

cut in his cotton crop, reducing it about 25 acres below last year, and giving the attention to corn instead. In this connection, he also said that he is going largely into the raising of pumpkins this year, planting all his bottom land with them. The raising of pumpkins used to be very general previous to the war, and the crop paid handsomely; but of late, most people seem to have dropped pumpkins from their cornfields. Mr. Wright, however, says that pumpkins constitute the best stock feed to be had. Cut up, boiled and mixed with corn meal, they make milk and butter in abundance, and will keep mule and horses in as good condition as corn. He thinks that the despised pumpkin is a great institution, if proper attention is given to it.

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION.

This Should Be Made the Basis of the Selection of Graded School Teachers.

EDITORS YORKVILLE ENQUIRER: In reading your remarks about election of teachers to the graded school, that dissatisfaction was felt by those applicants who were not elected, I respectfully suggest as a solution of a much vexed problem to the trustees, that they adopt the plan that is successful in Greenville and is certainly "justice to all—favor to none," i. e. have a competitive examination by all the applicants at the same time, upon a given day, the largest percentage obtaining the position. Then there certainly could be no fault found, and the school would get the teachers best equipped for the most responsible position in the world—the moulding and training of the minds and characters of children.

ON LOOKER. Yorkville, S. C., May 24, 1899.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

No Ball For Meetze.

Columbia State, Thursday: When the state supreme court assembled yesterday morning at 10 o'clock the chief justice announced that the motion for bail for Willie Meetze had been refused, the opinion of the majority of the members being that it should be. He made it clear, however, that no use was to be made of the hearing and action of the court in the further trial of the case. It was ordered that all affidavits, etc., submitted be sent to the clerk of court for Richland county to be filed away with the records of the case.

Piedmont Cotton Mills. The annual meetings of the various cotton mills in this section are about over and they show unprecedented profits, says a Greenville special to the Atlanta Constitution. For instance, the American Spinning company, capital \$125,000, shows net profit of \$37,000; the Piedmont mills, over \$125,000; the Huguenot mills, \$63,000, and others in like proportion. Now while these profits seem large, the profit for the current year will be much larger. The Poe mill, which made \$24,000 for twelve months last year, is now making \$6,000 per month net. This property will add many spindles to the mills of the south. Already the stock for a \$600,000 mill at Anderson, S. C., has been raised and Colonel James L. Orr, president of the Piedmont mills, will be president and treasurer. A 25,000-spindle mill will be built at Belton, S. C., and be nominally in charge of Captain E. A. Smyth. Possibly the easiest thing in the world to do now in this section is to raise a half million dollars to build a cotton mill. All of them paid good dividends and there is all confidence in the future, certainly so far as this year is concerned. There are other evidences of prosperity as well as the thrift of the cotton mills. One banking institution in this city has voluntarily reduced its rate of interest from 8 to 7 per cent. There are less farm loans than ever before in the history of the country.

Distribution of School Funds. August Kohn in News and Courier: Comptroller General Derham has returned to the city, and has undertaken to straighten out the data on which he is to distribute the dispensary profits which go to the schools of the state. It ought to be astounding and mortifying to the lawmakers to know what horrible carelessness and lack of education are to be found among the county superintendents of the state. True, some of the county superintendents are excellent men, judging from their reports; but on the other hand it would appear that some were selected because no one else would take the place. Some of the reports are absolutely unintelligible, and are gotten up in "English as she is wrote." At all events Mr. Derham will have to summarize the reports, see what there is in them, and where the counties report that they have not gotten \$75 per school, nor run for three months, he will make inquiry as to how much money went to the school districts for all purposes, and how much money was used. It is evident that some of the counties are "fudging" on other counties. Some of the county officers are reporting all money received, while others are reporting only the money spent for the teachers, and not money expended for school buildings, charts, improvements and the like. It will be seen that under such a plan a school might spend all its money on school improvements and leave the state to pay the teachers' salaries. The act did not contemplate such a distribution of the fund from the dispensary, and Mr. Derham will immediately ask for a revision of the statements, where it is manifest that only teachers' salaries are included, and he might have all school expenses included, and where the payments on behalf of a school are \$75 or more, then there is no deficiency in that district under the terms of the law as construed. Mr. Derham hopes

to get the data in shape in the next few weeks, and just as soon as it is done the first distribution will be made. Barnwell county reports a very considerable deficiency, and it may be noted that a great many of the teachers' salaries in that county, as reported, range from \$15 to \$20 a month.

