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#### THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1875.

Masonry in the United States. The Masonic fraternity is the most ancient and influential mystic order that has ever enlisted the sympathy and commanded the devotion of mankind. The New York Herald recently contained an authentic report of its dimensions in the United States, besides other valuable data respecting the origin, purposes and history of the time-honored institution. From this statement we learn that there are 8,754 Masonic Lodges and 543,474 Master Masons in the United States and Territories. New York has the largest number of Lodges and much the largest number of Master Masonsthe latter being put down at 90,849, or onesixth of the entire membership. Illinois stands next in point of strength, closely followed by Pennsylvania. In Utah, there are four Lodges and 165 Master Masons. In South Carolina, there are 170 chartered Lodges in working order, and 7,040 Master Masons.

#### Palmetto Orphan Home.

This institution continues to receive the care and attention of benevolent citizens in Columbia and elsewhere, who are working to sustain an enterprise for the benefit of destitute orphans in every part of the State. Their labors are gratuitous and deserve the gratitude of the people. We are glad to know that an occasional contribution is forwarded from Anderson, and the Board of Trustees recently acknowledged the receipt of Ten Dollars from Miss Kittie Burriss, which was the proceeds realized by the pupils under her charge at an entertainment some time ago. As nearly threefourths of the orphans now under the kindly care of the Home are from the upper section of the State, we trust that similar efforts will cause the managers to become greatly encouraged by such donations, which alone are relied upon to sustain the institution, and enables them to keep the doors open for new appli-

#### The Farmer's Friend.

The Marion Star invites attention to an improved agricultural implement which is known as the "Farmer's Cultivator," and which has Been endorsed by many of the most successful and practical planters of that section as the est labor-saving plow yet invented. It can be used as a single, double or triple plow, and it is said meets the great need of the cotton States by enabling the planter to reduce his animal force from one-third to one-half, or increase the productive capacity in the same proportion. This implement will soon be brought to the attention of the people in every section of the State, and will doubtless work a great revolution in the planting interest. A number of gentlemen in Marion have purchased the exclusive right to manufacture and sell this implement in South Carolina, and will shortly introduce the same in every county. Persons desiring further information or wishing to purchase plows are invited to address Messrs. J. Stackhouse & Co., Marion, S. C.

## Real Estate Agency.

An advertisement in this issue informs the public that certain gentlemen have entered into copartnership to establish a Real Estate Agency, with a view to the introduction of immigrants, under the name and style of R. W. Simpson & Co., and having offices at Anderson and Pendleton. The purposes set forth must command the sympathy of all good citizens, and it only needs the co-operation of landowners to insure success. Indeed, this is the prime necessity to make it valuable and productive of beneficial results, for without the active and earnest support of those willing to sell their lands, the agency cannot thrive and prosper. We need the brain, muscle and capital of others to develop our unoccupied lands, and it is only through organized effort that these can be readily obtained We invite our fellow-citizens willing to forward this movement to visit the offices at Pendleton and Anderson, and confer with either of the partners upon the proposed business. While intending to devote the main efforts of the agency to bringing persons from a distance, the local business will be promptly attended to, and all inquiries after real estate can meet with satisfactory answers. Buyers and sellers are alike interested in consulting the agency.

Advertising agencies and others occasionally send popositions to the effect that if we will advertise the piano establishment, soap factory. washing machine, sewing machine, or something of that sort, belonging to Mr. Blank, we can receive his due bill for the amount, whenever we pay the cash for three times the amount operation of this scheme thoroughly. A two their laudable effort to promote the farming hundred dollar due bill for advertising will be received in part pay for a so-called six hundred dollar piano, which in reality can be bought for three hundred dollars cash! The advertisement costs absolutely nothing! These parties can save much time, trouble and paper by emitting this newspaper from their list whenever they desire to make such propositions to the "country press."

