CITY AFFAIRS.

Meetings this Day.

Marion Lodge, at 7 P. M.
I. O. O. F., at 8 P. M.
Zerubbabel Chapter, at 7 P. M.
Freundschaftsbund, at 8 P. M.
Phœnix Fire Company, at half-past 7 P. M.
Ætna Fire Company, at half-past 7 P. M.

Auction Sales this Day.

R. M. Marshall & Brother will sell at 11 o'clock, at their office, horses, mules, &c.

William McKay will sell at 10 o'clock, at his store, platedware, furniture, &c.

THE CHEAPEST YET.—The NEWS Job Office is now printing bill-heads in the best style and on fine paper, at $2 50 per thousand. Merchants, think of it?

ACCIDENT ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA RAILROAD.—The night train from Charleston ran off the track near Gadsden's yesterday morning, and did not arrive in Columbia until 10 A. M.

CHANGE OF BISHOPS.—The Right Rev. Bishop Verot, of Savannah, at his own request, has been transferred to the See of St. Augustine, Florida, and Right Rev. Bishop Persico will take his place in Savannah.

STOP THIEF.—On Tuesday night, the 15th instant, two mare mules, a light bay and a black, both medium size, were stolen from Branchville. The loss was soon discovered and the thieves pursued to Four-Hole Bridge, where, from indications, it appeared that they were making their way to Charleston or the islands by way of Bacon's Bridge. A reward has been offered for the arrest of the thieves and recovery of the mules.

LA RUE'S MINSTRELS.—Next Monday evening will inaugurate, for a brief season, the reign of burnt cork on the Academy boards. The minstrel troupe which has been engaged is one of extraordinary merit, and comes to us bearing the unqualified endorsement of the press and public wherever they have appeared. Once they have heard them, our people, we feel sure, will thank Manager Ford for having secured them so rare a treat.

THE BOARD OF FIREMASTERS.—At the regular meeting of this board, held at the Market Hall on Wednesday night, the presidents of the incorporated fire companies appeared and took their seats as members of the board. These companies have been recently incorporated by the Legislature, and claim their seats as component parts of the Fire Department. Nothing but routine business was transacted, and the board soon adjourned.

OUR PRICES CURRENT.—We especially invite the attention of our merchants to THE NEWS Prices Current, issued this morning. Made up with the utmost care, and handsomely printed with entirely new type, it forms, with the business card of the house forwarding it, the most attractive and welcome weekly commercial circular that can be used. Price, for ten copies or more, with business card, two and a half cents per copy; single copies five cents.

PERSONAL.—The Hon. H. D. Capers, of Georgia, president of the State Agricultural Society, is on a visit to his friends in this city, and is a guest at the Charleston Hotel.

Mr. John H. Devereux has returned to Charleston from a professional visit to several of the Northern cities, where he has studied the style of architecture of public buildings with the view of adapting the knowledge thus gained to some projects now in embryo.

Colonel James R. Hoyt, of the Anderson Intelligencer, and Colonel McClure, of the Chester Reporter, two gallant gentlemen and able and influential journalists, are at present sojourning for a few days in our city.

A MODEL MAGISTRATE.—The broadcast manner with which Governor Scott scattered his appointments in the early part of his gubernatorial career, has caused the ermine of justice to be worn by numbers who are ignorant of law and barely acquained with the three R's—Reading, Riting and Arithmetic. The following affidavit is from one of these model magistrates, and is given *verbatim et literatim:*

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
DARLINGTON COUNTY.

Personaly appeared Solomon Wilkins Before me one of the magistrate en and for the County of Darlington after Being sworen says that he sais tnat Jake Jones asked him whare did you stay and he tolled him that he staid at Esqr McKissick then he asked him if the car did not Kill a cow for him and witeness told him no then Jones said then it was F. A. McKissick Cow the car kiled.

Sweren to Before me
this the 18 day of Dec 1869.

F. M. CROSS, Magist

his
SOLOMON x WILKINS.
mark.

REAL ESTATE SALES.—Mr. Z. B. Oakes sold yesterday the three store iron front building on Broad street, occupied by Messrs. W. B. Heriot & Co. and others, for $6500.

