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AN ACT TO REVISE AND AMEND AN the application of the head of the fami-ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REDUCE ly, in the purchase of a homestead of that value. The residue in the hands county, who, having been duly sworn, ny." DETERMINE AND PERPETUATE THE HOMESTEAD INTO ONE ACT, AND TO AMEND THE SAME."

SECTION 1. Be it endeted by the

Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the family homestead of the head of each family residing in this State, such homestead consisting of dwelling-house, outbuildings and lands appurtenans, not to exceed the value of one thousand dollars, and yearly product thereof, shall be exempt from attachment, levy or sale, on any mesne or final process issued from any Court upon any judg ment obtained upon any right of action, whether arising previous or subsequent to the ratification of the Constitution of ministrators, Executors, &c\$9 00 the Constitution of the State of South debts Contract Advertisements inserted upon the Carolina; and it shall be the duty of the Sheriff, or other officer, before executing any process against the real estate of any head of a family resident in this State, to cause a homestead, as above stated, to be set off to said person in the manner following, to wit: He shall cause three appraisers to be appointed, one to be named by the creditor, one by the debtor, and one by himself, who shall be discreet and disinterested men. and in no wise related to either party, resident in the County, and who shall be sworn by a Trial Justice or other officer authorized by law to administer onths, to impartially appraise and set off, by metes and bounds, a homestead, not to exceed in value one thousand dollars; and said appraisers shall make return of their action in the premises, under their hands and seals, to the Sheriff or other officer, within ten days after the assignment and set off is made, for record in Court, giving the metes bounds, as well as the value of the homestead so set off, for which purpose they shall be author ized to call in the aid of a surveyor, if they, or a majority of them, decm it necessary. And if no complaint shall be made by either party, within thirty days after the return of the appraise is has been filed, the proceedings in the case shall b : final : Provided, That up on good cause shown, within thirty days after filing the return of said appraisers the court out of which the process issued may order a re-appraisement and reassignment of the homestead by other appraisers appointed by the court : And provided further, That should the creditor or debtor neglect or refuse, after ten days' notice from the officer in whose hands the process is lodged, to nominate an appraiser, then the said officer shall appoint the same.

SEC. 2. That when thirty days shall have elapsed after the filing the return of said appraisers, setting off a home stead to any debtor, according to the provisions of Section 1 of this Act, and no good cause has been shown, or ex ceptions filed against such return, such debtor may have such return recorded in the offic of the Register of Mesne conveyance of the county in which the same is located; and upon such return being so recorded in thirty three days after the proceedings have become final the title to the homestead so set off and assigned, shall be forever discharged from all debts of said debtor then existing or thereafter contracted.

SEC. 3. That whenever, in the assignment of a homestead, as provided in Section 1 of this Act, the appraisers shall find that the premises, including the dwelling house and out houses, exceed the value of one thousand dollars, and that the same cannot be divided without injury to the remainder, they shall make and sign, under oath, an appraisal thereof, and deliver the same to the Sheriff, who shall deliver a copy thereof to the head of the family claiming the homestead, or to some member of the family of suitable age to understand the nature thereof, with a notice attached, that unless the person so claim ing the homestead shall pay to said Sheriff the surplus of the appraised value over and above one thousand dollars, within sixty days thereafter, such premises will be sold, and on failure to pay such surplus is the time limited. the Sheriff shall advertise and sell the said : premises, and, out of the proceeds of such sale, shall pay into the office of

of the Sheriff, if any, after paying all expenses incident to the appraisement and sale of the property, shall be applied by him to any executions in his hands, according to law: Provided, That no sale shall be made unless a greater sum than one thousand dollars shall be bid therefor : Provided, further, That if, after notice, the party claiming the homestead pays, or causes to be paid, the surplus over one thousand dollars, he shall, upon recording the return and receipt of the Sheriff for such surplus endorsed on said return, as provided in Section 2 of this Act, hold the property so appraised and set off, freed and dis charged from all debts and demands then existing against such parties; but as to such surplus not from debts thereafter contracted, like proceedings to the