The "Newberry Herald Catechism" is the latest thing on the subject of newspapers. The questions apply to other towns and sections than Newberry: "Is there a business man in tain Military School recently adopted resolutown who does not take the town paper? Echo tions of thanks to the Carolina Military Instianswers-yes, several of them. Do they read tute and the managers of the Mecklenburg it? Yes, every week. How do they manage Centennial for courtesies extended to them duit? By borrowing. What ought to be done ring the late celebration in Charlotte, when the with them? Nothing in this life—in the next corps attended in a body, and added so much enough to express an opinion."

"Facts."

The Charleston News and Courier submits what it knows in regard to the Parker frauds, and seeks to supply us with "facts," It declares that "Gov. Chamberlain is using all his influence, personal and official, to forward the stripe." We are not chagrined to learn this cally declared that such conduct was essential-General Dunn, and is not inspired by Gov. Chamberlain or any of his particular friends. It may open the way for disclosures, and it may end like the criminal prosecution of Ex-Gov. Moses, in which the present Governor was counsel and adviser. We want to see "Parker and others of the same stripe" made to answer an indictment in the Court of Sessions News and Courier recently expressed our sentiments on this subject when it said that "a cloud must rest over them (including Chamberlain) until it is dissipated by the conviction of Parker, or by the proof of his inability to shift the load of crime on to the shoulders of his old friends or colleagues." Gov. Chamberlain's record and deportment since his inauguration are not involved in this opinion, and we are resolved to let the result justify or condemn him. The expectations of the News and Courier may be realized, and the sincerity and faithfulness of Gov. Chamberlain may be amply demonstrated before the trial of Parker is concluded. But we prefer to stand aloof just now, and when the proper time comes, we shall be ready to ascribe due honor to every man who will work for the "discovery and conviction of noted criminals."

The difference between the News and Courier and ourselves consists in the "fact" that the Governor's record during the last six months is accepted by that journal as amply sufficient evidence that he was not connected with any of the frauds and villainies of the Scott administration; while we do not and cannot ignore the "fact" that he was an influential member of that administration. He was the legal adviser and confidential friend of its financial officers, and it was upon his recommendation that the notorious Kimpton was made the Financial Agent. He was a member of the various boards and commissions which perpetrated such unblushing and unmitigated frauds upon the State, and the News and Courier has always heretofore held him responsible for a full share in these transactions. This statement of "facts" is not exactly in accordance with the tenor of articles, "whatever their intention," which have lately appeared in the columns of our contemporary, but there are numberless issues of that journal from which we might quote to sustain the statement. when these "facts" were regarded as "good and substantial" reasons for suspecting him of more than bad faith in the premises.

# Our Texas Correspondence.

HOUSTON, May 31, 1875.

There is no danger of grass-hoppers in Texas -wheat is being reaped and ground into flour. The yield is large-from 30 to 40 bushels to the acre. The season has been a little dry, but quite favorable upon the whole. Fine rains are now falling all over the State.

Texas never had a better prospect before her. The Missouri & Kansas R. R., via our Central, and the St. Louis and Iowa Western R. R., via our Great Northern, connect us with the other States by rail, and furnish special rates to immigrants. The first line enters the northern and the latter the northeastern border of the

The cheapest lands this side of the western frontier are to be found in Central Texas, about midway between the Gulf and Red River. These fine lands have been neglected, the preference having been given specially to the counties along Red River, where lands are now getting to be held at higher figures. Lands near this city are quite cheap. They are mostly low-lying prairie lands, but could be easily ditched and would then produce well.

Houston has a population of nearly 26,000, and is at the head of tide water navigation. Capt. J. E. Foster, her leading land agent, has a land and gold distribution on the 30th of June. His scheme has given perfect satisfaction in the past, and appears to be entitled to public confidence. The capital prize at this drawing will be \$10,000 gold. I will write you

SAN JACINTO.

For the Anderson Intelligencer.

ANDERSON, S. C., June 8, 1875.

