

## THEY HAD THE LUCKY KEY.

On last Saturday our Money Box was opened by the following gentlemen: Mr. L. S. Mattison, Mr. William A. Power and Mr. W. Thomas Maxwell; and of course each one received as a present—

### \$5.00 IN SILVER!

We wish to say to all of our customers who didn't come Saturday to try their Keys that they can try them at the next opening of the Box, which will be the First Saturday in October.

Remember, we give a Key with each Dollar's worth you made, and that whatever you want in our line our prices are always LOWER than credit Stores—

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## B. O. Evans & Co.,

THE SPOT CASH CLOTHIERS.  
WHITE FRONT.

OUR

## Buggy and Wagon

Trade is on the increase, but we want it to increase more.

THOUSANDS of Farmers can testify that "Old Hickory," "Tennessee," "Hickory" and "Milburn" Wagons are the lightest running and will wear longer than other makes on the market. You may find in this County these wagons that have been in constant use for the past twenty years.

We also have on hand a large and varied assortment of BUGGIES and SPRINGS, and among them the celebrated "Babcock's," "Columbias," "Evans & Jones," "Columbus," and many other brands.

Our record for selling first-class Goods is evident by the brands mentioned above, that we have exclusive sale for in Anderson County.

Our "Young Men's" Buggy has no equal.

Have also a large and select line of HARNESS, SADDLES, BRIDLES, &c., and have recently secured exclusive control and sale of the celebrated "Matthew Heldman" Harness, which is well known in this County, and needs no "talking up."

The Wagon and Buggy manufacturers are advancing prices on all their goods on account of the advance in price of all the material, and in consequence we will have to advance our prices from \$5.00 to \$10.00 a job; but wish to give you a chance to buy before the rise, so you had better join the procession and buy one of our Buggies or Wagons at once, for on and after September 1st next our prices will be at least \$5.00 higher than at present. We regret having to do this, but cannot get around it.

Buy now and save this advance.

### JOS. J. FRETWELL.

Will still sell you a first-class Buggy for \$30.00. Carriage \$85.00.

## THE WOMAN, THE MAN and the PILL.

She was a good woman. He loved her. She was his wife. The pie was good. His wife made it. He ate it. But the pie disagreed with him, and he disagreed with his wife. Now he takes a pill after pie and is happy. The pill he takes is EVANS'!

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### EVANS' LIVER AND KIDNEY PILLS.

25c.

### EVANS PHARMACY.

## WHEELMEN, ATTENTION!

IF YOU WANT

## BICYCLES AND SUNDRIES

FOR COST.

Bring the CASH and call on—

### THOMSON BICYCLE WORKS,

THE BICYCLE PEOPLE.

### BAIL FOR W. A. NEAL.

Col. Neal Had Difficulty in Getting Bondsmen.

The State, Aug. 31st.

It looked for several hours yesterday as if Col. W. A. Neal, the former superintendent of the State penitentiary, would not be able to give his bond, and would have to go to jail before friends from his home could get here to go on the bond.

Yesterday morning when 10 o'clock, the hour appointed for the preliminary came, Col. Neal had not succeeded in securing bondsmen. Three personal friends that he was relying upon proved to be away from the city. At this time also warrants sworn out by Attorney General Bellinger in two other cases were served upon him, making three distinct charges preferred against him. The original warrant charged him with failure to turn over public funds to his successor. One of the new ones charged him with breach of trust with fraudulent intent, and the other with embezzlement of public funds.

The affidavit in the breach of trust case read as follows: State of South Carolina, County of Richland. The State vs. William A. Neal. Affidavit.