SEC. 4. If the husband be dead, the widow and children, if the father and mother be dead, the children living on the homestead, whether any or all such children be minors or not, shall be entitled to have the family homestead exempted in like manner as if the husband or parents were living; and the homestead so exempted shall be subject to partition among all the children of he head of the family in like manner as if no debts existed : Provided, That no partition or sale in that case shall be made until the youngest child becomes of age, unless, upon proof satisfactory to the court hearing the case, such sale is deemed best for the interest of such minor or minors

foregoing being in such case allowable

SEC. 5. No waiver of the right of homestead, however solemnly executed, shall be binding upon the head of the family, or, in case of his or her death, his or her heirs, so us to defeat the homestead herein provided for.

SEC. 6. The personal property of the head of any family, residing in this tate, consisting of the yearly products of his or her homestead, and of the property subject to exemption under the constitution, shall be exempt from attachment, levy or sule : Provided, That shall receive for such service seventy in case the right of such exemption be five cents, and five cents a mile for every disputed by the creditor, the officer in mile of necessary travel. The foregoing whose hands the process is lodged shall cause the same to be ascertained and appraised, and all exempted property so ascertained and appraised, by appraisers appointed and sworn for that purpose, as provided in Section 1 of this Act, shall vest absolutely in the party freed from all debts of the debtor then existing, or thereafter contracted, whether such lebtor retain or sell the property: Pro eided, further, That a debtor, being the head of a family as hereinbefore stated and not being the owner of any homestead, shall be entitled to a like exemption of personal property, as herein allowed to the owner of a homestead, to be ascertained in the same manner.

SEC. 7. That exemptions contained in the preceding Sections of this Act shall not extend to an attachment, levy er sale on any mesne or final process issued to secure or enforce the payment of taxes or obligations contracted for the purchase of said homestead, or obliga tions contracted for the erection of im provements thereon: Provided, The court or authority issuing said process shall certify thereon that the same is issued for some one or more, and no other, of said purposes : Provided, further, The yearly product of said homestead shall be subject to attachment, levy and sale to secure or enforce the payment of obligations contracted in the production of the same, but the Court issuing the process therefor shall certify thereon that the same is issued

for said purpose, and no other. SEC. 8. Whenever the head of any family, widow or children shall be entitled to an estate or right of homestead as hereinbefore provided, and no process has been lodged with any officer against such homes ead, the party or parties en titled to such homestead may apply at any time, by petition to the Judge of the Probate Court, to have the same appraised and set off. The Judge of Probate shall, thereupon, after giving public notice by advertising the intention of such party or parties to have his or their homesteads set off for thirty days in a paper published in the county ladies. where the land lies, and in case no the clerk of the circuit court one thous- paper is published in the county, then by and dollars, which shall be applied, un- posting the notice on the door of his. der the order of the circuit Judge, upon office, and in three other public places, about."

shall proceed to appraise and set off, by metes and bounds, such howaestead, and make return to him. If to complaint shall be made by any creditor, or other person interested, against aid appraisal and setting off of the homestead, within thirty days after the return of the ap praisers, the same shall be confirmed by the Judge and ordered accordingly Provided, That no appraisement shall be made or return filed unftil the notice has expired. Personal property, to the extent and of the kind hereinbefore stated, may be exempted and set off in

proceeds of every person, not being the head of a family, of every avocation, without regard to valuation, character or condition of products for earnings, shall be exempted from attachment, for the recovery of all after contracted levy and sale, except to enjoyee the pay ment of taxes.