AT THE CHURCHES.

ASSOCIATE REFORMED. SUNDAY SERVICES.—TIRZAH—There will be preaching at this church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Sunday-school at 10.00 o'clock. YORKVILLE—Sunday school at 4.30 p. m.

TRINITY METHODIST EPISCOPAL. SUNDAY SERVICE.—In the morning at 11.00; evening service at 8.30 o'clock. Sunday school at 5.00 o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESBYTERIAN. SUNDAY SERVICES.—There will be services next Sunday in this church at 11.00 a. m. Evening service at 8.30. Sunday school at 5 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD. SUNDAY SERVICES.—Morning service at 11 o'clock. No evening service. Sunday school at 4.30 p. m.

BAPTIST. SUNDAY SERVICES.—YORKVILLE—Preaching on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; night service at 8.15 p. m. Sunday school at 4.30 o'clock.

Special Notices.

At the York Cotton Mills. Rev. E. S. Reeves will preach at the York Cotton Mills next Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Fort Mill and Ebenezer. I will preach at Fort Mill on Sabbath morning, May 28th, and at Ebenezer in the afternoon at 4.15. J. H. THORNWELL.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss: LUCAS COUNTY, } FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

1000 CORDS WANTED. I WANT to buy immediately 1,000 CORDS of FIRST CLASS PINE WOOD for the cash. For further information see T. B. McCLAIN. May 20 s tf

TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS. Estate of W. T. Barron, Deceased. ALL persons indebted to the estate of W. T. BARRON, deceased, are hereby notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present them, properly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law. GEO. W. WILLIAMS, Administrator. May 27 s 3t

TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS. Estate of Mrs. M. L. Barron, Dec'd. ALL persons indebted to the estate of Mrs. M. L. BARRON, deceased, are hereby notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present the same, duly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law. JOHN I. BARRON, Administrator. May 27 s 3t

PIEDMONT SPRINGS. THE PIEDMONT SPRINGS opens on JUNE 1st. Dr. D. T. TEAL will have charge of hotel and furnish good board at \$16.00 per month and \$1.00 per day transient. Those desiring to furnish their own board can get rooms at \$1.50 per week—rooms furnished except pillows and sheets. Cooking accommodations furnished. Lythia and other waters. Railroad point, Smyrna, York County, S. C. For analysis of water and other information, address Dr. D. T. TEAL, Smyrna, S. C. WHISONANT & TEAL, Proprietors. May 27 s 3m

WINTHROP COLLEGE. Scholarship and Entrance Examinations. THE examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College, and for the admission of new students, will be held at the COUNTY COURT HOUSE on FRIDAY, JULY 21st, at 9 a. m.

Applicants must not be less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacated after July 21st, they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination. The cost of attendance, including board, furnished room, heat, light and washing is only \$8.50 per month. For further information and a catalogue address President D. B. JOHNSON, Rock Hill, S. C. May 27 s 11p

CLERK'S MORTGAGE SALE. State of South Carolina—County of York. IN COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. P. J. Garrison and D. E. Finley as Executors, against Robert R. Clinton and others. Notice of Sale.

BY virtue of an order for sale, made by the above entitled cause, I will expose to public sale in front of YORK COUNTY COURT HOUSE DOOR, on the FIRST MONDAY IN JUNE, 1899, (salesday) the following described real estate: All that lot of land, with the buildings thereon, situated at McConnelleville, county of York, state aforesaid, bounded by lands of J. D. McConnell, J. O. Moore, Presbyterian church lots, and containing TWO (2) ACRES, more or less. TERMS OF SALE.—ONE HALF CASH. Balance on a credit of twelve months, secured by purchaser's bond and a mortgage of the premises. Purchaser to pay for all papers. B. BROWN WYLIE, Clerk of Court of Common Pleas. May 20 s 3t

DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES. IN stock at store prices. We do not run a wagon of needles of all kinds. Bring an old needle as well as the name of machine. W. B. MOORE & CO.

YORK DRUG STORE.

ACCURACY GUARANTEED. DR. T. R. CAROTHERS is now giving his personal attention to our prescription department and the general and minute details of the business management, which we think is a sufficient guarantee to all who have business with us, that they will be served in a manner consistent with care and a properly managed drug store, and it shall be our pleasure at all times to satisfy our constantly growing patronage.