MR. EDITOR: On the 29th of last May some gentlemen requested the use of the Court Room for the purpose of holding a Grange meeting. I stated to them, in substance, that the Court had the day before forbidden its use for any other than public purposes, and for such they could use it, but not for a private meeting. You heard the remarks of the Judge, and if I have reached a wrong conclusion on the law, and so forth, as interpreted by the Court on this subject, please correct me. I interests of our County. And you know that other societies have failed to obtain the use of the Court Room for private meetings, and while vexed and annoyed at the time, have been constrained to admit that the stringent enforcement of the law as to its use is rendered eminently wise and proper by the changed condition of things since reconstruction.

Respectfully yours, &c., JOHN W. DANIELS.

The officers and cadets of the King's Moun-

For the Anderson Intelligencer. Belton Academy.

BELTON, S. C., June 7, 1875. MR. EDITOR: A pretty village is Belton, with its vine-wreathed cottages, its stately mansions and its brown farm-houses in the prosecution of Parker and others of the same distance; it numbers among its inhabitants some of the wealthy and influential citizens of "fact," and in previous articles have emphati- our County-merchants, farmers, physicians, hotel keepers and mechanics. But with these ly necessary to establish his claims to our con- you are acquainted, and I do not propose to fidence as a genuine reformer. But we do not say more. The modest school house occupies look at this matter through the same spectacles | a commanding position on the village green, in as the News and Courier. If we understand the least picturesque part of the place, and of the situation, this prosecution of Parker is a it we propose to write. For a number of years, civil proceeding, inaugurated by Comptroller owing to some undefinable cause, Belton Academy has fallen into the back ground. True, the Board of Trustees employed able, experienced and unexceptionable teachers, yet the number of pupils was small. Last year, however, the Trustees secured the services of Mr. C. B. Williams, son of the great and good Rev. Wm. Williams, D. D., of Greenville. The selection was a fortunate one. Mr. Williams is for their theft and roguery during the four a young gentleman of thorough education and years of unrestrained plundering, when the training, of fine enthusiasm and a strict dishonest people of South Carolina were made to ciplinarian, and has infused new energy into suffer for the benefit of impecunious carpet- the Trustees, and has awakened new interest baggers and unscrupulous natives. And the on the subject of education among the youth and parents of this community. His efforts were so successful last year, that his services were secured for the present year; and certainly the exercises of Belton Academy on the 27th of May, while they must have been pleasing to the friends and patrons of the school and gratifying to the pupils, most triumphantly illustrated the ability, aptitude and zeal of the rector. At an early hour the examination of the

> various classes, male and female, commenced in Stringer's Hall before a large and appreciative audience, and was as thorough and satisfactory as the most exacting could require. At 11 o'clock a. m. the examination closed and, American-like, some speaking was demanded. Mr. M. E. Mitchell and Warren D. Wilkes, Esq., being present, responded in impromptu speeches of moderate length, and I suppose pleased the audience in the matter of their address, from the applause they elicited. By invitation, the crowd in the hall joined the larger one congregated in the grove at the Presbyterian Church, and did ample justice to as profuse and sumptuous a pic nic feast as I ever saw. After the whites had feasted, the viands not being half consumed, the colored people present were thoughtfully invited to help themselves, and done so with a good will and appetite. Dancing among the young people so inclined, varied the afternoon scene.

> At night Stringer's Hall, which had been tastefully wreathed with evergreens and flowers and well lighted, was crowded to its utmost capacity with a large audience, eager to hear more speaking and witness the further exercises of the pupils of the Academy. The exercises of the evening were opened by Dr. W. C. Brown with an address upon Energy. Being a high type of the energetic man, the Doctor's address was well conceived, happily delivered and was loudly applauded. The delivery of select speeches, recitation of poetry and acting of charades by the pupils, which were all creditable indeed, entertained the gratified audience until a late hour, when the exercises were closed with another short speech from Warren D. Wilkes, Esq.

> I predict a successful career for Mr. Williams as a teacher, and higher fame and prosperity for Belton Academy.

> > For the Anderson Intelligencer.