Personally appeared before me, J. M. Smith, a magistrate for and in said county and said State, G. Duncan Bellinger, Attorney General, who, on oath, says that he is informed and believes that on the first day of December, 1895, in said State and county, one William A. Neal was guilty of a breach of trust with fraudulent intent in this:

That, being then and there paid by one J. S. Fowler the sum of five hundred dollars for the use and as an account of the State of South Carolina, the same being the property of said State, upon the special trust and confidence that he the same should safely keep, transfer and disburse for the said State, as its public servant and officer, he being then and there the superintendent of the State penitentiary, he did then and there feloniously appropriate, convert and divert the same to his own use, with interest to cheat and defraud the said State.

Sworn to before me this 29th day of August, 1899.

(L. S.) G. Duncan Bellinger, Attorney General.

J. M. Smith, Magistrate.

The affidavit in the embezzlement case was as follows: State of South Carolina, County of Richland. The State vs. William A. Neal. Affidavit.

Personally appeared before me, J. M. Smith, a magistrate for and in said county and said State, G. Duncan Bellinger, Attorney General, who, on oath, says that he is informed and believes that on the — day of —, 1893, in said State and county, one William A. Neal was guilty of embezzlement in this: That then and there, being superintendent of the State penitentiary, he, as such superintendent, did receive from one W. T. McGill the sum of forty dollars for the use of said penitentiary, the same being public funds, and the property of the State of South Carolina, and he being then and there charged with the safe keeping, transfer and disbursing of the same, and did then and there feloniously convert, divert and appropriate said sum to his own use.

And further, that the said William A. Neal then and there the sum of forty dollars, the property of the said State, did steal, take and carry away.

Sworn to before me this 29th day of August, 1899.

(L. S.) G. Duncan Bellinger, Attorney General, S. C.

J. M. Smith, Magistrate.

Col. Neal waived the preliminary examination and the bond was fixed at \$3,500; of this \$2,000 was fixed on the original case, which is regarded as most important; \$500 on the second charge and \$1,000 on the third.

When it was found that Col. Neal had not secured bondsmen, Magistrate Smith agreed to let him remain in Attorney Nelson's office during the day in custody of Constable Roach, and from there endeavor to secure bail. None of Col. Neal's former political friends came near him during the day. A year ago things were very different, for Col. Neal was a man of political influence. The weary hours rolled by and still no bondsmen appeared. Col. Neal made a proposition to Magistrate Smith to allow Constable Roach to accompany him to the up-country so that he could in person secure the bondsmen, but this was declined. The magistrate, however, consented to allow Col. Neal until this morning to secure the necessary bond, permitting him in the meantime to remain in Constable Roach's custody.

But this proved to be unnecessary, for about 2:30 o'clock Capt. W. B. Lowrance and Capt. Geo. A. Shields, of this city, both staunch business men who do not mix in politics, consented to sign Col. Neal's bond. They repaired to the magistrate's office, where the bonds were promptly signed up and the ex-superintendent was set at liberty.

Col. Neal declined to talk. He quietly went to the depot and in a few hours was speeding homeward via Charlotte. The predicament in which Col. Neal found himself here was a most humiliating one, and though he made no comment the ex-official showed that the strain had been a severe one.

### Damage to Cotton.

It is very evident that the prediction of a 12,000,000 bale cotton crop finds very little credence. There has been a decided advance in the price of cotton since this prediction was made and the present price seems steady. If there were any general faith in a crop of twelve, or even eleven million bales of course no rise in the price would have been possible and cotton would have been much lower than it is at present.

That the crop will be much less than eleven million bales seems now to be certain. The decreased acreage would have brought the growing crop considerably below that of last year with approximately equal conditions, but the conditions are decidedly worse now than they were a year ago.

The new Orleans *Picayune*, as good an authority as any other newspaper and one which is noted for the fullness and accuracy of its cotton news and statements has a commendable editorial on the cotton situation in the course of which it says:

"There can be no doubting that much damage has resulted to the cotton crop from the protracted dry spell and extremely hot weather during the present month. While the damage has been no doubt exaggerated in some cases, the fact nevertheless remains that material damage has actually been done, and the promise of the yield has been materially lowered.