REFRESHING DRINKS. Only the purest of summer drinks are dispensed at the York Drug Store SODA FOUNTAIN. We use fruit juices of the most approved quality, and see to it that our patrons get the best and most wholesome flavors that is to be had. A pleasant recess for the special accommodation of the ladies.

PAINTS AND OILS. Our stock of these goods are the output of the most reliable manufacturers and our prices should be investigated.

BICYCLES. We have something handsome to offer in the Bicycle line. The Remington and Clipper are our specialties, but we can give some valuable points about wheels generally. CAROTHERS & WILLIAMS.

GOOD GOODS —AT— LOW PRICES!

- 25 BOXES Buttermilk Soap, 10 cts. 25 Cakes Heliotrope Blanc Soap, 10 cts. 50 Cakes Melba Soap, 10 cts. 100 Cakes Bouquet Soap, 3 cts. 100 Cakes Smyrna Bouquet Soap, 5 cts. 50 Cakes Favorite Soap, 5 cts. 100 Cakes Little Lily Soap, 1 cent. 50 Cakes Crescent Honey, 15 cts. 50 Cakes Cleaver's Transparent Soap, 5 cts. 50 Cakes Savoy's Heliotrope, 10 cts. 50 Cakes Cuticle Soap, 10 cts. 100 Cans Home Shoe Baking Powder, 5 cts. 100 Plugs Tobacco, 10 cts. 500 Cakes Lather Soap, two for 5 cts. 50 Rolling Pins, 10 cts. 25 Rolling Pins, 15 cts. 50 Harmonicas, 5 cts. 50 Harmonicas, 10 cts. 100 Tablets, 1 cent. 25 Bundles Yarn, 98 cts. 25 Hammers, 15 cts. 25 Packs Celluloid Starch, 5 cts. 50 Pounds Lamp Starch, 5 cts. 50 Gallons Red C Oil, 20 cts.

WANTED. 5,000 PIANO COUPONS at market price.

Mrs. T. M. DOBSON.

Ride a Monarch and Keep In Front. MONARCH and DEFIANCE BICYCLES are recognized the world over as being the wheel to buy and ride in light running qualities, beauty and durability is what is wanted. Especially is this true in York county. If you do not take the pains to inquire, you cannot know the very low prices that are being quoted by me this season. Every wheel I sell is sold under a guarantee free from loopholes, by which the riders of some other wheels are forced to pay for almost every little break; all large ones. Ask riders of MONARCH and DEFIANCE wheels how they have been treated by the MONARCH COMPANY and also by myself. SAM M. GRIST.

LOUIS ROTH. IMPORTED TEAS.

I HAVE the sole sale for Yorkville of the well known O. & O. TEAS, comprising such grades as India and Ceylon, Formosa and Oolong, etc., which I can recommend to lovers of good Tea, at the right prices. Try a package CREAM OF WHEAT PREPARATION, a new, easily digested, health food, 20 cents. I have in another shipment of MACKEREL IN KITS. They are nice at \$1.20, also loose in barrels at 10 cents a piece. BUCKWHEAT FLOUR as well as prepared for use, along with Maple Syrup up by the gallon or bottle. LOUIS ROTH.

New Goods Every Week.

Ladies, call and see my new line of Outing Sets—links and three waist pins, from 25 cents to \$2 per set. A unique line of Sash and Neck Clasps—the very latest and most stylish designs, all of which are marked at popular prices. Silverware of the best quality; suitable for Wedding Presents, at popular prices. Eyeglasses and Spectacle fitted to anyone's eyes at reasonable prices. I have just added a nice line of Umbrellas, as a side line to my stock, all of which have been marked at popular prices. T. W. SPECK, Jeweler.

BETTER FACILITIES.

WE have secured the services of Mr. LARGIE CARSON, an EXPERIENCED MILLER, to take charge of the mechanical department of our Yorkville plant, and before harvest will have given our machinery a thorough overhauling, and our increasing patronage will be more satisfactorily served than ever. YORKVILLE ROLLER MILLS, PELHAM MORROW, Manager. R. H. CLOANINGER, Assistant. May 17 s w tf

TEN DAYS' SLAUGHTER!

ROSEBUD LAWNS AT 1 1-2 CENTS A YARD!

Yard-Wide Barker Mills Bleaching Cut to 5 Cents a Yard in any Quantity.

Great Values In Gentlemen's Clothing Riding On a Tidal Wave Into the Hands of Our Customers at Sweeping Tornado Prices.

ALL WOOL CHEVIOT PIN LINE GENTS' SUITS, WORTH \$5.00; NOW SLAUGHTERED AT \$2.98.