PROVIDENCE, June 1, 1875. MR. EDITOR: It appears from a "local" in your issue of the 20th of May, that Williford's Store has become one of the most flourishing places in Anderson County, on account of the 'spirit of enterprise which seems to have taken complete possession of them." There is at Grange, but as for the Temperance Division, with Mr. L. O. Williford W. P., will appear false from a statement in your last issue. One mile and a half north of the Store there is kept up a debating society, but nothing of the sort at the Store. There is a singing society at Providence Church of much interest, but I hear of nothing of the kind at the Store; and as for the fine brass band, under the leadership of Mr. J. P. Anderson, we have not even so much as heard of it. One thing, however, is evident, notwithstanding the "enterprise" of the people, that there are some persons in the community who are inclined to loaf around and make false statements in order to have sport at the expense of others, and the one who informed you as to this would-be news, failed to make this statement, which would have been correct: that we have in this community an administrator of law in the shape of a Trial Justice who, notwithstanding his having been severely "rasped," cannot be surpassed for the transaction of business.

## For the Anderson Intelligencer.

MR. EDITOR: There is a branch of temperance workers in this County that the public seldom hear from through the papers-I speak of Mountain Creek Lodge of Good Templars. We had a very interesting meeting on last Saturday night, and initiated ten persons into the order. Truly the temperance cause is on winning ground now in this County, and it behooves all who wish the cause well to put their shoulder to the wheel, and let us give one mighty shove all together, and we may succeed if we get help enough. Below you have the of the advertising bill. We understand the have the greatest respect for my friends and list of officers installed to serve for the present

> J. L. Glenn, W. C. T. W. H. Glenn, R. H. S. S. C. Chamblee, L. H. S. Miss Maggie Dannelly, W. V. T. A. W. Todd, W. S. Miss M. L. Burriss, W. A. S. S. O. Driver, W. F. S. C. B. McCown, W. T. W. M. Wilcox, W. M. Miss Keturah Watson, W. D. M. John McConnell, W. I. G. Joseph Masters, W. O. G. Wm. Teet, W. Chap. P. A. Masters, P. W. C. T. Hoping this Lodge may be heard from often in the future, I remain yours, &c.,

Our Houston correspondent gives a glowing

The Right Position.

In another column will be found an article headed "Gov. Chamberlain," which we take from the Anderson Intelligencer. It takes the right position in a very dignified manner. The Conservative people of South Carolina are willing and do give ample credit to Governor Chamberlain for the stand he has taken against the corrupt and venal practices of his own party, by putting his personal influence and official veto in opposition to future peculation, fraud and downright robbery among the officials of that he is still a candidate for the Republican the State; but they are not ready to fall down and worship him, as a man without official taint or blemish. They cannot forget his silent acquiescence in the tremendous frauds committed by those officials with whom he acted upon the Financial Board and Sinking Fund Commission; they cannot forget that during the four years he was Attorney General of the State all the infamous frauds for which the people are now made to suffer, were committed, and to miners, the police and militia continues. It is satisfy which a system of high taxation, unpar- a disgrace to that State, but as only white men alleled in the history of nations, was inaugurated and is still continued. He may give us about it. the "two clean years" he promised, and thereby incline the people to lock with leniency upon his past official misconduct, in the light of the repentance he professes, but they "cannot blindly pledge allegiance to his political fortunes nor trammel themselves with unbounded promises of support in the future." If he held his skirts so high during the four years he was the prosecuting officer of the State that none of the official filth of those slimy days attaches to them, the people are willing, nay, anxious, to acknowledge that appearances and associations deceived them. Upon him lies the duty to show that he is innocent of the charges made against him, which duty he seems loth

The Columbia Union-Herald, in the most arbitrary manner, says the article of the Anderson Intelligencer is "supercilious and impertinent in tone." No doubt it appears so to the editor of that paper, who has been laying the flattering unction to his soul, for the past six months, that Gov. Chamberlain was stealthily drawing the whole Conservative and Democratic people over into the Republican ranks, to be officered and drilled into service by Republican officers and in Republican party tactics. The first bold voice raised to affect this scheme must be silenced or the plot will fail. It is, therefore, supercilious and impertinent for a county paper to speak of Gov. Chamberlair, save in the most laudatory and fulsome

