S. A. NETTLES, Editor.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 1888.

Manning Academy Commencement. The largest crowd that has ever assemexhibition at the close of the nineteenth in town. session. The lower hall of the Academy was packed, and a number of persons outside could not gain admittance, but the windows all being open, those outside could see and hear most of the exercises. The following dience:

SONG OF WELCOME-CHORUS-School. SAVED BY A DREAM-CHARADE-Misses Loi-Harvin, and Harvey Mitchum.
SALUTATORY—Eddie Wolkoviskie.

MONEY MAKES THE MARE GO-Willie Con-

THE PUREST PEASL-Miss Mary Anna

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TEMPERANCE ADDRESS-Mood Connor. Advice to Boys-John Bowman. A SMALL Boy's CHANCE—Joe Kalisky. TRUE ELOQUENCE—Fred Lesesne. TIS SWEET WHEN CLOUDLESS SUNS ARISE-

Trio-Misses Galluchat, Lesesne, and Rhodus. PROGRESS OF AMERICA—Eddie McClellan. TWENTY YEARS AGO—Miss Maud Davis. FATE OF VIRGINIA—Miss Leila Galluchat.

THE SILVEE PLATE—Miss Belle Galluchat.
INTERRUPTED RECTEATION—Miss Lillian Benbow and Claude Lesesne.
The Whistle—Melvin Wolkoviskie.

BUT A BROOM-SONG-Misses Lillian Benbow, Belle Galluchat, Bessie Galluchat, Tillie Wolkoviskie. How HE SAVED ST. MICHELS-Miss Susie

VACATION-Miss Bessie Galluchat. BOARDING SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS CHARADE-Misses Maud Davis and Mattie Rhodus, Charley Harvin, and Bryant Hen-

GOOD NIGHT-CHORUS-School.

ranged in a pyramidal form, to sing the burden, in addition to the hard work and opening chorus. Then followed the charade. After the charade, Mr. Nettles an- the United States. Cleveland and Thurnonnced that at the beginning of the ses- man are our standard bearers, and will be ders drawn by me to be charged against my sion a gold medal had been offered to the elected next fall. South Carolina will cer- salary and had not been made out in propone who would best acquit himself in the tainly contribute her nine electoral votes. annual exhibition, but there were certain conditions for competing for the prize: each student must be prompt during the session, once about every three weeks, to have his recitations ready at the proper and designated times for approval and to read it to a teacher; to know it when he came to rehearse; and to be ready at the proper time to speak it on the rostrum. Only those who had fulfilled these conditions were given recitations at this exhibition, to compete for the prize. The prize was to be awarded to the one who should do best, taking into consideration the age of the student. The For sale by Dinkins & Co. following committee was requested to act as judges, to determine who was entitled to the medal: Dr. P. M. Salley, and Messrs. L I Bagnal, Louis Appelt, H. A. Lowry, and P. B. Thames. After hearing the reci-tations, the committee was conducted to the upper hall of the academy, where it was de-cided that Miss Leila Galluchat had done best, and was entitled to the medal. Mr.

Appelt presented the prize.

The entire programme was well executed, there being no balks anywhere. The credit of this exhibition is almost entirely due to Mrs. S. A. Nettles and Miss Josie McLean. The stage was beautifully arranged for the

THOMPSON LITERARY SOCIETY.

Thursday evening was the time for the anniversary exercises of the Thompson Literary Society, and the hall was filled with an attentive and inter The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. H. M. Mood. Miss Leila Galluchat recited with much expression and in an attractive way a selection in poetry. Misses Susie Lesesne and Maud Davis each read essays well written and carefully prepared.

Messrs. Fred Lesesne and Charles R. Harvin,

Jr., on the affirmative, and Charendon Baror no the amrinance, and Clarendon Barron and Edward McClellan, on the negative, then debated the question, "Was the abolition of slavery a blessing or a curse to the South?" Their arguments gave evidence of considerable thought and preparation, and were very creditable to the young gentlemen and to the Academy. Mr. Harvey W. Mitchum then delivered the anniversary His speech was received with con-

siderable applause by the audience.

B. Pressley Barron, Esq., who had presided over the deliberations of the society. the young people who had taken part in for making ice. the exercises, delivered, in his own elegant style, a chaste and thought-provoking address on evolution in literature. He spoke easily and freely, and held the rapt attention of the audience, as they listened to his clear argument, chaste language, and round-

Before Mr. Barron began his speech he anounced to the Society that he had receiv-ed from Hon. Geo. W. Dargan a letter expressing regret that he was unable to be pesent at the exercises of the evening.

