

LEVI BROTHERS, SUMTER, S. C.

In soliciting a continuance of the extensive patronage we are enjoying from the people of Clarendon, we wish to inform the trading public that our buyer has recently returned from market and was fortunate enough to make his contracts before the recent "boost" in prices.

We are prepared to supply the trade with all manner and kinds of General Merchandise at prices to defy competition and at the same time give to the buyer the quality.

**Foreign and Domestic
Dry Goods, Dress Goods,
Trimmings, Notions,
Fancy Goods, Clothing,
Shoes, Hats, Gent's
Furnishings and Groceries.**

In all of these lines we propose to satisfy the public demand, and we ask that you come to Sumter and inspect our stock.

REMEMBER

That we are in touch with the exporters of cotton and we can and will pay the very highest market prices for the fleecy staple. Our store has earned a reputation as headquarters for farmers and we propose to keep it up.

LEVI BROTHERS.

**Cotton is Fluctuating
Goods Are Cheap.**

**I Will Sell and Do Not Propose to Carry Over
Any Fall Goods.**

With such a condition of affairs, the business man is put to his trumps to study out the most effective way of meeting the people and sharing their burdens, to remedy the bad effects caused by any turn in affairs which operate adversely to the people. It is unnecessary to introduce myself to the readers of The Times, they know me, and they know full well that my many years of experience, both as a farmer and a merchant, give me a decided advantage over many others. I have used my experience that it may count for the best interests of my business. In doing this I had to study the needs and wants of my patrons, studying their condition as well as their welfare, because upon their welfare depends my success. Every business man, to keep up with the progressive spirit now pervading this country must study the markets just as a lawyer or doctor must study his books. This must be done or he cannot buy his goods to meet competition.

I have made deals by which I can sell goods at prices that cannot be duplicated anywhere, and I am going to do it. A visit to my store will convince any buyer that my immense stock has been selected with the greatest care, and contains everything that can be used in the family, or on the plantation.

There is no store in this section of the State that has a more varied assortment of Foreign and Domestic

**Dress Goods, Notions, Fancy
Goods, Trimmings, Clothing,
Hats, Gents, Furnishing Goods,
Shoes, Hardware and Cutlery.**

Sadlery, Harness, Crockery, Glassware, Wood and Willoware.

Dress Making Department Up-Stairs.

My Grocery Department is thorough and complete; I buy direct by the car load from the best mills and packers. Sugars, Coffees, Teas, and everything in the Grocery line in such quantities purchased to give my patrons the advantage of wholesale figures and can save my patrons money. I am paying all the market will permit for cotton and in a position this year to make it advantageous for the people to bring their cotton to Manning. I solicit a continuance of past favors.

YOURS TRULY,

J. W. McLeod.

ROYAL WELCOME TO DEWEY IN NEW YORK

Two Days' Celebration In the
Admiral's Honor.

LAND AND NAVAL PARADE

Scores of Ships Make the Latter the
Grandest Marine Pageant Ever Seen
In America and State Troops Contribute
to the Former's Success.

New York, Sept. 29.—There was a grand naval parade up the Hudson river Friday, in honor of Admiral Dewey, who arrived from Manila Tuesday. People of national prominence were aboard the various vessels in the procession. Nothing occurred to mar the pageant, which elapsed anything of the kind ever witnessed in these waters, the scene of many splendid maritime displays.

At 10 o'clock sharp the squadron got under way. It was an inspiring moment when the column started up the harbor and the great naval parade began to be a reality.

First came the police boat Patrol, which was the apex of a wedge spreading out to the floats of New York and Van Wyck, which followed abreast. The steamer Sandy Hook, which carried the mayor and representatives of the city of New York, with standards of the city flying from fore and aft masts, steamed alongside the Olympia, the flagship of Admiral Dewey, on the port side.

After the Olympia came the armored cruiser New York, the flagship of Rear Admiral Sampson, with her big turrets and guns appearing like a moving fortress as she followed in the wake of the admiral's ship. The Chicago brought up the rear of the column. Following the New York were the two first-class battleships Indiana and Massachusetts.

In the rear of these modern engines of war came over 300 vessels of all sorts and sizes. There were sidewheelers, propellers, electric boats and every kind except a sailing vessel.

The procession moved without a hitch and at 2:30 p. m. the Olympia reached her anchorage off Grant's tomb, where Admiral Dewey reviewed the parade. At 5 o'clock the parade was dismissed.

At night there was a magnificent fireworks display. All vehicles, excepting the cars, were excluded from Brooklyn bridge, so that the roadways could be used by pedestrians to see the fireworks.

