

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 19, 1867.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

**JOB WORK.**—We have now completed our office so as to execute, in the shortest possible time, ALL KINDS OF JOB WORK, and we most respectfully ask the patronage of our friends.

Post Office Notice.

Post Office, CHARLESTON, S. C., July 6, 1867.

After to-day the mails for Northeastern Railroad will close at 8 o'clock A.M., and to-day and afterwards they are expected to reach the Railroad "Station" at 2:30 o'clock P.M., and to be ready for delivery at this office, 3:30 o'clock P.M., except on Sunday, when the hour will be from 4:15 M. to 7 P.M., until further notice.

STANLEY O. TROTT, P. M.

**POSTOFFICE NOTE.**—An evening mail for Augusta and Savannah, and for distribution beyond those offices, will close daily at the Postoffice at half-past 6 o'clock.

**THE FRANKLIN STREET SCHOOL.**—The colored school in the Marine Hospital, under the auspices of the Episcopal Church, has far surpassed the anticipations of its founders. It now numbers eight hundred and fifty pupils, and the corps of teachers will soon be increased to one principal and one vice, and seven female assistants. The pupils are all neatly dressed, and apparently take a great interest in their studious pursuits.

**LAMENTABLE ACCIDENT.**—An individual, stout of heart and strong of muscle, whom a good soldier, had the misfortune to receive a considerable amount of "city bills" yesterday, and unable to dispose of them, and not having the fear of General Orders No. 32 before his eyes, he went into the bricklaying business, depositing several bricks in his "tub." This cheered him up, in fact made him jolly. "How in the world he got drunk, I cannot understand," remarked one of his friends, apologetically, "and on city bills, too, at that!" And with that they went on their way rejoicing.

**COMMENCEMENT OF THE LIMESTONE SPRINGS FEMALE HIGH SCHOOL.**—The first Commencement of this Institution since its reconstruction, was celebrated on the 9th inst., and although the number of scholars was small in comparison with former years, the high reputation always borne by the Institution was sustained. The young ladies were examined in the different branches which had formed the course of study. This examination was conducted solely on the written system, and a correspondent of the *Carolina Spartan* states that the unusual silence was oppressive, but the written answers proved that the scholars were thoroughly conversant with the questions propounded. Dr. Curtis has a large experience as a teacher, and under his fostering care the Limestone Seminary will soon regain its former prosperity.

**THE NEWCOMER.**—Memoirs of a most respectable family. Edited by ARTHUR PENDENNA, with illustrations. New York, M. Doolley.

We are indebted to Mr. S. G. CONNAT, No. 9 Broad street, for a copy of this neat little copy of an old favorite. If our readers take as much pleasure in Colonel Newcomer's society as we do, they will hasten to procure a copy of this, the "best society novel which has been published in this country." This in the verdict pronounced upon it by a very competent English critic. But there is no need to review the book. Everybody is familiar with the dear old Colonel, and Clive, and Mowat; Charles Honeyman, Ethel, Lady Kew, Mrs. McKenzie and Rosa, Barnes and Mrs. Hobson, Noveme and Marin; M. de Flores, and all the rest of them; every one a real living character, with whom we are as well acquainted as we are with our neighbors across the way and around the corner. There never was but one THACKERAY.

**WOFFORD COLLEGE.**—The *Carolina Spartan*, of Thursday, brings in a glowing account of the commencement of Wofford College. The exercises commenced on Sunday, when Professor Whittemore Spurr preached the very able and eloquent Commencement Sermon in the College Chapel. On Monday evening, Professor JAMES H. CARLISLE gave his learned and instructive Lecture to the United States Coast Survey. Tuesday evening was appropriated to the forms prescribed by the Faculty of the Female College, conducted by an Address by Rev. A. R. L. WOODWARD, Watchman. Commencement exercises proper took place, & ADOLPHUS PORTER, of Spartanburg, (who knew him a few bits of a hair a few years ago), delivered an Oration, the text of which was, "A stone that is fit for the wall is not left in the waste." He was followed by JOHN WILKE SHARP, his theme, "The Land We Love." The exercises were closed by Rev. A. R. PORTER, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg. Later in the evening there was a reception given, if we are not mistaken, by the Calhoun and Preston Societies of the College.

**SHOOTING ON EAST BAY.—INTENSE EXCITEMENT.—TWO MEN MORTALLY SCARED.**—The usual quiet of East Bay was disturbed on Wednesday by the sudden report of a pistol, and men who had been long unused to grim visaged war, snuffed the battle afar and hastened to the scene. It appeared on examination that the shot was fired from Mr. BERNARD O'NEIL's store, and was aimed at a rat, but the long-tailed animal fled from the wrist to come, and the bullet, glancing the floor, struck a gentleman passing by in the shoulder, but did no damage beyond cutting his coat. His indignation at the occurrence was immense, and considering it to be the act of a thief, he proceeded to vent his anger in violent demonstrations of his unfeigned aspersion.