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS. The first honor prize, a gold medal, inscribed, "MANNING ACADEMY, FIRST HONOR, JUNE 1888," was won by Miss and generate disease. A harmless Frank Hodge, a student in the higher department. Mr. Harvey W. Mitchum was a healthy tone. The best purifyer department. Mr. Harvey W. Alitchum was very close in the race for this honor, falling behind only three hundredths of one mark or almost an inappreciable difference. He was awarded the collegiate department prize. Miss Lillian Benbow won the intermediate department prize, and Master Ed. mediate department prize, and Master Edmediate department prize, and Master Eddie Wolkoviskie the primary department prize. The punctuality prize was won by Master Johnnie Lessene, he having been absent only two days out of the year. The gold medal awarded the preceding night to Miss Leila Galluchat for declamation, was inscribed: "MANNING ACADEMY, ORATORY JUNE 1888 TORY, JUNE 1888.

The following received honorable mention in connection with distinctions: Frank Hodge, Harvey Mitchum, Bryant Henderson, Mary Anna Davis, Tillie Wolkoviskie, Claude Lessene, Eddie McClellan, Edilian Benbow, Susie Lessene, Belle Galone bottle of S. S. S., and very soon I Lillian Benbow, Susie Lessene, Belle Galluchat, Willie Connor, Mattie Rhodus, Leila Galluchat, Melvin Wolkoviskie, Maud Davis; Bassie Galluchat, Fred Lessene, Callie McComforters." Now not a sign of my Faddin, Arthur Skipper, Charley Harvin, affliction can be seen."

Clarendon Barron. Clarendon Barron.

This closed the regular exercises, after which teachers, students, and guests all united in a social reception, which lasted always builds me up, giving me appearance. till nearly two o'clock.

both evenings.

The next session of the Academy will open Sept. 3rd. Mrs. E. C. Nettles Als-

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Some say one man and some another, but several times its weight in gold." since the opening up of that tremendous stock of summer goods at the Bogin old stand in Sumter, Ferdinand Levi is the Solicitor. He solicits your patronage, for his stock is large and must be sold.

Mr. Tillman has a long letter on our first page.

Rev. Henry M. Mood last Sunday just before dismissing the congregation declared, in no feeble language, his opposition to whisky, its sale and countenance in this town. He said that on the church members of this place lay the onus of removing the barrooms from our town, and that the churches were very largely responsible for the sale of whisky. The bled at the Academy, gathered there last remarks, he said, were called forth by a ru-Wednesday evening to witness the annual mor that another barroom was to be opened

Numerous pension frauds are reported from Columbia. A number of women in various parts of the State have been drawing pay because, though they have married programme was distributed among the au- again since their soldier-husbands died, yet having outlived both husbands; and it being to their pecuniary advantage to do so, they claim to be widows of their first husla Galluchat and Susie Lesesne, Charley bands. The Pension Board very properly calls this a fraud, and threatens prosecution. Clarendon county, we are glad to say, has no such claimants.

It is said that soda water, etc., is sold on Sunday in the tent on the court house square. If such be the case, it is a violation of the laws of God and man, and calculated to prove demoralizing to our younger population. It is bad enough in large cities, where we naturally expect to find crime in all its worse forms, to allow the sale of such things, but in a rural town like Manning, it is an eyesore to a large part of our populalation. If anything is being sold in that TROUBLES OF ARITHMETIC-Abie Wolko- tent on Sunday, the powers that be should

No body of men could have been more hermonious than was the recent Democratic National Convention. The nomination of paid the sum of \$894.25. \$33 to S. J. Bow-Cleveland was, before the convention met, an accepted fact. He has by his straightforward, unswerving course retained the love of his friends, and commanded the admiration and respect of his enemies. His re-election is a foregone conclusion. Thurman is said to be a grand old man, and to have unusual political strength and influ-Most of the students were on the stage ar- ence, but seventy-six years is rather a heavy On our first page will be found full particulars of the proceedings of the conven-

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-As a rule, editors are kind-hearted and liberal. An exchange tells of a subscriber oration, taking for his subject, the love of to a certain paper who died and left fourteen years unpaid. The editor appeared at the grave as the lid was being screwed down the last time and put in a linen duster, a then, after a few complimentary remarks to thermometer, a palm-leaf fan and a receipt

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Mr. M. S. Hamlin, Winston, N. C. tite and digestion, and enabling me to The Manning string band, composed of Messrs. Geo. Hammell, Warren Dickson, and the hot summer days. On using and Eddie Burgess, furnished the music it I soon become strong of body and easy of mind."

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A CARD.

Mr. Editor:-In the issue of the Times of May 23rd the Presentment of the Grand Jury appeared, wherein certain statements were embodied utterly inconsistent and at variance with the real facts, and calculated to do me great injury among those who may not understand the animus which inspired these unfounded aspersions upon my official integrity.

