

A new depot is being erected at St. Paul.

The Board of Equalization meets next Monday.

The postoffice is temporarily located in the store recently occupied by Alexander as a jewelry store, next Brown & Co.'s drug store.

One of the most popular resorts in Summerton is Rutledge & Tindal's furniture store. Their stock of furniture is carefully selected, and all tastes can be suited.

We hear that whiskey is largely sold in this town every Sunday, principally by negroes, who obtain their supply the night before, done up in convenient sized packages to suit the wants of their customers.

There is a rumor that two barrels of whiskey will be opened on the street on election day to be free to all who are supporters of a prospective barroom ticket. Will the colored men sell their votes for a drink of whiskey?

A warrant was issued some time ago by Trial Justice Benbow, for the arrest of H. L. Slawson, formerly of this county, charged with obtaining goods under false pretenses from Smyth & Adger of Charleston. Slawson was arrested last Saturday in Orangeburg county, and gave bond in the sum of five hundred dollars for his appearance before Trial Justice Benbow at Manning the 5th day of April for a preliminary hearing.

We take the liberty of calling the attention of the town authorities to the open violation in this town of town, State, and Divine laws, by persons keeping their stores open on Sundays for the purpose of selling goods. Every Sunday persons on their way to church are confronted with the disgraceful and open defiance of the law by certain merchants in this town, and last Sunday when people should have had their thoughts on more solemn things, the store with the brick front was open and in full blast with a crowd of negroes inside, and a still larger crowd on the sidewalk indulging in loud and boisterous conduct. The attention of the police was called to what seemed to be a row inside, and one of them entered and found a negro by the name of Phelps drunk and using loud oaths about some transaction he had just had. The disturbing party was arrested and put in the lock-up, but the question is who is to blame for all this disturbance. Is it the poor ignorant negro, or ought the parties that openly defy the laws of man and God be held responsible? In our judgment the town council should instruct their marshals that whenever they find persons selling goods on Sunday, to immediately arrest them and let the council make them show cause why they should not be severely punished. The store with the brick front is not the only one that keeps open on Sunday, but there are others also, and they should be taught that it is against the law, and that all violators of the law regardless of who they are will be punished.

Mr. J. Elbert Davis, our county business agent, tells us that he is delivering guanoes every day, and that he is satisfied that his orders are now being rapidly filled.

Don't fail to visit DuRant & Belitzer's magnificent furniture store when in Sumter. They claim the finest furniture store of any county town in the State.

It is reported that Marion Brock, a well-to-do colored farmer living near Falloa, recently gave his 16-year-old son a brutal whipping, from which he is not expected to recover.

Fresh and genuine garden seeds at Dinkins & Co.'s drug store.

The pension checks have arrived, and the clerk of the court is now ready to furnish them to the parties entitled to receive them. There are forty-nine checks for this county, of \$12.61 each.

Buy your garden seed and onion sets at Dinkins & Co.'s drug store.

The board of stewards of the Manning Methodist church will have their regular monthly meeting next Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Important business is to be transacted, and a full board is desired.

M. Kalsky has just received 500 lbs. of Armour hams, which he will guarantee and sell at 8 cts. per lb. Also a fresh lot of Bologna.

Married at the residence of the groom's father, on the 27th inst., Mr. A. W. Thomas, Jr., and Miss Minnie Butler, daughter of Mr. Moses Butler. Trial Justice Mahoney officiated. The contracting parties reside at Silver.

J. C. Dinkins & Co. are agents for the celebrated Aqua-Crystal spectacles and eye glasses. Call and examine them.

Miss Maggie Higgins accidentally got a crochet needle broken off in her arm last Thursday. It penetrated the arm about two inches, and then broke off about a half inch below the skin. The needle had to be cut out.

Fresh lot of Garden Seed, all kinds, just received at Dr. Nettles' Drug Store, at Foreston.

Now is the time to clean up your premises and put everything in order for the coming summer. Whitewash should be applied freely, and all places where filth has accumulated should be thoroughly cleaned and lime and other disinfectants used.

Highest New York prices paid for all kinds of furs and hides (otter, fox, coon, mink) at M. Kalsky's.

THE MANNING TIMES job office printed last week ten thousand cards for Rev. E. H. Wilson, pastor of the A. M. E. Church in this place. These cards are to be sold at ten cents each, the proceeds to be used for building a more commodious church edifice in this town.

A valuable treatise on the care and preservation of the eyes given away to each one of our customers. Call and get one.

J. G. DINKINS & CO.

Louisville was last week visited by a terrible cyclone. The loss of life and property far exceeded that of Charleston during the earthquake, and is second only to the Johnstown flood of last year. The loss of life in Louisville alone is now fixed at 93, with 150 badly injured. Half as many more were killed in other towns in that State and in Tennessee. Millions of dollars of property was destroyed.