SEC. 10. That no Sher iff, constable. or other officer, whose daty it is to en force executions, shall proceed in any other manner than is prescribed in this Act; and should any officer sell any reaf estate, or sell or remove any personal property, in violation of the provisious of this Act, and of Section 32 of Article II of the constitution of the State of South Carolina, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof. shall, for the first offenset be fined in a sum not less than five hundred dollars. (\$500,) nor more than one thousand dollars. (1.0 10,) and, upon conviction, for the second offense, his coffice shall be deemed vacant; and, in either case, he shall be liable, in damages, to the par ties injured, for all injuries, by season

of his wrongful levy or SEC. 11. Appraisers appointed to se off the homestead under this Act shall receive as compensation for such survice two dollars each per day and five cents a mile for every mile of necessary travel The Sheriff shall receive five dollars for all services incidental to setting off the homestead, but exclusive of all necessary disbur ements. The Trial Justice or other officer who qualifies the appraisers. tees shall be paid by the officer execut ing the process, out of the property of the debtor, or, in case of the homestead set off to the widow or minor children, out of the estate of the deceased, by the executor or administrator thereof: Pro vided. That the officer, before setting off the homestead and exemption, in any case, shall be entitled to demand and receive from the plaintiff in execution. n advance, a sum of money sufficient to cover the necessay fees and costs herein allowed. Whenever a homestead is set off; as provided in Section 8 of this Act, the Probate Judge shall receive as com pensation five dollars for all services, in cluding the record of the proceedings, but excluding the advertising, which shall not exteed five dollars, and which fecs and costs shall be paid, in advance, by the party claiming the homestead and

exemption. SEC. 12. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with or supplied by this Act. be, and the same are hereby, repealed. Approved February 22, 1873.

Judging by Appearance.

A good story is told by a Yankee ditor, in illustrations of the folly of judging from appearances. A person dressed in a suit of homespun clothes. stepped into a house in Boston, on some business, where several ladies were assem bled in a inner room. One of the company remarked in a low tone, that a countryman was in waiting and agreed to have some fun. The following diaogue ensued:

"You're from the country, I sup-

"Yes, I'm from the country." "Well, sir, what do you think of the

"It's got a tarnal sight of houses in "I expect there are many

ladies where you come from." "Oh, yes, a woundy sight! just for all the world like them," pointing to the

them, no doubt. "Yes, I beaus 'em to meetin'

"Maybe the gentleman will take a glass of wine," said one of the compa "I thankee : don't care if I do."

"But you must drink a toast." "I cats toast what Aunty Debby makes" but as to drinkin, I never seed

What was the surprise of the com pany to hear the stranger speak as fol-

"Lådies and gentlemen, permit me to wish you health and happiness with every blessing the earth can afford, and I advise you to bear in mind that we are often deceived by appearances. You mistook me by my dress for a country booly: I from the same cause, SEC. 9. That one third of the yearly thought these men were gentlemen. The deception is mutual. I wish you good

Spice.

A zealous divine in this city unfor unately encountered last Sunday a de achment of Harris' Brigade 'pickit' guards, busily a work on the streets and sternly accosted the bullet headed rep resentative of the green isle nearest

·What are you doing this for ?" 'Three dollars a day, sur,' promptly esponded Pat.'

You might be better employed on-a day like this.' · . .

Thrue for you, sur, an. I'd be glad f a job that u'd pay betther.'

'Ah ? my friend,' said the shepherd you should raise your eyes to higher things to day."

Is it raisin, me eyes I'd be wie the pick in me fist. Begora, I thried that yesterday, and drav the pick through Tim Donovon's big too, there. He tuck me a lick wid a shovel, and there wor as fine a fight as ye'd see this side of Con nau, ht in five minutes '

'But,' persisted the good man, 'd, you not feel an inward spirit-' ·Spirit? In me inwards? Divil a drop the day, and the mouth of me as

dhry as a lime kiln.' ... 'Ah ! no, my friend, 'tis that spir't which destroys.'

Shur I know it-it destroys thirst and if yer afther tippin us the price of a couble o' glasses, said Par, with a sly twinkle, 'to drink yer 'anner's health

'No, my health is well enough; but can you not be persuaded to give up work for this day !"