"It should be remembered that at this time of the year the buying interests are persistent in endeavoring to create the impression that there will be a large crop, so as to force the bulk of the yield to be thrown on the market at low prices, thus enabling spinners to accumulate stocks at a low level. Accordingly, as soon as general rains have occurred, and such rains are among the probabilities of the coming month, there will be a strong effort made to make it appear that all damage which has been done by the dry weather will be promptly repaired in the advent of rain. While the rains will no doubt prove beneficial, the damage which has been done by the heat, particularly where the shedding of fruit has occurred, or where the shriveling up of the bolls has taken place, is irreparable. This should be kept in mind, and holders of cotton should not permit themselves to be frightened or enjoined into sacrificing their property by the rain reports. Should the rain delay much longer, it is probable that the moisture will come too late, and be rather a detriment to the marketing of such cotton as has been saved than a benefit to that which has been damaged or ruined.

Protracted rains within the next few months would prove quite as disastrous as the drought, as they would beat down and damage much of the cotton in the fields, delay picking and seriously interfere with marketing the crop.

"Southern producers have not shared the general prosperity of the rest of the country, because they have been compelled to part with their cotton crop at ruinous low figures. There is now an opportunity of securing some improvement; hence they should not allow themselves to be cajoled or induced to part with their cotton at low prices through a fear of a heavy crop. It is impossible that the vast number of reports as to the damage done by the drought can be exaggerations, and in the light of such information the producers must be well aware of the crop prospects and are in a position to make the most of the situation."

This is probably a fair statement of the condition and prospects of the crop and the advice of the *Picayune* is certainly good. It will pay the producers of cotton to heed it.

### Mormons Cause Bloodshed.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., September 2.—Wednesday night six mormon elders were conducting a meeting in a school house at Pine Bluff, Stewart County, Tennessee, when the building was stormed by a mob of over one hundred men. Eggs and rocks were thrown through the windows, and the building almost entirely demolished. Those present fled to save their lives, as bullets commenced to strike the building thick and fast. Miss May Harden, a popular young woman of the place, walked between the Elders Olsen and Petty, with a view to checking the work of the mob. While the trio passed down the road shots were fired from ambush, and the woman was hit by a ball and almost instantly killed. Her brothers said they would avenge the crime, and the excitement died out secured bloodhounds and placed them on the trail of the assassins. Burton Vinson, a prominent young farmer and superintendent of a Sunday School, wrote a confession stating he had killed the girl, but that it was an accident and he wished to rid himself of remorse of conscience. Shortly after the confession the bloodhounds trailed to his home. Vinson turned, picked up a knife and cut his throat, almost at the same instant sending a bullet through his brain. His family and the officer's posse witnessed the suicide.

There is more Calvary in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven that it is a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Family Pills, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They cure one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonial. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### Highland Notes.

*Dear Perspiring Quill-drivers:* In fancy I see you at your desk, mopping the trickling streams of sweat from brow and neck and back of hands—every handkerchief damp, your collar collapsed, cuffs limp, blotters bloated with moisture. I hear the electric fan whirring, the rattling of ice in the pitcher, and as the foreman comes in for more copy, you groan over the almost insupportable heat, to which the dust adds a distress. Accept my sympathy.

Highlands is the place in such unpleasable weather as it is said Anderson is experiencing here. The manufacture of ozone—health-giving, appetite-producing, strength-imparting elixir of elastic vigor. There is a young man up here of 75 summers who declined to die some twenty years ago, and fled to this place from Colorado to keep from being buried in an old man's grave. His step and bearing give promise of very distant senility. You should have heard him carrying his parts in a concert which I have just attended. He sang as easily as a boy of forty, and with as much zest as grandfather Miller plays his beloved violin. The fervent wish is expressed that the superb voice of Uncle Cunningham may remain as long in time, both in volume and depth, as Dr. O'Farrell's. That was a pleasant "Recital," given by visiting talent, in the Episcopal Church, for the debt on the organ. But as one and another of the cultivated voices had finished their sweet strains, the organ was not there. Her pure and smooth and powerful voice would have bathed the whole valley in liquid music, and stolen into the hearts of every listener and crystallized in their memories almost the compressed perfume of some of the best music ever heard.