Messrs. Leitch & Bruns sold a lot on the west side of King street, a few doors south of Beaufain, for $7000.

A lot and buildings on St. Philip street, upper wards, for $1500.

A lot and residence on the west side of Gadsden street, upper wards, for $1600.

Mr. A. C. McGillivray sold four lots in Ward No. 8, for $1400.

Mr. John S. Ryan sold a lot and buildings on the west side of Anson, near Calhoun streets, for $1835.

A lot on the north of the above, for $1800.

A lot on the south side of Calhoun street, for $1350.

A lot and buildings on the same side of Calhoun street, for $2500.

Another lot, similarly situated, brought $1400.

A lot on Cove street, Sullivan's Island, for $45.

PERUVIAN GUANO.—The deposits of manure existing on the Chincha Islands, coast of Peru, are known everywhere for their great value as land stimulants. This article has been in such extensive demand in all civized countries, that the original fields on the Chincha Islands are about being exhausted, and the Peruvian Government, which has for a long time enjoyed a valuable monopoly of these deposits, have opened new mines on the Guanape Islands, which will be for a time, at least, the main source of supply. The article which comes from this last point is said to be fully equal to the best which was procured from the Chinchas. A cargo of about eight hundred tons, direct from Guanape, has arrived here, and been purchased by Messrs. Geo. W. Williams & Co., who offer it from the wharf at sixty dollars per ton, gold. Its undoubted purity and value will cause it to meet with rapid sale. These gentlemen have at their office some fine specimens of crystals, impregnated with ammonia and phosphatic eggs, taken from the deposits on these islands, which for the student and agriculturist possess much interest.

THE BENEFIT OF MRS. OATES.—The "Pride of the Market," and other pieces, will be played at the Academy of Music to-night, for the benefit of Mrs. Oates, the charming actress, who is already so great a favorite with all lovers of grace, skill and wholesome fun. Burlesque may be only a twig of the dramatic tree, but it can be made the source of infinite amusement, while to perch there successfully the bold burlesquer must possess different powers, which are rarely found together. All these Mrs. Oates enjoys in an eminent degree. A spirited and careful actress, of graceful presence, the possessor of a rich, ringing voice, and having a full command of all the resources of the dramatic and lyric stage, the fair lady is as fascinating in comedy as in burlesque, and in pure burlesque is inimitable. The pieces chosen for to-night will display to good purpose the versatility of her genius, and it is expected that she will have a crowded house. On Saturday the present engagement of the Oates Company comes to an end, and for some time there will be no fresh opportunity of beholding again the "twinkling star of the lyric stage," whose benefit comes off to-night.

MASONIC.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of South Carolina.

WEDNESDAY, February 16.

Grand Chapter was called on from refreshment to labor, at the sound of the gavel, at half-past 11 A. M., by M. E. G. H. P., R. S. Bruns.

Minutes of last evening's session were read and confirmed.

Companion Ramsay presented the report of the Committee on Per Diem and Mileage. Adopted.

Companion A. Ramsay, representative of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, presented himself and was received in due form.

Companion McClure, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented their report, which was adopted.

On motion of Companion Smythe,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Chapter are due and are hereby tendered to Zerubbabel Chapter, No. 11, and Carolina Chapter, No. 1, for the use of their regalia during the present convocation.

On motion of Companion Thayer,

Resolved, That Flint Hill Chapter be allowed to change its place of meeting to Winnsboro'.

On motion of Companion Smythe,

Ordered, That a duplicate charter be granted to Chapter No. 14, at Chester.

Companion Hoyt presented petition of Masonic Female College at Cokesbury, which was adopted and recommended to the craft.

Companion Birnie presented report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which was received, and the thanks of the Grand Chapter returned to Companion Birnie therefor.

Companion Birnie was then elected chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for ensuing year, and Companions A. T. Smythe and W. R. Blake appointed as rest of the committee.