The feature of the second day's celebration was an imposing band parade, in which over 300 troops from various states of the Union took part, besides numerous leading civilians.

Admiral Dewey was wildly cheered by the thousands all along the line of the procession, which he reviewed on reaching the triumphal arch, a costly affair erected at the intersection of Broadway and Fifth avenue.

Rear Admiral Schley divided the honors with the central figure of the day, and the parade was a demonstration second only to that of Dewey.

Earlier in the day a beautiful loving cup, the gift of the city of New York, was presented to the admiral.

NEAL'S SHORTAGE PAID UP.

Bondsmen of the Colonel Send In
Their Checks.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 30.—The shortage of Colonel Neal, so far as his three bondsmen are liable, has been paid. Colonel Willie Jones, cashier of the Carolina National bank, sent the attorney general his check for \$837.47, and P. H. Hattaway and W. Scott Pope, the other bondsmen, did likewise.

This pays for the money and articles actually misappropriated by Colonel Neal. The total amount charged against Colonel Neal is \$11,600, but the Carolina bank cashed worthless notes for a part of the amount and bears the loss.

The action of the bondsmen in paying the amount of Colonel Neal was for the short while not help him in the criminal prosecution which is to be brought against him, but on the other hand it makes the case against him all the stronger, as the payment by his bondsmen is an acknowledgment of his malfeasance, for which they are held responsible by the terms of the bond.

But by paying the amount of \$3,812.47, the bondsmen have undoubtedly been being sued, and if suit were brought and judgment obtained against them it would be for the full amount of the bond, \$30,000. Whether judgment could be obtained on the bond or not, the bondsmen evidently did not wish to be sued.

SLEW WIFE AS SHE SLEPT.

A Most Atrocious Murder Committed
at Trion, Ala.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 29.—News of one of the most atrocious wife murders that has been reported in this state in some years comes from Trion, Ala. Nelson Erskine, a negro, who was raised in the community, broke into the house and room occupied by his wife, Berta Erskine, and another negro woman, and cut his wife's throat with a sharp, gashing it with a razor from ear to ear.

The other woman was awakened and witnessed the murder, although afraid to give the alarm.

Erskine and his wife have quarreled recently and have lived apart for some months.

After committing the crime Erskine stole a horse and escaped. He is still at large.

Advance In Cotton Prices.

MEMPHIS, Sept. 28.—The continued advance in cotton spots and futures has made the local market exceedingly lively and firm. The sales yesterday were 3,800 bales and spots closed at an advance of one-fourth of a cent, making middling 6 1/2. In November, last year, middling cotton sold here at 4 1/2, the advance at present being three cents.

Since Aug. 17, October futures in New York have advanced 92 points, and within the past ten days the advance has been 71 points.

Presbyterians at Clemson.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 28.—The South Carolina presbytery, a gathering of an unusually large body of brainy men, is in session at Clemson college. Dr. W. W. Woodrow, the noted divine of evolution fame, who is president of the Central National bank of this city, was unanimously elected moderator, and he preached the opening sermon. Hon. J. E. B. Pickett was elected clerk.

The sessions promise to be interesting.

Early Frost Works Havoc.

ROSELAND, Miss., Sept. 28.—A slight frost prevailed throughout this vicinity last night, killing vegetation and destroying the hopes of any top cotton crop. The cotton crop has been cut fully 50 per cent short through the killing frost. The frost is the earliest known in years. Notwithstanding the shortage in the crop the farmers are all wearing a broad smile on the advance in cotton.

Polytechnic Institute Open.

AUBURN, Ala., Sept. 28.—The Alabama Polytechnic institute has opened with 333 students in attendance at the present date, representing besides the different counties of the state the following states: Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Ohio. This roll indicates that it will be increased to 400 by Jan. 1, next.

STATE BANKS FLOURISHING.

Report of Treasurer Speer Shows an
Increased Business.

ATLANTA, Sept. 28.—The report of State Treasurer Speer, which is now being completed, and will soon be in the hands of Governor Candler, shows a remarkable increase, not only in the number of state banks in Georgia, but in the business they have done in the last year.

By a comparison with the statement of 1899, it is seen that the volume of business has increased \$4,565,376.12, the showing being the best ever made by the state.

Last year there were 119 state banks in Georgia, while this year there are 139, showing an increase of 20 banks during that time.

The total resources of all the state banks aggregate \$37,877,833.70. The figures also show a cash on hand at the present time of \$2,841,088.75. The total liabilities of all the banks is put down at exactly the figure as that of the total resources.

INTERESTING CASE ARGUED.

An Insurance Company Desires to
Quit the North State.