Testifying as to what I have experienced—without uttering a reflection—go to Mr. Norton's for table comfort, which a mountainous appetite needs. Here is a pleasant, abundant, toothsome, varied. His most estimable superintends in person every dish that is placed upon her table. Besides, an almost perfect system throughout the house of gauze windows and doors exclude the sun's rays, and the air is kept cool from the top as well as from the bottom. The Norton house is the popular house this summer, and quite a number of the Anderson people are here—no call names; you can tell them easily when all the summer flitters shall have reached home.

In the higher mountains there are no redbugs to annoy you, no black gnats to exasperate, no mosquitoes to keep you awake, and but few fleas to surprise you. But get to the valleys and covets! Look out! and keep looking, and then scratch, and when you have finished, commence all over again. Give me Highlands, with every hill and mountain to climb before I get there. Here is the air, here is the water; you can here eat and sleep and grow fat, and return home rested and full of ozone energy for the Fall trade.

Mr. Editor, sell a few cords of wood, and come even for a few days.

ZERO.

### Corner Creek Ripples.

Rain, rain! Yes, we are having plenty of rain at present. We are undergoing a September gale it seems, and the farmers are getting most anxious for the sunshine to peel forth from the blue sky above so they can go to gathering their cotton into the houses and the bolls to the barns. It is estimated that our farmers will make about three-fourths of a crop this year, much better than that of other sections we have seen, for, honestly, we have seen fields of cotton that it would take ten acres to make one.

Miss Mary Lewis, a most charming and admirable young lady from Belton, visited her cousin, Miss Jane Bigby, a few days last week. Come again, Miss Lewis, for some of our boys have said they would like to see her.

Miss Lizzie Gassaway, one of our belles, and Miss Clara Simpson one of Honora Path's belles, accompanied by your humble correspondent, spent last Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. J. Crowther and family near Antreville. We spent the night very pleasantly in the parlor with the young folks. Sunday morning soon came with the dark clouds rolling by, which threatened rain at any moment. But as they were to be preaching at First Creek, nothing could hold our party from going. Traveling a distance of three miles soon found us at the Church, where we listened to a most excellent sermon from their efficient pastor, Rev. W. D. Moore. But in the meantime the rain was pouring down very fast. So, Mr. Editor, we had to travel in the rain. But, oh, my! the young ladies were so afraid they would get their white dresses soiled. Nevertheless, our preacher, on our destination, where we ate a hearty dinner, and again to the parlor, to listen to some music. It wasn't long 'till we found ourselves journeying towards our home to think of the happy hours spent in this house. Miss Simpson stayed and will visit relatives down there a week. We wish her a jolly time.

Miss Lou Gassaway closed her school at the Academy last Friday, after a seven-weeks' duration. She treated the school to candy, which was highly appreciated by the pupils.

There will be sixteen converts to be baptized at Barker's Creek next Sunday morning. Hugh Bigby, of Pelzer, spent last night here with his father.

The health of our people is very good at the present writing. J. Brown Gassaway has accepted a position with the firm of S. B. Robinson & Co., at Honora Path, and began work Monday.

Wishing the INTELLIGENCER continued success, we are yours very truly, O. E. GASSAWAY.

August 29, 1899.

An instance of a man holding two offices in violation of the constitution of the State has developed in Columbia. Gov. McSweney has notified Senator Marshall of the Richland delegation that a vacancy exists on the board of supervisors of registration for that county in consequence of the fact that Mr. J. J. Roach has accepted the position of constable to Magistrate Smith.

The one-half of the world that doesn't know how the other half lives isn't made up of women.