As Governor, for less than one year, he has performed his duty as faithfully and satisfactorily to the tax-paying people of the State as the circumstances which surround him would permit; but the time of his probation is too short to wipe out altogether the suspicion of participation which attaches to his four years' connexion with the most corrupt, venal and demoralizing government that ever blasted the

good name of a proud State. Nor can we evade the suspicion that he is loth to encourage an investigation into the conduct of the officials who held high positions during those four years of his association with them. He appears more anxious to secure 'two clean years" as Governor, than to cleanse his skirts of the dirt of four years as Attorney General. It does seem to us that a man so sensitive as he professes to be, does not court, aye, demand, an investigation of his past offi cial conduct; but instead of that he seems to ask that a thick veil might be thrown over it, and that the people should submit to the entailments of his past sins, of omission or commission, and accept his present acts as a full and sufficient equivalent for all the wrongs he

may have done them in the past. It is now over four years since a case of ku kluxing, or any other disturbance that could be tor red into a political outrage was committed in this State. The Conservative people have all that time studiously and conscientiously put forth every effort to maintain peace and quiet with all classes of our citizens; they have promptly paid the enormous taxes annually levied upon their property, and in every other way striven to show that they honestly "accept the situation," but in the face of all this, the Republican papers and leaders are continually charging us, in the most offensive style, with the former disturbances which, we believed then and still believe, grew out of the corrupt and fraudulent practices of the government of which Mr. Chamberlain was a prominent officer and must have been cognizant. In the face of over four years of unbroken law and order, we are held up to the world as bloody-handed and still unworthy to be trusted with the affairs of government; that we are not sincere in our professions, but if we had the power we would repeat the wrongs imputed

Williford's Store a Masonic Lodge, also a to us four years ago.

Grange but as for the Temperance Division But when a Republican official refrains, for six months, from committing or countenancing fraud and stealing, and does what is nothing more nor less than his plain duty to the people. and what his own party, North and South, imperatively demanded of him, to keep it from complete destruction, we are expected to play the toady to him, and if we do not, we are called impertinent and supercilious. The old adage, "what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander" is very applicable here.

So long as the tax gatherer annually reminds the people that they have to pay for the extravagance and thieving of the State officials during the four years that Mr. Chamberlain was in office as Attorney General; so long as such Republicans as Joe Crews will continue to persecute the people by arrests for trumpedup outrages committed many years ago, and so long as the Republican press and speakers continue the cry of Ku Klux against the Conservative people, just so long will the Conservative press and people of this State be justified in suspecting the honesty of any man in the Republican party who professes to have repented of his former sins. Four years of exemplary conduct on the part of the Conservative people is not sufficient to inspire confidence in the honesty of their professions, but they are asked to accept the fair conduct, for six months, of a Republican whose name was mixed up with fraud and robbery for four years, as sufficient proof that he and his party are worthy their most implicit confidence. If that is not an impertinent and supercilious demand, we don't know what is .- Union Times.

THE UNION-HERALD.—We hope this paper won't fail. Why? Because there would be no United States government. Seventeen columns out of twenty filled with advertisements belonging to the departments at Washington and sheriff's sales caused by the department at Washington. Now, we want a government, but not one that keeps a newspaper alive by robbing the people, therefore we want a change, and when that time comes such monstrosities as the Union-Herald will not exist .- Greenville

## For the Anderson Intelligencer.

ANDERSON, June 5, 1875. MR. EDITOR: Please add to your very correct report of proceedings of the County Grange, which met in the Masonic Hall on the 29th ult., that the thanks of the Grange were respectfully tendered to the fraternity for the use of their hall. Respectfully,

We learn that Dr. T. A. Hudgens and Mr.