Do your eyes need help? If so call on J. G. Dinkins & Co. and be fitted with a pair of Aqua-Crystal spectacles or eye glasses.

Fire! Fire! Fire!

At about a quarter past ten o'clock Monday night the rapid ringing of the town bell and the cry of fire startled our citizens, many of whom had retired for the night, as is evidenced by the manner in which their garments were arranged when they appeared at the scene of the conflagration.

Walter Roof, a colored man in the employ of Mr. H. Weinberg, was first to discover the fire. He says that he and Mr. Richard Davis had just closed up, and on his way home, at Lowry's corner, he happened to look down towards Church street, when he noticed smoke about the post office. He called Mr. Davis and asked him what it meant. Discovering that the smoke was coming out of the post office they gave the alarm, and policeman Stokes immediately went to the market and rang the town bell.

When they reached the post office they saw no fire on the outside, but smoke was coming out of all the crevices, and the building was shaking "like a pot boiling." Some one burst in the delivery window, and the flames and smoke issued therefrom with such force as to cause the person to fall. An effort was made to get inside to save the contents, but it was impossible as the whole inside was on fire.

About a half hour before the alarm was given a gentleman was at the office mailing a letter, and he says he saw a light inside which he took to be a burning lamp, but saw no smoke, and did not think that the building was on fire.

We mentioned this circumstance to post master Stewart, and he says that he is positive that he left no light burning. He left the office at about 9 o'clock, and before leaving he looked his table over, blew out the lamp, and carried the star route mail home with him as was his custom.

Postmaster Stewart claims to be a heavy loser by the fire. He says that he had just collected up his money to make his regular quarterly report to the government, and does not remember precisely how much he was due the government, but the amount of cash left in his table drawer was in round numbers about one hundred and ninety dollars, of which amount ninety dollars was his and the rest belonged to the postal department. He also lost his law books, stationery, and other property, in fact all that the building contained was consumed by the flames. The building belonged to Mr. S. J. Bowman.

The other houses burned were known as "fried meat block," two of which were owned by Mr. N. Stanner, and the other two by Mr. J. W. McLeod. The first was occupied by Dan'l Washington as a green grocery; the second was a vacant store; next was the colored palace shaving saloon, the fixtures of which consisting of a soiled towel, cracked looking glass, dull razor, and rickety chair, were saved; and the last was a restaurant where persons could procure meals on the European plan, and at the same time give their nasal organs a chance to test their smelling powers without extra charge. None of the burned buildings were insured; hence the damage, which is estimated at about \$800, will be a total loss.

Fortunately the night was very calm, and by the hardest kind of work by both white and colored citizens the fire was gotten under control. If the wind had been blowing at the time it would have been almost impossible to have saved the residences of Messrs. Bowman and Iseman; also the stores of Messrs. Levi, Lowry, Weinberg, the Times office, and in fact a large portion of the business part of the town.

The origin of the fire is unknown and remains a mystery, and while it is very unfortunate for people to meet with pecuniary losses, yet the citizens of this town are much relieved that these unsightly, dangerous fire traps and pest holes are out of the way and no more damage done. More regrets are being expressed for the loss of the beautiful oaks that the loss of the houses.

The hook and ladder did valuable service on this occasion, but Manning needs a well organized company to manage the truck at fires, so that a commanding officer may be in charge and give the necessary orders, thus relieving the crowd that congregates at a fire from forming themselves into a committee of order-giving-and-no-work bosses.

Death of a Very Old Man.

Benedict A. Weinberg died at the residence of his son, Abram, on Pearl street, shortly after twelve o'clock yesterday morning. The old gentleman was in his ninety-first year, having been born in the village of Westcott, province of Westphalia, in the kingdom of Prussia, May 14, 1799. Mr. Weinberg's long life reads like a story, full of interesting adventures. His reminiscences of various persons and places, way back into the first part of this century, often afforded much entertainment to our people. His life was most remarkable. In 1814 when but 14 years of age, he joined the Prussian army and was engaged in the battle of Ligny. He was at Waterloo under the famous Blucher, and often would relate to us the details of that hard fought battle. He was also a schoolmate of Emperor William I, the grand-father of the present Emperor. Mr. Weinberg came to America in 1820 and has since then visited most of the States in the Union, besides Canada and the countries of South America. Years ago he traded with the frontiersmen and Indians on the overland route between St. Louis and Mexico. He resided many years in Charleston and came to Darlington about five years since. He was a member of the Masonic Order and also of many Hebrew societies. Six sons and two daughters survive him. His remains were interred in Charleston.—Darlington News.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by taking Dr. J. C. Dinkins' Catarrh Remedy.

Dr. J. C. Dinkins & Co., Props., T. P. O. O. We, the undersigned, have known E. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm. West & Travis, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

WALDEN, KISSAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

E. H. W. HOBBS, Cashier Toledo National Bank, Toledo, O.

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LEVI BROTHERS, Sumter, S. C.

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