### Lowndesville Locals.

The protracted meeting carried on last week by Rev. J. F. Singleton, assisted by Rev. T. A. Reid, closed Friday evening. Rev. Mr. Singleton made a splendid impression during his short stay here, and our people were sorry that he could not be longer with us. He was ably seconded in his efforts by the Rev. T. A. Reid, of Charleston, who is visiting his cousins, Messrs. Bohn and Berry Allen. Mr. Singleton left on the 8 a. m. passenger train for Troy.

Mr. Ellis J. Hucklebee, one of our most popular young men, who has been visiting Rev. E. W. Mason and family, at Magnolia, Sumter County, has returned. Mr. and Mrs. Mason, with their two bright boys, are pleasantly remembered here, and have many warm friends who take an active interest in their welfare.

Messrs. Tom Baskin and Baskin Sherard, of Moffettsville, were in town Sunday and Monday.

Mr. E. C. Messing, one of our most enterprising farmers who, accompanied by his family, has been visiting friends and relatives and attending to his business interests in his native land, France, for a few months, has returned to his place, a few miles from town, much pleased with his trip.

Mr. Gibbs Baker, of Washington, D. C., accompanied by his wife, is visiting his father, Mr. T. Baker.

Dr. Lindsey, of Due West, is visiting Rev. H. C. Fennell, and assisting him in a protracted meeting, which began in the Presbyterian church Saturday.

Miss Addie Horton, of Clinton, is visiting her uncle, Mr. E. R. Horton.

Mr. Theo. Watson, of Anderson, is visiting Mr. J. E. Allen.

Mr. J. L. Lattimer, Theo. Watson, H. B. Allen, J. B. Moseley, Jr., L. A. Matthews, Mr. L. C. Clinkcales and Miss Laura Clinkcales went to Elberton last week during the Carnival and returned much pleased, with their trip.

August 29, 1899.

The cotton market has opened rather early this year, and comments are often heard on our streets as to the fact that the sales for one day not long since were over fifteen thousand, as against six thousand for the same day last year. The average price here is about .05.75, and so far about twelve bales have been marketed. The farmers are picking the crop as fast as possible, and are watching with interest for the day when the oil mill gin outfit will be ready for work. It is expected that the outfit will be ready in about two weeks.

Lowndesville is reveling in the pleasure of having with her several interesting visitors, who serve very acceptably in keeping the old town awake. Miss Lura Agnew, of Donalds, who has been visiting Miss Meta Allen, is one of the foremost, and much regret was expressed when she left Saturday.

Miss Sadie Huffman, of Seneca, is visiting the Misses Pennell.

Misses Zula and Daisy Brock and Mr. Jno. McDavid, of Due West, drove over from Honora Path Saturday. The Misses Brock are the guests of Mr. J. T. Lattimer, and Mr. McDavid returned Monday to his home.

Miss Jennie Todd and Mr. George Parker came up from Augusta Saturday afternoon and are now with Mr. J. T. Lattimer.

Misses Addie Horton and Julia Simpson, of Clinton, are visiting their uncle, Mr. E. R. Horton.

Mr. M. P. McCalla and sister, Miss Lella, were in town Sunday, the guests of Mr. B. Bohn Allen.

Mr. Baskin Sherard, of Moffettsville, is with his friend, Mr. H. B. Allen.

Dr. Ernest Watson and Wade Sherard, of Iva, were here Friday evening to attend the party given by Miss Meta Allen.

The young people of the "city" and visitors were pleasantly entertained Friday evening by Miss Meta Allen, at a party given at her father's home, just out of town.

Miss Olive, who has been visiting relatives and friends here, returned to her home at Belton Saturday morning. They are the son and daughter of Hon. A. C. Lattimer, the Representative of this District in the National Congress, who was born here, and they left a pleasant impression with our people. While here they were the guests of Mr. J. T. Lattimer.

Mr. J. B. Leroy returned from the mountains of Jackson County, N. C., Saturday, bringing with him a very large stuffed rattlesnake skin.