RALEIGH, Sept. 28.—Before Judge Moore, at chambers here yesterday, a very interesting case was heard. The legislature, at its last session, enacted what is known as the Craig law, requiring that all corporations chartered in other states shall demonstrate themselves here and then surrender all right to transfer suits from state to federal courts.

This law was ratified in January. In March an insurance law was ratified, known as the Willard act. A New York life insurance company, which under the Craig law, desires to withdraw, but the secretary of state holds that he has no power to permit withdrawal.

The company argues that the Willard act repeals the Craig act, so far as insurance companies are concerned.

VERDICT TO BE SET ASIDE.

Father of a Lynched Negro Seeks to
Recover Damages.

CHARLOTTE, Oct. 2.—Lawrence Brown, an innocent negro, was accused of incendiarism in Orangeburg county in 1897, and discharged by request of the prosecutor and subsequently lynched at Stilton station. Under the clause of the new state constitution and subsequent legislative acts, the father of Brown seeks the county of Orangeburg for \$10,000 damages.

It was the first case under the new law and attracted general attention throughout the country. At the first trial, in September, 1898, the verdict was for the defendant county, the judge holding that the act only applied in cases where prisoners were taken from officers and lynched. The state supreme court reversed this opinion and the case was called again in court at Orangeburg.

The testimony proving the lynching was overwhelming, though one of the county's lawyers, in spite of the fact that Brown's body was riddled with bullets and his hands and feet tied, claimed that the negro had committed suicide. The jury in half an hour returned a verdict in favor of the county.

Notice has been given of a motion to set aside the verdict on the ground that it is a miscarriage of justice, and the judge has granted the motion so far as to order that the act will be approved by the best citizens of Orangeburg county.

TERMINAL COMPANY WINS.

Atlantic, Valdosta and Western Is
Barred From Jacksonville.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 2.—Judge Call, in the circuit court, has rendered his decision in the case of the railroad commission against the Jacksonville Terminal company, by which the motion to quash the writ of mandamus was granted.

This decision, which has been awaited for several days, was received as a victory for the Terminal company in its fight against the order of the railroad commission by which the petition of the Atlantic, Valdosta and Western Railway company for admission to the rights and facilities of the terminal property in this city was refused.

This practically bars the railroad from coming into the terminal station, unless subsequent proceeding by appeal, which will be taken to the supreme court of the state, shall change the situation.

The constitutionality of the railroad commission law enacted by the last legislature was not involved in the decision.

STATE PURCHASES FARMS.

North Carolina Settles the Convict
Labor Question.

RALEIGH, Oct. 2.—The last legislature directed that \$35,000 in bonds be issued for the purchase of farms to be operated by convicts. Last month the state bought the Caledonia farm of 7,200 acres on the Roanoke river, for \$65,000, and now it decides to buy the Azon farm, near Wadesboro, for \$21,000.

The purchase of these farms, which had been leased for several years, settles the question as to how the convict labor can be employed profitably outside the penitentiary. As few convicts as possible will be employed inside, only feeble ones, United States prisoners and women.

ATLANTA WANTS DEWEY.

A Committee to Formally Invite the
Admiral South.

ATLANTA, Oct. 2.—During the reception to Admiral Dewey in Washington this week, a committee from the chamber of commerce, the municipal council and the Business Men's league of Atlanta will present him a formal invitation on behalf of the city and the south to be here at the same time that Lieutenant Brumby, who is a Georgian, comes on a visit to his family and relatives.

Rear Admiral Schley has already accepted an invitation to come, and an effort will be made to have the three naval heroes here at the same time.

Minister Scores Politicians.

ORANTANOOGA, Oct. 2.—Dr. Alonzo Monk, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, south, preached a sensational sermon last night, in which he roundly scored the regular Democratic and Republican municipal tickets, declaring that the majority of candidates for city offices on both tickets are either saloon-keepers, barkeepers or avowed friends of the saloons. In referring to saloon-keepers "scoundrels," "bums," "agents of hell," etc., were used.

A Department of History.

GAFFNEY, S. C., Oct. 2.—The trustees of Limestone college have determined to establish as a feature of their institution a department of history, in which, without neglecting other branches of the subject, particular attention will be paid to the history of the southern states. It is proposed to have a Limestone college a center of historical investigation.

A Big Deal in Ore Land.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Oct. 2.—The Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke company has acquired iron ore property in Craig and Allegheny counties, Va., to the extent of \$600,000. The company has also an option on 25,000 acres of mining land near the West Virginia line. The company now has eight furnaces in blast.

FAKE COTTON QUOTATIONS.