A Car Load of Fine Trunks at Factory Prices.

A perfect massacre in gentleman's elegant, finely finished Clothing, the quality of which has nothing to do with determining the commercial value, will be a leading feature in the GANSON DRY GOODS COMPANY'S STORE until next Saturday, the third day of June. Our own prices will be slaughtered beyond recognition, and all because of our appreciation of the gigantic and we might say almost overpowering volume of business of the past! The question uppermost in our minds is where can it come from? Like a terrible cyclone, with each hour and each day it gathers volume to its own velocity until we have become powerless to ask a price which most of our struggling competitors would call a MERE legitimate profit! In unbounded quantities we buy, and our low prices are limited only by the volume of our every growing business! There has never been a crevice in our heads that has ever hinted at one or two customers supporting our mammoth business, nor do we ask for your religious creeds. It is values we buy and values we sell, and as long as you conduct yourselves as becoming citizens of your commonwealth, you shall be protected in your rights and enjoy the same privileges and common courtesy before our counters as the gentlemen with their thousands of dollars, and secure the same slaughtered prices offered by the Ganson Dry Goods Company—the people's great store. And we don't believe that with the 15 years' experience that we have enjoyed that we can recall another establishment south of Baltimore, which for aggressive, reckless bargaining values, can even be approximately compared with us. Our business, like a pebble dropped into a body of water, and starting from a common center, is sweeping over the entire area—the wave of the encircling crowd coming from a greater distance. Every day's business, in all branches, is better than its predecessor, and it is our goods and low prices that does the work. An illustration for instance. Whitmore's Gilt Edge Shoe Polish, the world over, is worth 25 cents. We sell it for 15 cents, three for 45 cents—a difference of 30 cents in your favor—and by this tremendous cut we save to ourselves one Lester Grand Piano Coupon, which is increasing in value every day.

In this great Clothing slaughter, which will continue only SEVEN DAYS—not eight days; but will positively wind up on the 3rd day of June, you will have an opportunity of a lifetime to take an advantage of our reckless, dare-devil methods of merchandising. These goods, at the auction block or under a bankrupt sale, would easily bring twice their value, our original price on which was \$5. The All Wool Pin Line Chevots, are well made, stylish and bought for our trade, and are easily worth \$5; now slaughtered at \$2.98! This beats our own prices. It will not pay for the making, but that is our offer—only \$2.98! We have them in Greys and Browns. You may delay in purchasing; but there are others who will not.

200 Suits, including Gentlemen's All Wool Blue Tricots and neat Cassimeres in pin check, grey brown, steel, and WORTH from \$7 to \$9.00; the whole line THROUGH SLASHED TO A CHOICE for \$5.00! These prices, remember, stand only until the third day of June. Don't delay in making your purchases for there are others who won't.

200 Gents' Worsted and Cassimere Suits, elegantly-tailored and handsomely finished and worth \$12.50 on any market on earth, SLAUGHTERED FOR THIS SALE, at \$7.50! Boys' Knee Pants, worth from \$1.00 down, bunched, and your CHOICE PREVAILS, for only 25 cents! Mothers, make a note of this; you're interested. Boys' Blouse Suits for Summer wear marked down to 50 cents.

By all means you should see our stock of TRUNKS, which are in all sizes and shapes, handsomely and substantially finished and carry all the approved conveniences and improvements, and, what is more, we are selling them at factory prices.

DRESS GOODS SLAUGHTERED!

5,000 yards of Rose Bud Lawns, fast colors and in dainty styles—best quality, usually sold at 5 cents, cut to 1 1/2 cents per yard. 42-Inch All Wool Dress Novelties, embracing almost every new and desirable fabric, cloth and style, WORTH 75 cents. For the balance of this month every piece will be slaughtered at 35 cents a yard. 100 Dress Patterns, not more than two of same style, WORTH \$1.00 per yard. During the balance of this May, slashed down to only 50 cents per yard. 20 pieces All Wool Double Width Dress Goods, in all the new and desirable patterns. During the balance of May, only 12 1/2 cents per yard. The balance of our Summer Silks will be slaughtered regardless of their commercial value. Our greatest slaughter is in Wash Goods. Manilla Corded Dimities in all the desirable colorings, worth 7 cents, at only 5 cents. A new arrival of White, Colored and Figured Organdies, including Linon Lawns, Piques and Ducks, which have been marked at prices in sympathy with the above quotations, will be slaughtered with the balance.

