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great advantage to the owners. Taxes which are now so high would not be near so burdensome, because their distribution would be equitable. But unfortunately, unless by Legislation, we can't expect immediate relief from this source. Lands were returned last year and assessed by their Equalizing Board, in our opinion, at an immoderately low price, which is required by law to be done only every four years. The Legislature can order new returns to be taken and a new assessment, which, if carried out properly, would make operative our last suggestion.

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Except to Shake the Prices DOWN a Little.

MY Stock this year is very large, and consists of everything needed in the county. I have just returned from the Northern Markets, where I bought my goods in such large quantities as to get the very lowest prices, and I expect to sell them at corresponding figures. My salesmen will be found polite and attentive, and every effort will be made to give my customers satisfaction. Of course I cannot, in this space give anything like a list of the goods I keep, but whatever you wish, anything, just call at my store, and in nearly every instance you will find what you want. No other store in the State keeps as large a stock of General Merchandise as I do.

FAMILY GROCERIES.

MY Stock of FAMILY GROCERIES has been selected with unusual care and my customers will find them to be the Best. It is useless for me to attempt to enumerate what I have in this line—what you wish, I have. I buy bacon by the 10,000 pounds, and at lowest market prices. A large supply of FAMILY SOAP on hand. Try a barrel of ACME FLOUR—THE BEST MADE.

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A very large stock of all grades and prices. Smoke the SWEET VIOLET Cigar—the best 5c. cigars in the world. The PRINCE DAVID is also a very fine cigar.

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Prices—Hair Cutting, 25c.; Shaving, 10c.; Shampooing, 25c.

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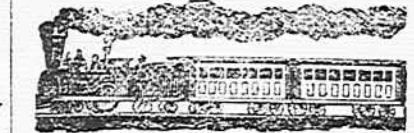
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CHARLESTON, S. C., June 20, 1886.

ON AND AFTER THIS DATE THE following Schedule will be run:

Table with columns: Leave Charleston, No. 43, 12:05 P. M.; Arrive Florence, No. 43, 4:10 P. M.; Arrive Florence, No. 47, 4:11 A. M.; Arrive Florence, No. 49, 1:35 A. M.; Arrive Charleston, No. 49, 11:05 P. M.; Arrive Charleston, No. 42, 5:00 A. M.; Arrive Charleston, No. 42, 4:5 P. M.; Nos. 40 and 47 will stop at way stations. Nos. 42 and 43 will stop at all stations. No. 40 will stop at Kingstree, Lanes and Monk's Corner.

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Table with columns: 12:48 P. M. Ar. Newberry, S. C. Lv. 3:04 P. M. 2:42 " " " " " " " " 6:30 " " " " " " " " 4:47 " " " " " " " " 3:35 " " " " " " " " 4:10 " " " " " " " " 3:20 " " " " " " " " 7:10 " " " " " " " "

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