'Shure it's as airy as a cat drinkin' crame for yer anner, to make me do that

'Indeed then let my powers of persua

'Oh, bother your power of persuasion; if ye'll put three dollars in the fis: of me sure I'll drap me pick to day intirely, and here's Tim Grady the blackguard, been waiting as a substituot half the morning,' as will take me place.' The good man didn't exactly see it in

this light; but the boss of the gang, observing Pat's pick was idle, sent some sulphrous expletives in that direction which put it in such lively motion that his questioner was compelled to withdraw outside them and the circle of splashes and ice splinters that immediately sur rounded the scene of operations; - Boston Com. Bulleton.

I had more money than he had to car ry on the fuit," said a mean individual who had just won a law-suit over a poor neighor, "and that's where I had the advantage of him. Then I dad much better counsel than he; and there I had the advantage of him. And his family were sick while the suit was pending, so he couldn't attend to it, and there I had the advantage of him again. But then, Brown is a very decent sort of man after all." "Yes," said his listener and there's where he has the advantage

To "dun," to press for money due. comes from one Joe Dunn, a famous bailiff of Lincoln in England, during the reign of Henry V11. He was so uncommonly successful in collecting money that when a man refused to pay, the collector was asked why he he didn't

Prayer purifies; it is a self-preached

"And you are quite a beau among Live with wolves and you will learn

In seeing the good of others we find

Orangeburg's Gala Day.

LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF THE NEW FAIR BUILDING. * purpose of laying the corner stone of the

THE BRIGHT AND THE SHADY SIDES OF THE PICTURE-A GREAT GATHERING - MASONIC CEREMONIES-THE FAIR GROUNDS AND THE BUILDING -AD-DRESS OF GRAND MASTER IZLAR AND PLEASANT AND MEMORABLE OCCA-

[Prom the Charleston News & Courier.] Last- Saturday had been appointed

THE LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE OF THE FAIR BUILDING

which is being erected by the Agricultural and Mechanical Association of Or angeburg County, and, by seven o'clock people in buggies, wagons and carriages, and on horseback, muleback and on foot commenced to pour into the village. The Masons were to conduct the cere monies, and, at ten o'clock they assem bled in tremendous force, several hun dred strong, at Masonic Hall, over the store of Vose & Izlar, on Russell street. There a procession was formed consisting of the Masons, the various Granges and the officers of the Agricultural and Mechanical Association. The Masons carried their banners, three of which bore respectively the inscriptions 'Faith.' "Hope" and "Charity" and three others re-pectively the Ionic, Darie and Corinthian columns, symbolic of strength, wisdom and beauty. The procession marched through Russell, Market and At the gate of the Fair Ground, they passed under a large arch handsomely decorated with eyergreens and flowers. and thence marched to the platform which had tem erected on the foundations of the building for the a commodation of the speakers, musicians and officiating Masons. The platform having been occu pied by those to whom it was assigned, the remainding of the procession form : i in double rank in front and around it. pine brush shelter crowde l with

THE BEAUTY OF ORANGEBURG

County, while back of the Masons and Granges was a semicircle of vehicles of all kinds, filled with ladies who could not find a place in the arbor. Samuel Dib ble, Esq. acted as murshil of the day, and to his admirab! y systematic manage ment and indefatigable exertions are to be attributed the excellent order and quiet with which the whole proceedings vemducted. Before reaching the procession grounds interrupted for a moment by a pleasing but unexpected incident A daughter, of Mayor Briggmann advanced to Dr. Barton, the worthy president of the Agricultural and Mo chanical Association, and encircled his neck with a beautiful wreath as a token of the esteem in which he was held by the fair daughters of Orangeburg.

ground, situated on Amelia street not very far from the railroad. They are capable of bring highly embellished, and will no doubt, in a few years present a very handsome appearance. It has already been determined to locate a race track or halt a mile around them, and although it will require some grading

THE FAIR GROUNDS

contain thirty four acres of rolling

the society have no doubt of securing a firstrate trade. They also propose to allow each stockholder to p'ant a tree either along the track or in front of the building and to give it his name. In this way all will take an individual pride and pleasure in ornamenting the grounds

THE BUILDING

itself is to be eighty feet long by forty

five feet wide and two stories high. The front will show three doors and four windows in the lower story, and seven windows in the upper story. The low er story will be divided into a large hall and a small committee room and small ladies, rooms, while the upper will be all one large hall. The root will be what is known as a truss roof, so that there will be no columns to take up rooms in the halls and mar the effect produced by their large size. When not in use by the Association, the lower story will pro bably be rented out as a school room, for amusements of various kinds.