5,000 yards of 36-inch Percales at only 5 cents. 5,000 yards of 3-4 Percales, slashed to 4 cents a yard. 5,000 yards of Barker Mills Bleaching slashed to 5 cents! Join in with the rush. You can't afford to wait till it is over. Trim your lamps. Yours for the slaughter,

GANSON DRY GOODS CO.

Over 13,000 of Our Piano Coupons in the hands of our patrons.

W. B. MOORE & CO.

THREE CARS OF FARM MACHINERY.

WE have just received THREE CAR LOADS OF MACHINERY which we will offer at the lowest prices and on the best terms. In this lot of machinery will be found the following: One No. 3 Geiser and one No. 4 Geiser Threshing Machines—belt power—on four wheels. 15 Draw Cut Champion Mowers. 15 Wable Gear Champion Mowers. 6 Champion Binders. There are more Champion Binders and Mowers running today in York county than any other. They stand today, head and shoulders, above all other makes and there is no other makes anything like them. They have features that are distinctively their own. Terms easy. 30 Tiger Self Dump Rakes. 15 Tiger Hand Dump Rakes. 15 Cutaway Tiger Disc Harrows. 15 Smooth Tiger Disc Harrows. 10 Tiger Disc Plows.

Remember that every piece of the above named machinery is sold under a guarantee and the terms and prices are right.

Soon to Arrive. In a short while we will have for your inspection a BICKFORD & HUFFMAN GRAIN DRILL with a Disc Plow. In stock now the finest Hay Press Horse Power out for the money. Respectfully, W. B. MOORE & CO., The Everything Store.

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SHINGLES, LATHS, LIME. Parties desiring to buy Laths, Shingles or Lime, can be suited in price and quality at our place, and can be furnished with either in almost any quantity. Contractors and builders can get close figures from us.

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In this line my stock is complete and I believe I can make it to your interest to see me before you buy.

CHOICE FLOUR.

The high grade of Flour handled by my establishment has always been a distinctive feature, and it is yet. When you want the proper flour for family use, come and see me.

TOBACCO.

Tobacco and Snuff, in any quantity, wholesale or retail, at prices that just anybody can't beat. J. H. RIDDLE. P. S.—I have a supply of pure Clay Pease and Corn on hand.

D. W. HICKS. R. B. RIDDLE. GRIST COUSINS.

YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE.

WE have the very best grade—there are several of pure GEORGIA SYRUP and are selling it at 40 cents a gallon. It is free from adulterations.

Queen's Taste.

Canned Corn is the best goods for 10 cts. we have ever handled, and is equal to many brands sold at a higher price. It is sweet and tender.

Everybody Does Not Eat.

Olives; but those who do insist that there are few things that they like better. We have just received a case of as fine Olives as ever came to town.

Three Pounds of Soda.

For 10 cents is our price for as good an article as sold on this market. Special inducements will be offered to parties who may want as much as a keg—112 pounds.

We Have Paris Green.

And if you want to kill the bugs that are now said to be feasting on your potatoes, you had better start early. Our "green" is in original packages and warranted to do the work. GRIST COUSINS.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of York.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. T. M. Whisonant and D. T. Teal, Plaintiffs, against J. M. Dover, W. Brown Wylie, C. C. Pleas, and M. E. Dover, Nora Dover, Maggie Dover, John A. Dover, George Dover, J. R. Dover, and Amanda Wilson, as heirs at law of D. T. Dover, deceased. Defendants.—Summons for Relief.—Complaint Served. To the Defendants above named: YOU are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint, on the subscriber, at his office, No. 5, Law Range, Yorkville, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Yorkville, S. C., May 3rd, A. D. 1899. W. W. LEWIS, Plaintiff's Attorney. NOTICE. To the absent defendants, M. E. Dover, J. M. Dover, Nora Dover, Maggie Dover, John A. Dover, George Dover, J. R. Dover, and Amanda Wilson: Please take notice that the Summons and Complaint, copies of which have been served upon you, have this day been filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas for York county. May 3rd, 1899. W. W. LEWIS, Plaintiff's Attorney. May 6—June 10 s 6t

A. Y. CARTWRIGHT, Surgeon Dentist.

YORKVILLE, S. C. Offices in Up Stairs Rooms of the York Drug Store Building. February 18 s tf

"MONEY TO BURN" WHEN you want FIRE INSURANCE see me. L. GEO. GRIST.