Mr. R. E. Moseley has returned from Nashville, Tenn., but stayed only a few days with us, as he left Saturday afternoon for Anderson.

Mr. Jno. C. Allen, principal of the Lowndesville High School, is visiting in town.

Sept. 5, 1899.

### STATE NEWS.

Amount of taxes collected in Sumter County under the income tax Act last year was \$79.75.

Black-stock is a model town in the observance of the Sabbath. No Sunday mails are sent or received at the post office there.

Primary elections for city officers were held in Spartanburg and Greenville last week. Spartanburg polled 1,116 votes to Greenville's 970.

York Holloway, colored, was killed by lightning in Greenwood County, Aug. 27; two pistols and a pair of knucks were found on his body.

The South Carolina Telephone Company have about got things in readiness to begin building their new telephone line which will connect Columbia with the Pee Dee and Piedmont sections of the State.

Lewis Smith, the seventeen year old son of Dr. J. M. Smith, of William, in trying to remove a pistol from his pocket, dropped the weapon which was discharged, mortally wounding his mother, who died within a few hours.

Nesbitt & Son, proprietors of the Fork Shoals mills in Greenville county, are contemplating enlarging their plant and forming a stock company so as to develop the property to the fullest extent. This Fork Shoals plant is an ideal one.

Clarence Anderson, a Spartanburg farmer, has done all his plowing this year under the shade of an umbrella. He carried a common umbrella stretched over him, the staff being placed behind on his back fastened with a strap.

The body of Ed Hayes, who disappeared several weeks ago, was found last Wednesday in Tiger river, Greenville county, partly eaten by dogs. He had been shot and the coroner's jury finds that James Suddeth did the killing. Suddeth has been arrested.

Gov. McSweney has removed Magistrates Kay and Kennedy of Bamberg county, who some time ago by failing to do their duty, aided G. W. M. Williams, the disbarred lawyer, to escape. Williams was wanted in Georgia as well as South Carolina, but the Magistrates allowed him to escape the officers of the law.

At Iatta, Marion County, the 6-year-old daughter of Dr. R. A. Bass accidentally shot and killed her little brother, four months old, with a parlor rifle, carrying a 22-calibre ball. While the child was handling the gun it was accidentally discharged, the ball striking the infant in the forehead, coming out at the back of the head.

Rev. J. R. Riley, who has been a faithful pastor of the Presbyterian church at Pickens, has tendered his resignation and will ask the Presbytery at its next session to put him on the retired list, on account of old age. Dr. Riley has been pastor of the Presbyterian church for the past sixteen years.

Attorney General Bellinger has notified ex-Superintendent of the Penitentiary Neal's bondsmen that they must pay up his shortage at once or he will enter suit. He has asked whether Tillman, Evans and the others have paid their bills. Otherwise he will, under the resolution of the board, enter suit for collection.

Jim Dickson, colored, was killed by lightning while picking cotton in his father's field near Sumter. Four others who were in the field with him were stunned at the same time, but they soon recovered. A heavy storm of wind, rain and lightning came up suddenly and the hands in the fields were caught before they could reach shelter.

E. D. Free, who was appointed treasurer of Barnwell county on the death of his father, the former treasurer, reports to the governor that he finds a shortage in his father's account of \$8,700. The shortage was over \$16,000, but there were funds in his father's credit to reduce it. The son tells the governor that his father left him property enough to wipe out the shortage which will be done.

William Strait, a relative of ex-Congressman Strait, of South Carolina, was arrested in York county, last week, charged with having attempted to poison his mother-in-law, Mrs. Kidd. Strait sent Mrs. Kidd a dish of grated green corn. Noticing it had a bitter taste, she gave it to the dog. In a few minutes the dog died with convulsions. It is said arsenic has been found in the corn. In the event of Mrs. Kidd's death Strait's wife would have inherited her property.

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