The special order having arrived, the Grand Chapter went into election for officers for ensuing year, with the following result:

Companion M. Moses, M. E. G. H. P.
Companion C. G. Jaeger, D. G. H. P.
Companion James A. Hoyt, G. K.
Companion E. W. Lloyd, G. S.
Companion W. S. Bowman, G. Chaplain.
Companion C. F. Jackson, G. Treasurer.
Companion Augustine T. Smythe, G. Secretary.
Companion B. Z. Herndon, G. C. H.
Companion H. F. Covington, G. R. A. C.
Companion L. F. Meyer, G. Sentinel.

Grand Chapter was then called from labor to refreshment till 5 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Grand Chapter was called on at 5 P. M.

Companion Jaeger presented a supplemental report of the Committee on By-Laws. Adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next annual convocation of this Grand Chapter be held in Charleston.

The officers elect were then installed, and the Grand Chapter closed in due and ample form till the next annual convocation.

The utmost harmony prevailed throughout the entire convocation, and the companions dispersed infused with new zeal for their ancient and honorable Order.

THE CATHOLIC FAIR.—The rain put a damper on all outside enjoyment last night; but the fair was comparatively well attended, and the evening was spent in an enjoyable manner. The attractions have not diminished, and the entertainment is all that could be desired.

A VERY HIGH TIDE.—The spring tide of yesterday morning was unusually high, the low streets and grounds in the upper wards bordering on either river being flooded. The causeway of the Savannah Railroad dock, on Ashley River, was completely submerged, and the streets in the neighborhood of the Arsenal were impassable on account of their flooded condition. A horse with a loaded dray fell down while wading through Inspection street, and was rescued with some difficulty.

POCAHONTAS.—John Brougham's famous burlesque is a favorite in the United States, even in the "Old Dominion," where the blood of the gentle savage bronzes the cheeks, in fancy at least, of many a famous family. It is smart and pungent; as full of puns as Gaelic is of consonants, and with as many funny situations as there are liquid vowels in the soft Tuscan tongue. The interest of the legend never flags; and if it can always be illustrated and adorned by a troupe like that which now occupies our Academy, the lyrico-dramatico-burlesquo-serioso "Pocahontas" will surely never die.

Mrs. Oates last night played "John Smith" with unconquerable spirit, and a vivid force which knows no such word as tire. The dramatic ability of this fair lady is more apparent every day. There is infinite variety in her acting, and her rich, full voice was displayed to admirable advantage in the graceful songs introduced into the Indian burlesque.

H. R. H. Princess Pocahontas fell to the lot of Mrs. Sheldon, a distressingly bewitching dame for whom the universal Smith might well live, and could hardly refuse to die. Miss Ida DeSoyer appeared as Di-mun-di, fixing herself more firmly than ever in popular favor. Mr. Allen was a glorious Powhatan, and his ripe, mellow, bass told well in the concerted music. All the minor parts were well filled, and the company played and sang with the clock-work precision and accuracy for which they are famous.

The intricate guitar solo by Mr. Hernandez was loudly applauded, as was the "Tumbleronicon." "An Alarming Sacrifice," a laughable farce, opened the performances. Bob Ticket (Mr. Sheldon) was a capital bit of acting, and Susan Sweet Apple (Mrs. Sheldon) and Tidbit (Miss DeSoyer) were prettily piquante and touchingly bright.

SENTENCE DAY.—The following persons, found guilty of various offences during this term of the Court of General Sessions, were sentenced on Thursday:

Charles Harrison—manslaughter—one year in the State penitentiary.

Jake Robinson—grand larceny—three years at hard labor in State penitentiary.

Joe Brunson, Joe Hazzard and Richard Singleton—grand larceny—fourteen months at hard labor in State penitentiary.

Samuel Mustapha, John Evans and B. Hills—riot—a fine of $500, or one year in jail, each.

Samuel Simmons—larceny—two years.

Wm. Stanyarne, Wm. Heyward and Wm. Jenkins—grand larceny—two years at hard labor, each, in the State penitentiary.

Morris Alston—larceny—one year in jail at hard labor.

F. Surau—assault—$5, or one month in jail.

Wm. McElhose—$1 fine, or one month in jail.

Eugenia Bowers—assault—$1 fine, or one month in jail.

Richard Murphy—$10 fine, or one month in jail.

Martin O'Brien—assault and battery—$200 fine, or one year in jail.

