mountains of the Western border which raise themselves in sublime contrast to the broad blue sea that washes the Eastern border of the State. Yet he is a good citizen, honest and industrious, brave and fearless, given to hospitality and behind whom is a history worthy of our best writers. Mountain scenery is always grand to the lovers of nature, especially so at this season of the year when forest fires guild the bold peaks with undulating chains of nature's fireworks. This is one bit of scenery that has yet to be duplicated by modern "fireopogist," and which one rarely sees save in winter.

The Southern Railway is making wonderful strides in developing the Piedmont section through which it finds its winding way. The heavy steel rails which are being placed and the iron trestles supplanting wooden ones are evidences of the increasing amount of business being done by this road. Lands within ten or twelve miles are bringing \$30 per acre, which could easily be had a few years back for \$5 per acre. There is almost one continuous hum of machinery from the Tugaloo basin to Charlotte, N. C., where but a few years ago was a wide stretch of black ridges. On the sunny slopes of these foothills there are some of the finest farming lands in the State. With pure sparkling water and a climate which surpasses any, you will find a happy, contented and prosperous people. This is our end of the State, but it is also yours. Come up and sojourn near to nature's heart, for with all our wonderful advantages we still have room for honest and law-abiding citizens.—M. C. B., in News and Courier.

A Cold, A Cough—Consumption.

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The second primary in the Ninth district resulted in the election of W. St. Julien Jervoy over W. Turner Logan for Solicitor.

On the Right Platform.

We see it stated in the newspapers that M. F. Ansel, candidate for Governor, is not fighting the dispensary, but is in favor of local option—that is to say, he believes that each community should decide for itself whether it wants the dispensary. We are heartily in favor of each community exercising its pleasure in the matter. The Keowee Courier and the Newberry Observer have already expressed our opinion on this subject better than we could express it. We agree with the views as reported of Mr. Ansel and beg leave to change our vote as it stood before we spoke two weeks ago. But, in Abbeville, we know of no one here who is dissatisfied with the dispensary, or who wishes to have prohibition or high license. Abbeville's experience with prohibition leaves no doubt on our mind as to what is best for us. We see here very little evidence of drinking, but from the large sales of liquor somebody must be drinking it. It is, therefore, the duty of our church people, and the parents of every station to teach the young men and boys to refrain from drinking. They should not contract the drink habit. It is worse than folly to abuse the dispensary while nothing is being done to restrain our people from drink.—Abbeville Press and Banner.

The Pickens Teachers.

Pickens, April 6.—The Pickens county teachers will attend the State summer school at Clemson College this summer. In order to arrive at the pleasure of the teachers in the matter, County Superintendent of Education Hallum sent out a circular letter. Replies have been received from all the leading teachers of the county and about 95 per cent. of them favor going to Clemson. Judging from the number of favorable replies received the indications are that there will be the same number of Pickens teachers in attendance at Clemson as usually attend the county school.—Special to the Columbia State.

The student, G. M. Trammell, who disappeared from Furman University the latter part of last week, without telling Dr. Poteat or any of the professors good-bye, has turned up in the city of Atlanta.

Japan is preparing to send strong reinforcements to Manchuria to strengthen Oyama's army. The shipping of soldiers will begin in the near future. It is planned to have 1,000,000 men in Manchuria by autumn. This means that Japan already has fully 700,000 fighting men in line against Russia.

It is estimated that 1,000,000 immigrants will have come to this country this year. A large proportion of them come from Russia and they are said to be a very undesirable class. The steamship companies are largely responsible for the great influx, and as the number annually increase the agitations for further restrictions grows. Of course there is room in this country for many millions more, but the trouble is they do not spread through the country, but congregate in the cities.

Your Heart

May Be Weak. One Person in Four Has a Weak Heart.

One of the surest signs of a weak heart is shortness of breath after exercise. Your heart is not able to pump the blood fast enough to your lungs. Some of the other symptoms of Heart Trouble are: Pains in the Side, Back and Shoulder; Fainting or Weak Spells; Dry Cough; Swelling of Feet and Ankles; Cold Feet or Hands. No one can afford to allow a weak heart to go without medicine, because weak heart means poor circulation, and poor circulation means weak lungs, stomach, liver, kidneys, etc. If, therefore, you suspect heart trouble, begin taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure. The Heart Cure will do you good, as it is a splendid tonic for the blood and nerves, and will revitalize your entire system. Finally, remember, Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is sold under a guarantee that the first bottle will do you good. If it doesn't—your money back.

"I was afflicted with heart trouble for three years. I could be apparently all right, and without a moment's warning would fall as though shot. The attacks were frequent, and a terrible dread possessed me, as I never knew when or where, nor under what conditions I would be attacked, and whether I would survive them. I consulted and was treated by some of the most eminent physicians of the state. Not finding relief from this source, I began taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure, and began to improve at once. I used ten bottles, which entirely cured me, as I have not had an attack for five years."—MRS. JOHN BRESEBACK, Leipsic, O. FREE Write to us for Free Trial Package of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills, the New Scientific Remedy for Pain. Also Symptom Blank. Our Specialist will diagnose your case, tell you what is wrong, and how to right it. Free. DR. MILES' MEDICAL CO., LABORATORIES, ELKHART, IND.

Coon Beats Mountain Lion.

James A. McCallum has a mountain lion that he is now willing to part with to any one as a gracious gift. When he received the fine looking cougar a few days ago from a friend in the Rocky Mountains he thought that he had an animal that could whip anything that wore hair, but when the king of the mountain beasts was fought to a standstill the other day by an ordinary old ring-tailed coon McCallum lost heart. The lion was seen a few days ago in his cage by Jack Cook. The lion tipped the beam at 175 pounds, but Cook said his old coon could lick him.

The other morning Cook's coon was thrown into the cage with the lion. The fight began at once. The lion made vicious strokes with his paws at the coon, but the wily little animal proved to be an adept at dodging all the blows. No quicker would the blow of the lion prove futile than the coon would grab him by the throat and begin to claw with all his might. He would soon loosen his hold and jump away. This was repeated for about twenty-five minutes, when the lion, bleeding profusely, skulked to a corner and refused to battle further.

The coon was taken out of the cage with hardly a scratch on him and apparently proud of his work with his heavy antagonist. Cook's little ring-tailed animal weighs about twenty pounds, but he says its worth its weight in gold.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Four hundred persons were killed or injured by the collapse of the new water reservoir in the course of construction at Madrid, Spain, on the 8th instant.