J. W. NORRIS, Sec.

account of the condition and prospects in that hibited a model to many of our citizens on and we did so. We hope that the disaffected they will reap their reward. How many in the by their handsome appearance to the process State. We have the promise of an occasional Monday last, and it was highly commended will now be satisfied. Our policy is not to country do the same thing? Lots of them. | sion. The King's Mountain School is one of letter from an old and valued friend at Dallas, for the simplicity, durability, cheapness and praise one section of our Country at the expenses What do you think of such conduct? Web- the best in the State, and we take pleasure in Texas, whose contributions will be most ac- strength of its construction. The price ranges of another, but to give "honor to whom honor ster's Unabridged does not contain words directing attention to its advertisement else- ceptable to our readers. We are waiting to from \$125 to \$150, which is much lower than is due," and we must take information given any other press of similar value.

ITEMS-EDITORIAL AND OTHERWISE.

Seventy-five cents per bushel is the price paid for dead grasshoppers in Missouri. - The United States District Judge of Texas has decided that the civil rights law is un-

constitutional. - The recent heavy failures in London are, in the opinion of the London Times, indicative

of a great financial crisis. - The essence of Grant's third-term letter is

nomination or any other.

- The storm-winged cyclone has paid its respects to portions of Indiana and Kentucky, doing a great deal of damage.

- The Southern Presbyterians, recently in session at St. Louis, have selected Savannah as the place for the meeting of the next General

- The Pennsylvania war among the coal are involved the Government is little concerned

- The Washington Star says: "Right in front of the Executive Mansion there has been recently set out a young palmetto tree, which, by its growth, gives evidence of having fairly taken root." - Mrs. Sparnick, of Charleston, died at the

the 28th of May. She was the mother of Henry Sparnick, Esq., of the Aiken Tribune, and has been an invalid for some months. - The Barnwell-Blackville case has again been decided by the Board of State Canvassers.

who issued a certificate of election in favor of Blackville. Barnwell will move for an injunction to restrain the county officers from remov-- From nearly all directions our exchanges

are bringing us good crop news. The dry weather of May gave the farmers a fine chance to kill grass, and it is said that both corn and cotton were never cleaner than at the present time, and were never in a more flourishing and promising condition.

- It is noted as a singular coincidence that Micheal Levy, the leading publisher of Paris, and John Harper, the leading publisher of New York, died on the same day. Another coincidence is that Gen. Breckenridge and Mr. Bright, whom he succeeded as the presiding officer of the Senate, died almost at the same

- At a recents election in Beaufort County, the notorious W. J. Whipper was elected to the House of Representatives. He is one of the most infamous of the corruptionists under Scott's administration, and it is said that he is determined on being elected to one of the eight judgeships to be filled at the next session of the Legislature.

- The announcement was premature that the Centennial Commissioners had selected Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar as one of the orators and Gen. Joseph E. Johnson as master of ceremonies for the occasion. No selection has yet been made, but there seems no doubt that representative Southerners will fill places of honor at the celebration.

- The New York papers announce the death of the Rev. Dr. Gilbert Morgan, of South Carolina. Dr. Morgan formerly resided in New York. Several years ago he removed to Sumter, S. C., where he conducted a school for young ladies. The school building was burned during the war, whereupon Dr. Morgan removed to New York City.

- The venerable Duff Green, who has been in feeble health for some time past, is now confined to bed at his home near Dalton, Ga., from a violent attack of sickness. Gen. Green is nearly ninety years old, and belongs to the earlier days of our country in public service and activity. His daughter married the late Andrew P. Calhoun, of Pendleton.

- The Democratic Legislature of New York has reduced the State taxes more than two millions of dollars a year. They have cut down and vicinity, propose to have a Pic Nic at that the tax levy from fifteen millions to thirteen thriving place on Saturday, 19th inst. Col. D. millions of dollars. Upon the same ratio this would be equivalent to a saving in the Federal Government of full fifty millions of dollars a year. It seems to pay the people to elect Democrats to office.