Michael Curby—$20 fine and costs, or one month in jail.

Sam Steed—$5 fine, or one month in jail.

Thomas Roundfield—$5 fine, or one month in jail.

Stephen Virum—$5 fine, or one month in jail.

Michael Terry—$5 fine, or one month in jail.

George Gruber—$15 fine, or forty days in jail.

Ladson Ford—petty larceny—three months in jail.

Joe Glover and Alfred Hudson—petty larceny—$5 fine, or one month in jail each.

Ben Hayes—larceny of notes—$60 fine, or three months in jail.

Fred Grant—$30 fine, or two months in jail.

Antoinette Simmons—$5 fine and costs, or one month in jail.

Ann Burke—assault and battery—$10 fine and costs, or one month in jail.

Lawrence Washington and L. Mann—sentence not published in consequence of their absence from the courtroom. Bench warrants were issued for their arrest.

Julius Fickling and Sam Taylor—assault and battery—$5 fine or one month in jail.

F. G. Carraghan—$15 fine and costs, or forty days in jail.

The sentences of T. R. Smalls, and E. J. Black, Peter Jones and Mark Reynolds were withheld, in consequence of their absence from the courtroom.

The business of the General Sessions being closed, the court was adjourned *sine die*, and an adjournment of the Court of Common Pleas ordered until Monday.

MASONIC.—The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of South Carolina met on Tuesday morning, at Masonic Hall, in this city, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Companion A. G. Mackey, M. P. Grand Master.
Companion B. R. Campbell, Thrice Select D. G. M.
Companion E. W. Lloyd, S. M. Hiram of Tyre.
Companion C. F. Jackson, Grand Treasurer.
Companion H. W. Schroder, Grand Recorder.
Companion J. A. Hoyt, Grand Marshal.
Companion J. Birnie, Grand Captain Guards.
Companion C. M. Miller, Grand Conductor of Council.
Companion L. F. Meyer, Grand Steward.

No important questions came up in council, except two suggested by the address of Companion Mackey, Grand Master. The first was whether a Grand Council had the right to confer the degrees, and the other was whether the Super Excellent degree was any part of the ritual of the rite. Both subjects were referred to the committee on correspondence, who reported in accordance with the suggestions of the Grand Master, that the Grand Council possessed the right of conferring the degrees, and that the Super-Excellent degree was an innovation on the ancient landmarks and would not be recognized by the Grand Council. These are matters of great importance to Council Masons in this State.

THE RIGHT OF THE CITY TO IMPRISON.—The grand jury, in their presentment made yesterday, directed the attention of the court to the fact that "persons arrested for alleged violations of the law by the detective force without legal process have been confined for fifteen days in the cells under the City Hall." The decisions of the Mayor's Court, in condemning persons charged with statutory offences to imprisonment in the House of Correction, were also considered a grave violation of the law, as no person charged with an indictable offence should be confined in any other place than the county jail.

The arbitrary exercise of power by the police and other municipal authorities has been frequently questioned; and while the right of the city to punish all violations of its ordinances is not doubted, it is claimed that when fines are imposed and the offender refuses to pay, the Recorder's Court is the proper tribunal to which the case should be referred for adjudication, as the city has not the right to imprison until the fine imposed should be paid. This was tested on a point similar to that stated above on Tuesday morning, before Judge Carpenter. A man who was fined in the Mayor's Court for an offence against a city ordinance refused to pay the fine, and was imprisoned. The case was brought before the judge on a *habeas corpus*, which was granted, on the grounds that the remedy for the city lay in the Recorder's Court, and imprisonment was illegal.

CRUMBS.—H. Larcomb, the president of the United Fire Company, colored, was presented at their last anniversary with a fine silver trumpet, valued at $100.

The ball given by the German Fire Company, in aid of the German Lutheran Church on King street, given at the hall of the company in Chalmers street, was well attended and a perfect success.

The horrible din caused by the passage of vehicles over the cobble stones, in the vincity of the courtroom, has ruffled the equanimity of the grand jury and they recommend that the county commissioners replace the present noisy pavement with the Nicholson, or some other smooth and noiseless material.