A sympathetic crowd soon gathered, among whom was a neighboring merchant who had also been threatened by the shot. These gentlemen, not wishing a repetition of the warlike scuffles, preferred charges before the police and a detachment of the "Guardians" headed by their officers, were soon on the ground, these were followed by the Detectives and it seemed for a time as if the unfortunate shooting would be compelled to pay the penalty due to the offended law. Fortunately moderation prevailed, "no one was hurt" and the only punishment meted to the culprit, was a fine of \$5 for firing his pistol in the City limits. We would suggest to our East Bay friends a visit to No. 3 Hayne street where they will find a rat trap that will prove far more efficacious in checking the career of the animals than a pistol shot, and the result will be more satisfactory both to the parties themselves and to the public, who can then walk the Bay boldly and fear no evil.

**THE SEA ISLAND COTTON CROP.**—The information daily being received, in reference to the present condition of the long staple cotton crop of the State, induces the belief that this is to be a disastrous year for this important product. Should this be the case, to the extent that is now feared, and the price of the article kept at its present depressed figure, it will certainly be most unfortunate for our sea island planters. Having for several years of the war been compelled to allow their estates to run to waste, and in some cases to have their lands sold for taxes, and perhaps passing out of their hands forever, coming into the markets of the world, after the late struggle, with a greater amount of competition to meet than even the planters of upland cotton, they certainly stood in need of all the adjuncts that could be brought to their assistance to enable them, in any reasonable time, to secure a position of comfort and prosperity. The following is the substance of various letters received by one of our cotton merchants from the leading and reliable planters in the neighborhood of this city, who are practical men, and whose judgments may be relied on.

**These letters are all dated in the present month.** BEAUFORT (S. C.)—Our crops generally poor, grassy, and the lower farmers all gone—lose one-third.

BULL'S ISLAND (S. C.)—Crops disappointingly bad—do not think a half crop can be made.

EDISTO (S. C.)—Crops generally grassy—lower farmers all gone—hardly think the Island will yield more than twenty-five pounds to the acre.

JOHN'S ISLAND (S. C.)—Crops seriously injured—lower farmers all gone—golds grassy, prospects gloomy.

JAMES' ISLAND (S. C.)—Crops suffering from too much rain—the lower farmers all gone—damaged from a third to a half of the crop.

ST. ANDREW'S (S. C.)—Crops grassy and greatly injured by the late heavy rains.

CHATHAM CHURCH (S. C.)—Crops generally grassy, with loss of bottom form; can hardly realize over half the crop.

BR. JONES' (S. C.)—The late heavy rains have greatly injured the crops—plant small and backward. The crop will scarcely reach last year's yield.

ST. STEPHEN'S (S. C.)—Crops all looking badly. Without favorable weather from this time, it will be hard to calculate the loss.

Information received from Florida generally reports serious damage to cotton caused by the heavy rains.

**GRAND REOPENING.**—It gives us great pleasure to announce that the establishments under the control of Messrs. J. N. PERINICK, II, H. B. BISHOP, and L. D. KNAPKE, will be re-opened to-day, and the enterprising proprietors will celebrate the occasion in their usual style, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. The popularity of these restaurants is well known, and it would be useless to extol them further. During their involuntary suspension, the managers were loud and deep, and it is but fitting that their resumption of business should be celebrated by free libations. We understand that licenses have been granted by Council in these cases on a recommendation from the Postmaster.

**THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT IN THE CITY.**—We adverted one time ago to the necessity that existed for reorganizing the Temperance Order, and the good that would result from such action. Since that paragraph was written, the ball had been put in motion, Order No. 82 was promulgated, the bar-rooms were closed, and drinking was either done thus or by the glass. This enforced abstinence has produced the most medical results, and when we once consider spiritualists have now bound themselves and taken a solemn oath to renounce their allegiance not only to the Bourbon, but to all descendants of King Alcibiades. The movement was inaugurated among the merchants of Hayes street, but they have found many imitators, and if the temperance enthusiasm should continue, the authorities will have no difficulty in enforcing the new liquor laws. To make the record sure, and knowing that since the re-opening of the hotel bars, the temptation would be strong, a bond has been signed, by which a large amount is forfeited should either of the parties fall from grace. It is an old and true saying "that the spirit is willing, and the flesh is weak," and the forfeit will probably tend to keep the signers in the right path, as at present the pocket is a tender spot. The bonds are executable, and will not be placed upon the market, though it is probable that they would command as much as city stock.

**DISTRICT COURT.**—Hon. GEORGE W. LOGAN, presiding. The Court convened at 10 A. M., and the following cases were tried and verdicts returned:

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