- The New York Herald says that the cotton crop of this year in the Southern States is generally favorable, notwithstanding the exceptionally inclement season. Louisiana reports an increase in acreage of four per cent. Mississippi of three per cent. and Arkansas the same. Texas shows still more satisfactory returns and Alabama is also encouraging. Poor, downtrodden South Carolina is the lowest on the list. The wonderful resources of the South can bring that section back to its normal state of plentitude and prosperity if needless government interference be omitted.

- Mr. George N. Reynolds was stricken with paralysis on Saturday evening, and died on Monday morning, at the age of sixty-three years, at his residence in Winnsboro'. He was for years one of the leading business men of Charleston. He represented his native county ably in the Legislature for several years, leadng his ticket at a time of great political excitement. During the war he settled in Fairfield, where he continued to live until his death. Having lost his fortune and his health at the close of the war, he since occupied the position of a private citizen, and in his daily walk gained the high esteem and friendship of his neighbors. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his loss.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

T. D. KENNEDY, LOCAL EDITOR.

A DESTRUCTIVE HAIL STORM. On Wednesday night, the 2nd inst., an exeedingly severe storm of hail passed over that section of the County near Howard's Old Field, on Wilson's Creek, destroying in its course corn, cotton, wheat, etc. It was most destructive on the plantations of Messrs. D. C. Howard, D. G. Rampey and G. L. McGee, where the wheat crop was entirely destroyed, the heads being beaten off by the force of the hail, and the stalks leveled to the ground. It is said that more wheat is left on the ground after the harvest than was left in the fields of the above named gentlemen by the storm. The leaves and blades on the cotton and corn were also beaten off and the stalks of both injured. The hail came with such force as to peel the bark and mutilate the branches of the locust and other trees in its course. This is a sad calamity to the sufferers, who but a few weeks ago were anticipating abundant crops.

## A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

It will be remembered that a local appeared in our issue of a few weeks ago, extolling Williford's Store as a place of considerable prosperity, since we were informed that a number of societies had originated and were in progress there. We publish in another place a communication in reference to the aforesaid local, stating that the information which we had received was incorrect, since the majority of the societies mentioned did not exist at the of collecting. The town exchequer is never Store, but at another place. Now, we want it distinctly understood that we are not in the habit of drawing on our imagination for information respecting county affairs, but receive James L. Brock, of Hone. Tath, have pur- such information from citizens who reside in chased the right of Shearer's Cotton Press for different sections. In this particular instance, Anderson County, and are now making ar- we were specially requested to write the aforerangements to manufacture the Press both at said local by James J. Gilmer, Esq., a promi-Anderson and Honea Path. Dr. Hudgens ex- nent citizen of the neighborhood in question as true until the contrary is proven.

BRIEF MENTION.

Good beef can now be had at the Market House, since all cattle are inspected before be-

ing slaughtered. We are informed that the steeple of the Bap-

tist Church at Walhalla was struck by lightning one day last week, and slightly injured. Mr. Kaufman, the well-known lumber man and carpenter, is now engaged at this place in

Brown, Esq. The Ladies' Sewing Society of the Baptist Church will have Ice Cream at the Masonic Hall on this (Thursday) afternoon at five

building a fine new residence for Wm. S.

A spirited contest for the championship in narble playing took place on Tuesday morning last, in which the law succumbed to mercantile ability.

Copious and refreshing showers fell during last week, making crop prospects better. Hail fell on Wednesday night, 2nd inst., without doing any damage in this vicinity.

The Sunday Schools of Williamston gave a grand pic nic on the mineral spring lot at that place on Friday last. The occasion was a pleasant one, and greatly enjoyed by all pres-Stone House, five miles above Greenville, on

The communication relating to the exercises of Belton Academy has been unexpectedly and unavoidably delayed until this week, and is now given as a merited tribute to the teacher, pupils and patrons of the Academy.

The harvest season has begun in earnest, and

the yield in wheat promises to be almost equal to that of last year. The oat and other crops will fall short. The clover crop, which has already been harvested, was very fine. Monday last (Saleday) was unusually quiet-

There was but one sale, (a buggy,) and only few persons in town. These heretofore celebrated days are destined to become uninteresting during the summer, as horse-swapping and other amusements have been discontinued. The ordination services of Rev. James K.