These gentlemen of the Grand Jury with seeming sense of the county's interest at heart, and a deplorable ignorance of its affairs, and with an utter disregard for the honor and good name of myselt, have false-ly garbled statements, facts and figures pertaining to the business of the School Commissioner during my incumbency of that office; and with an apparent object of throttling truth and justice have presented me with inaccuracy and negligence in my conduct of the business of my office and with having used money in excess of the salary allowed by law, without having given me any notification of what was being done. that I might have had the poor privilege of making an explanation which could and

To show the conspicuous fallibility of these "Star Chamber" gentlemen only witness the glaring inconsistency apparent upon the face of the Presentment itself.
In paragraph "3" they say that I (J. J.

would have been gladly and satisfactorily

Conyers) collected \$667.00 and S. J. Bowman \$33.00 on account of salary for fiscal year 84-5 making a total of \$700.00 the amount allowed by law for compensation of School Commissioner. So far so good. They further say that on

Jan. 2, '85 I gave a draft in favor of W. D. Gamble on Treasurer for \$50.00 and a draft on April 24 '85 to M. Levi for the sum of \$144.25 together with an assignment in that amount to the latter of my salary as Sch'l Com. for said Fiscal Yr; that the amount of both of these drafts were ordered by me to be charged to account of Schl Com.'s salary." All of which is correct. Now these expert accountants work out the following remarkable and false results from the foregoing premises. "This shows that during Fiscal Year '84-5 and on account of Schl Comr's salary for that year there was man and \$861.25 to J. J. Conyers and others by his orders. No notice is made of the draft for \$50.00 or the draft and assignment of \$144.25 in either the Treasurer's or Schl Comr's report. Neither does any mention of either appear on Books of Treas. or Schl Comr."

Now, in no case have they, or could they show that these drafts were paid in addition to the \$700 allowed, beyond their bare assertion contradicted by their own preceding statement. I simply made out my whole account allowed me, at the end of the worry of the duties of the vice-president of Fiscal Yr; including in the \$700 the drafts in favor of Messis. Levi and Gamble as before stated. These drafts were simple orer form and approved and therefore had not, nor could have had, any place on the Books of either the Treas, or Schl Comr. But the Treas, did give himself credit for the account of my year's salary, when made out in the right form, which became his proper and only voucher making his entry correct. The very small negligence (and the only one brought to bear) is the omission on my part to take credit on my books for the salary allowed me. Where persons are not apt to commit errors of this kind as against themselves as I did in not taking the credit allowed, any person of ordinary comprehension will at once see how far from criminal this act is found, more especially when all the regular vouchers were there to show to any one wishing to know the real facts as they existed.

I first deducted amount of my salary and contingent expenses allowed by law and made my apportionment of the balance of school fund as the law directs, not deeming it necessary to credit the Treasurer with fund not included in the general fund subject to my warrants, I thought, and still think, the vouchers filed in his office at the end of fiscal year for whole amount of my salary sufficient credit in favor of Treasurer when properly accounted on his books.

The omission, if a mistake at all was a mistake as against myself and not against the County's interest

In paragraph 14 of Presentment I am charged with having omitted to carry forward and charge against the Treasurer upthis charge I refer any person, not wilfully blind, to the book itself, where it will appear that this allegation is equally false with the others.

There is a slight discrepency of 42 cents between the amount as calculated by the Jury and the amount so carried forward on the book of the office. Only this and nothing more. I am further charged with hav-ing paid \$8 school claim in Fiscal Year '24-5 to W. I. Conyers and failed to give credit on my book. This statement is so totally and palpably false, that any fair minded person cannot fail to regard it as a wilful, fingrant and inexcusable perversion of the truth; 1st. Because the account is dated Nov. 20, 1886, and approved Nov. 20 1886, and does not belong to Fiscal Year '84-5, but to Fiscal

2nd. Because entry of same is properly made upon the book in a large round and legible hand.

3rd. Because I am reliably informed by present Schl Com'r that he showed the Grand Jury the entry of this item and explained to them that it was properly accounted for.

The Grand Jury in paragraph 14 further says: "Furthermore in Fiscal Year '84-5 the Treasurer paid on Schl claim for Dist. No. 9 \$16.45 in excess of the amount apportioned for that District." This last statement is not only untrue, but on the contrary the apportionment for Schl Dist. No. 9 was not exhausted in Fiscal Year 84-5. A reference to my books for Fiscal Year 85-6 will show the sum of \$90.27 brought forward from preceding 84-5 as an unexpended balance from School Dist. No. 9.

In the way of a censure of me this immaccheck, warrant &c. issued from the office of Schl Comr. etc. This merely as an opinion is not likely to be highly valued when it emanates from abody who must hereafter be proverbial in the County for incapacity and spiteful malice. The law does require du-plicates as such veuchers in the Commissioner's Office and in no case have I omitted

The paper (purporting to be a check) referred to as "C" was a warrant in favor of R. O. Purdy for services as a member of Board of Examiners.

Having said all conceived to be necessary to vindicate myself from the implied aspersion against my official probity, I leave the matter with the discriminating public and am altogether willing to abide their verdict believing they will do me full justice; and that those persons to whose interest it might be to promote and propagate these false statements against me, will be "hoisted by their own petards" when the public can once see the milk in the coacoanut.

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