Joshua Thompson was arrested on Wednesday, for stealing a trace chain and other articles from the South Carolina Railroad depot, and turned over to Magistrate Kanapaux for prosecution.

The McCulloch and Brignoli Italian Opera Troupe are billed for Atlanta on the 7th, 8th and 9th of March.

The Berger Swiss Bell Ringers, with Anna Berger as the principal though not sole attraction, will open next week at the hall of the Academy of Music.

LaRue's celebrated minstrel troupe will perform at the theatre next week. This troupe has an attraction in the shape of a male soprano voice—the only one, it is stated, on the continent.

PRESENTMENT OF THE GRAND JURY OF CHARLESTON COUNTY.—The following presentment, submitted by the grand jury, M. Caulfield, foreman, was read in open court on Thursday morning:

The grand jury of Charleston County, for the February term of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions, respectfully present:

That they have inspected the several public buildings, and found them in good order and well adapted in every respect for the purposes for which they were designed. They would especially commend the administration of the county jail, its police and sanitary arrangements, securing alike the safety and comfort of its inmates, while the allowance of food to each prisoner is ample and the quality good. They find, however, that some of the cells and galleries of the jail require whitewashing, and that the privy needs cleaning out. They recommend that the necessary lime and brushes be furnished the jailor by the county commissioners, and that the whitewashing be done by a detail of prisoners under his supervision, thus effecting a considerable saving to the State, as compared with the cost of the same work when executed under contract. They would also invite attention to the fact that some of the prisoners are almost destitute of clothing, and a due regard for humanity and decency demands, that in all such cases the county commissioners should, upon the certificate of the sheriff, furnish the necessary wearing apparel at the expense of the State.

They also examined the House of Correction, under the control of the municipal government of Charleston, and found it administered by the keeper with skill and efficiency, and its records well kept; but the allowance of food for the prisoners is insufficient, and its quality most inferior.

It this connection the grand jury deem it necessary to state that they have been informed that persons charged with statutory offences are, in some instances, arrested by the police and imprisoned in the House of Correction. While this institution is, doubtless, a necessary agency for the punishment of offenders against the ordinances and police regulations of the city, yet the grand jury regard it as a grave violation to confine any person charged with an indictable offence in any other place than the county jail.

They are also credibly advised that many persons have been arrested for alleged violation of law, by the detective force of this city, without legal process, and have been confined in the vaults or cells under the City Hall, for periods ranging from three to fifteen days, shut out almost entirely from light and air.

They earnestly recommend that this system of imprisonment be at once stopped, as dangerous to the liberty of the citizens and impeding the administration of justice.

The grand jury visited the Fireproof Building, and found that the improvements recommended by their predecessors at the last term for the preservation of the public records, and for other purposes, are now in course of execution.

The attention of the grand jury has been invited to the wretched condition of the roads and bridges in some parts of the county, especially in St. John's Berkeley Parish, and to this particularly they ask the early attention of the county commissioners.

The grand jury have observed that the transit of vehicles over the cobble stone paving on the south front of the courthouse often renders it almost impossible to be heard, and they therefore recommend that the county commissioners do, without delay, have said paving replaced with the Nicholson, or some other noiseless pavement, in order that they may be "silence in court."

It is gratifying to the grand jury to state that no case of a capital nature has been laid before them, yet the numerous cases, some of them very grave, upon which they have acted impel them to declare that, in their judgment, the increase of crime in the county can only be checked, and a proper regard for law enforced, by a fearless and rigid discharge of duty, without respect to persons, by the grand and petit juries.

In conclusion, the grand jury recognize and gratefully acknowledge the very valuable instructions they have received in the execution of their office from the luminous charge given to them by his honor, the presiding judge; and they desire also to acknowledge the prompt courtesy and assistance they have received at the hands of all the officers of this honorable court. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Hotel Arrivals—February 17.

CHARLESTON HOTEL.