NUMER 29 The audience being now all attention

R W James F Izlar, district deputy grand master addressed them as follows: ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER IZEAR.

We are assembled here to day for the

Fair Building of the Grangeburg Agri cultural and Mechanical Association. according to ancient masonic prage; and we extend to all those who have come up to cheer and assist in this noble enterprise a most cordial and hearty greeting. To those unacquainted with ORATION OF JUDGE GLOVER-A the object of our institution, these core monies may appear vain, idle and un meaning. But to us who have proceed the Square, and have seen the light they are full of beauty, fraught with in terest, and teach great and important truths. As the rude and unpolished stone, just taken from the quarry, is symbolical of our rude and imperfect state by nature, so this polished stone made ready by the hands of the skilful workman to be adjusted in the building. is typical of that perfection to which we may at last arrive by a good and wirth ous life-"our own endeavors and the blessings of God." It represents the heart and mind of man, divested of sall the vices and superfluities of life," and fitted as a lively and living stone for that spiritual building, "That house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." It represents the soul of man ripened for heaven and glory ; for it can only be now tried by the Square of God's Holy Word, and pronounced perfect. This stone is a perfect cube, which is sym bolical of truth. It is square, which is an emblem of morality, or the strict per formance of every duty. Its durability. in contrast with the decay and rain of the wooden edifice to be created upon it, reminds the Mason that when this earth Amelia streets to the Fair Grounds, Ily house of his tabernacle shall have pussed away, he bas within them a care foundation stone of eternal life-a corner stone of immortality—an emenation from that Divice Spirit which pervader all nature, and which, therefore, must survive the tomb, and rise triumphant and eternal above the decaying dust of death and the grave. Thus, by the cor ner stone, the good Mason is taught significaen and useful lessons. Lessons of duty, virtue and religious truth are To the right of the platform, was a large portrayed to the contemplative mind, and he is led "from nature up to nature"s God"-from the vanity and defermity of the things of earth to the glories and beauties of Heaven. The stone of the temporal building is tried by the Square, Level and Plumb, and pronounced to be well formed, true and trusty." So the Mason in this life must be tried by temptation, suffering and adversity be fore he becomes a polished stone, fit for the Temple above. He must be tested by the Square of Faith, the Level of Hope, and the Plumb line of charitybefore he can be pronounced by the Master Builder of souls to be material fit for the spiritual building of Eternal Life. But if he comes forth from the trials, temptations and sufferings like pure gold from the renner's fire, then verify shall he be deemed "Well formed true and trusty," and worthy to offer Unto the Lord an offering in righteoux ness," The corn, wine and oil are types and symbols of all those abundant gifts of Divine Providence bestowed on us daily, and are spoken of by King David in his catalogue of blessings, "As wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread that strengtheneth man's heart." Wherefore, my brethern, do you carry cern, wine and oil in your processions, but to remind you that in the pilgrim age of human life you are to impart a portion of your bread to feed the hungry, to send a cup of your wine to cheer the sorrowful, and to pour the healing oil of convolation into the wounds which sick ness hath made in your bodies, or afflic tion rent in the hearts of your fellow travellers." Such are some of the use ful lessons and important truths these ceremonies are intended to teach. Let us study, then, these truths, practice these virtues, and so live as to fit our selves as lively and living stones for the spiritual building of eternal life. again I extend to you all a warm and heartfelt walcome

THE CEREMONIES.

There was sung the Mason's ode. Where earth's foundation first was laid," Mr. Aldrich performing upon the organ, and being assisted by an able choir. Rev. Bro. A. B Stephene, of and the upper story as a public hall for the Methodist Church, then offered up

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THE SEE SHIPSHIP