Fant, which were announced to take place at Belton on next Sabbath, have been unavoidably postponed until the fourth Sabbath in this month. Unforeseen circumstances make the change necessary.

We had the pleasure on Monday last of meeting with our young friend, William A. Vandiner, who has just graduated from Moore's Business College, Atlanta, Ga. He is a young man of fine promise, and possesses excellent business capacities.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of School Commissioner Benson in another column, instructing the Clerks of the various Boards of School Trustees in the County to call a meeting of the citizens in their respective School Districts on Saturday, 26th inst.

The Alabama Gold Life Insurance Company will be represented at this place by Capt. Wm. Waties, who is an energetic and live business man. Gen. Stephen D. Lee has been actively at work since his arrival in our midst, and has insured a number of our prominent citizens.

Mr. A. B. Towers is the pioneer insurance agent in Anderson. He has been engaged in the business for many years, and now represents several reliable companies, whose aggregate assets amount to more than \$7,000,000-He can give the surest guarantee against loss or damage by fire, and we invite attention to his advertisement.

We learn that the Grange and Good Templars, and the citizens generally of Honea Path Wyatt Aiken and other speakers will be invited to address the people. The Grange and the Temperance cause will be ably advocated, and a pleasant time is anticipated.

Roden's Improved Cultivator has given the reatest satisfaction to every farmer who has tried it. A number of certificates from reliable and widely known citizens appears in the advertisement of Mr. W. J. Hix, who owns the right for Anderson and Oconee Counties .-Agencies have been established in different localities, where farm rights can be procured.

No little excitement was caused on Saturday evening last by the capers of a saddle-horse which had broken loose from one of the racks. He ran around the public square, and down some of the sidewalks, clearing all obstructions in his course. The sidewalk on Depot street was very crowded at the time, but was cleared in a few seconds. He was caught near Dr. W. H. Nardin's, and quietly led back.

Round trip tickets will be sold at the different stations on the line of the Greenville & Columbia Railroad to all persons who are desirous of attending the Commencement Exercises at the Williamston Female College, which takes place from the 15th to the 17th of June. The tickets will be good to return until the 20th. Also, to the Commencement Exercises at the Newberry College, Walhalla, from the 18th to the 24th of June-tickets good to return until the 26th.

We learn that one night last week, some parties unknown, entered the sleeping apartment of the Rev. Samuel Lander, in the lower story of the Williamston Female College at Williamston, and rifled his pockets of everything they contained; then went up stairs, entered some of the rooms occupied by the young lady boarders, opened their trunks, took a quantity of clothing, and absconded. This was a bold robbery, and we hope that the thieves may be apprehended and brought to punish-

Attention is called to the card of Capt. John W. Daniels in our issue of this week, stating his reasons for refusing the use of the Court House for private meetings. We were present when Judge Cooke instructed Capt. Daniels in reference to this matter, and heard him charge that the Court-room should not be opened for other than public business, and that if his instructions were not carried out, the Clerk would be held responsible. The Clerk acted in this matter in accordance with the instructions of the Court, and certainly ought not to be blamed by any society for doing his duty.

Pendleton must be a happy place to live in. The Town Council has not levied a tax upon real and personal property since reconstruction, and only one or two years has there been any such thing as commutation for street duty. In former times, the municipal taxes were collected by the Tax Collector of Anderson District, and when that office was abolished, the Town Council concluded not to levy any more taxes, in order to avoid the trouble and expense overflowing, but the revenues from other sources are sufficient for all practical purposes.

#### Comparative Rain Fall during the First Five Months of the Past Three Years.

From January 1st to April 30, 187317.42	inches.
During May, 1873 7.68	**
Total to May 31, 187325.1	44
From January 1st to April 30, 187421.04	**
During May, 1874	44
Total to May 31, 187423.61	u
From January 1st to April 30, 187522.37	"
During May, 1875	**
Total to May 31, 187523.93	"
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Williamston Female College