D. W. C. Garrett, John T. Rabbeth, Nashville; F. D. Marck Wald, L. F. Lyor, Mrs. L. E. Lyor, Mrs. A. E. Martin, C. W. Sanders, Boston; H. F. Emery, Atlanta; B. W. Bradbury, Mrs. B. W. Bradbury, Boston; G. S. Wilson, Jacksonville; M. Baird, Edward Hoopes, Philadelphia; Henry D. Capers, Eatonton; Louis G. Gardner, New York; J. C. Gillett, Augusta; F. Frankenbury, B. McKee, Savannah; E. A. Marshall, J. C. Scott, Philadelphia; H. P. Cowles, New Haven; E. H. Tomlinson, Aiken; J. C. Wilson, New York; Mrs. E. A. Folansbee, Boston.

PAVILION HOTEL.

H. A. Fowls and wife, Enterprise; J. P. Harley, L. M. Hutto, J. D. Cleckly, Orangeburg; T. Minis, Radville; J. H. Clark, Darlington; P. K. Cuwll, Baltimore; A. A. Stobel, Ridgeville; J. A. Keels and son, G. D. Rhode, Mount Hope; T. H. Radcliff, Scalolum; S. C. Carr and servant, H. B. Carr, A. B. Carr, Barnwell; E. L. Rigly, Colleton; L. M. Keen, Revenue Cutter Racer.

People's National Bank.

CHARLESTON, February 16, 1870.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

HENRY COBIA, the president of this bank, has been removed from our midst by the Giver of all good gifts; and while we bow in submission to the Divine will, we do not think it unbecoming to give expression to our sorrows. Born and reared among the influences so dear to our people, he became a fair representative of that class which gives tone and character to the leading merchants of our city.

At an early age he began manfully to contend with life's practical realities, and by his steady industry, firm integrity and high moral worth, he advanced himself to positions of honor and trust, and held them to the last day of his useful life, without incurring the envy which so often follows closely upon success.

A spirit of faithful earnestness marked his whole career in the discharge of whatever duties he was called by his fellow-citizens to assume; and this striking characteristic contributed no little in securing to him the esteem of our community. If we can recall one more prominent feature than all which make the upright man, it was his strength of purpose which he invariably exhibited in the accomplishing of whatever he undertook to perform. Laboring with an untiring zeal, and devoting his whole energy and attention to attaining an end, who will feel surprise in reviewing the success which marked his way in life's earnest struggle? That success, that prosperity, are well known to us and to the community at large. Nor were his worth and usefulness appreciated by us alone—others claimed his helping hand and sought the aid of his clear judgment and the counsel of his valuable experience—others paid their tribute to his worth, and solicited his consideration. This he was ever ready to give, and, laying aside the thought of self, he contributed freely his time and the suggestions of a well regulated mind to the general prosperity of the community in which he lived. While we thus speak of him in his capacity of a citizen, it is not inappropriate to express our appreciation of him as a man. Those of us who enjoyed the privilege of associating with him as companions in his hours of social intercourse, can well bear testimony to his urbanity and generosity. His warm, affectionate sympathy has often helped to smooth our difficulties in life; and his kind advice, so often and appreciatingly received, has contributed to remove obstacles and give light to our sometimes clouded judgment.

He has passed from us, and we are sensible of the deep loss we have sustained. Others will be called to assume the duties he so well performed; but the cares and influences of changeful life cannot rob us of his memory. The example of his life will be ever present to our minds, and if guided by a light so clear and actuated by motives as pure as were his, the same success must mark our end as that which crowned his efforts.

We feel assured that a community shares with us our loss, and that this simple tribute to his memory will meet with a response from every one who has an appreciation of excellence and worth. We unite with those who have sustained a greater loss in the severing of a more tender tie, in doing honor to his memory, and extend to them our earnest sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, That in the death of our president, the late HENRY COBIA, this bank has been deprived of a highly valuable officer, one who has endeared himself to us, not only by his integrity and usefulness, but for those excellences of heart and mind so rarely united, and one who so largely contributed to the prosperity of this institution.

Resolved, That a page in our minute book be inscribed with his name and dedicated to his memory.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and accompanying resolutions be forwarded to the family of our deceased president, and that these proceedings be published in the daily papers.

Extract from the minutes.

H. G. LOPER, Cashier.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

LA VALENTINA.—Mr. A. A. Barbot, agent for this cigar factory, a branch of the Havana house, offers Havana tobacco and cigars of the best quality and make. Attention is directed to the list of popular brands published.

CHERAW, S. C., September 23, 1869.

Messrs. Kinsman & Howell:

DEAR SIRS—In regard to Mapes' superphosphate, I think it par excellence the fertilizer of the present time. I have tried others, but they could not compare with this. After running off my cotton rows four feet apart, I threw two furrows together and then split them out with a small shovel, sowing the phosphate in the drills; afterwards completed the bed. The cotton came up as well as it was possible for it to do. It will double itself in the yield. I have no rust. My neighbor's crops are almost destroyed by it. I tried on turnips in the liquified state, three gallons of water to two pounds of phosphate; it acted like magic. I planted the seed on the 2d of August, and the flat Dutch, five inches in diameter, by the 3d of September. It was used on melons and in my garden; the yield was far more than without it; and during the protracted and serious drought, my cotton, melons and garden did not suffer in the least, as far as I could perceive. I will try hard to make it better known in this section of the State, for it is an excellent fertilizer. Three hundred pounds is the proper quantity per acre for cotton; for turnips two hundred, and melons the same. If this will be of any use to you I shall be pleased.

Very respectfully, yours,
(Signed) JAMES H. POWE.

PERSONS visiting the city will purchase the stereoscopic views of Charleston and vicinity at the Hasel street Bazaar, or at No. 161 King street.
CHAS. C. RIGHTER & CO.

LADIES, have you seen that nice note paper at the Hasel street Bazaar, price 25 cents for two quires?

BUSINESS ENVELOPES.—THE NEWS Job Office is now prepared to furnish good envelopes, with business cards printed thereon, at $4 per thousand. Send your orders. Every merchant and business man should have his card printed on his envelopes.

A NEW STYLE of fine initial note paper and envelopes, 40 cents a box, at the Hasel street Bazaar.

Special Notices.

CONSIGNEES PER STEAMSHIP CHARLESTON are notified that she is discharging Cargo THIS DAY, at Adger's South Wharf. Goods uncalled for at sunset will remain on the wharf at their risk. JAMES ADGER & CO.,
feb18 1 Agents.

WEDLOCK—THE BASIS OF CIVIL SOCIETY.—Essays for Young Men, on the honor and happiness of Marriage, and the evils and dangers of Celibacy, with sanitary help for the attainment of man's true position in life. Sent free in sealed envelopes. Address HOWARD ASSOCIATION, Box P, Philadelphia, Pa.
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"There is no member of society by whom this book will not be found useful, whether such person holds the relation of Parent Preceptor or Clergyman."—Medical Times and Gazette.

Sent by mail on receipt of fifty cents. Address the Author, Dr. E. DEF. CURTIS, Washington, D. C.
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Special Notices.

TO THE PUBLIC.—AS AN erroneous impression prevails among my friends that I am still connected with other parties in business, I desire to state that I am sole proprietor of the business now conducted under my name. The connection of Mr. C. H. SAMMIS with my establishment, as bookkeeper, ceased on November 1st, 1869. EDWARD PERRY,
Bookseller and Stationer,
No. 155 Meeting street,
feb18 fmw3 Opposite Charleston Hotel.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—AT A SPECIAL Meeting of Charleston Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, held last evening, the Company passed a resolution *fully endorsing* the action of their Foreman, Mr. JOSEPH HILTON, denying admission to a seat in the Board of Firemasters of the representatives of three (3) companies, which the Board had themselves declared were unnecessary appendages to the Department.
THOS. H. BLACKWELL, Secretary,
feb18 1 Charleston H. and L. Co., No. 1.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SOUTH CAROLINA DISTRICT—IN EQUITY.—P. & S. GREEN vs. THE BANK OF GEORGETOWN, ET AL.—In pursuance of an order in the above stated case to me directed, by the Hon. George S. Bryan, United States Judge of and for the District aforesaid, notice is hereby given to all creditors holding claims against the said Bank of Georgetown, to prove them before me, at Charleston, on or before the first day of March, A. D., 1870, or be forever barred of the benefit of the decree in this cause. DANIEL HORLBECK,
Clerk of the District Court of the U. S.,
dec24 f11 For South Carolina District.

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