New Orleans Exchange Suspends Busi-
ness Temporarily.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 29.—Intense excitement prevailed on the Cotton Exchange today and the directors of the exchange have met and suspended business. The New York market was closed today and the only quotations to come this morning to guide the local investors were from Liverpool.

The market had opened when the operators became paralyzed by the advice that clicked from over the ocean. It showed futures jumping in leaps and bounds. In half an hour the reports showed that the Liverpool market had jumped nearly 1 cent.

At 10 o'clock a meeting of the directors was called and prompt action was taken suspending all business.

While the telegraph wires were bringing the news of the leaps and bounds at Liverpool private cables to prominent local cotton firms were bearing the news that there had been little or no change from yesterday in the Liverpool market.

This once raised the suspicions of the operators and caused the hasty meeting of the directors.

The directors officially announce that today's suspension is due to fraud.

The exchange declared all contracts in future null and void. This action was taken on the advice of E. D. Sanders, counsel for the exchange, who said that all contracts made this day having been based on false reports from Liverpool as to price, the contract was null and void and the contract was therefore void.

Cotton exchanges in cities throughout the south were upset by the fraudulent quotations and many dealers suffered heavy losses. These threats to contest the matter in the courts.

GARTER GOES TO PRISON.

Verdict of the Court Martial Approved
by President McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—Captain Oberlin M. Carter, who was convicted by court martial of misappropriating government funds while in charge of the harbor improvements at Savannah, Ga., is sentenced to five years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$5,000. This sentence was approved by the president today. Captain Carter is now at Governor's island under arrest and the sentence will begin immediately.

The verdict of the court was as follows:

"And the court does therefore sentence the accused, Captain Oberlin M. Carter, corps of engineers, U. S. A., to five years' imprisonment, to pay a fine of \$5,000, to be confined at hard labor at such place as the proper authority may direct for five years and the crime, punishment, name and place of abode of the accused to be published in the newspapers in and about the station and the state from which the accused came or where he usually resides."

Following is the formal approval of the verdict:

"The findings of the court martial in the matter of the foregoing proceedings against Captain Oberlin M. Carter, corps engineers, U. S. A., are hereby approved as to all except the following: Charges 11, specifications 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 23, which are disapproved. And the sentence imposed by the court martial upon the defendant, Oberlin M. Carter, is hereby approved."

DEAF MUTE SCHOOL BURNS.

Arkansas Institute Completely De-
stroyed by Fire.

LITTLE ROCK, Sept. 30.—The deaf mute institute, one of the state's great institutions, was completely destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock this morning. The fire originated from a scuttle of ashes set on the wooden porch connecting the main building and the girls' dormitory, and spread so rapidly that the 38 inmates escaped only in their night clothing and two were rescued from fourth story windows by the firemen.

Nothing whatever was saved and all personal effects of the officers and the teachers were lost. The loss to the state is estimated at \$150,000 and to private parties at \$10,000. There was not a cent of insurance on the property, the legislature having refused to make an appropriation for that purpose.

Fire at Phenix City, Ala.

COLUMBIA, Ga., Sept. 30.—Fire has destroyed ten houses in Phenix City and the loss is half covered by insurance. The fire originated in the residence occupied by J. L. Moon, in the heart of the town, from a defective flue, and it is not known for the help of the Columbia fire department several blocks might have been swept. This makes the second fire that Phenix City has had lately, and quite a vigorous move is on in that town for fire protection.

Atlanta to Honor Brumby.

ATLANTA, Sept. 30.—The committee of citizens which has in charge the arrangements for the public reception to Flag Lieutenant Brumby of the Olympia have communicated with him and as soon as he names a time to be here, preparations for the reception of the hero from the people of Georgia, his native state, will be made.

Idle Furnaces to Resume.

ANNISTON, Ala., Sept. 30.—Captain G. B. Busb, president of the Alabama Consolidated Iron and Coal company, in an interview states that the furnace at Ironport, which is being relined, will be in blast in about ten days, and the other Ironport furnace and the one at Gadsden in about 10 days.

Dead at the Age of 119.

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn., Sept. 30.—"Aunt" Peggy Watt, the oldest negro woman in the county, and probably the oldest in the state, died in the southern portion of this county yesterday. She was 119 years of age and leaves a daughter 80 years old and healthy.

To Combine Southern Mills.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 29.—The Manufacturers' Record of this week announces the organization in New York of a syndicate composed of some of the leading capitalists and bankers of that city in connection with leading southern bankers, to purchase and combine a large number of southern cotton mills.

The syndicate proposes to purchase outright and pay cash for good southern cotton mills, then to combine them with a view of developing their trade to the utmost, giving special attention to the rebuilding of the export business.

Constable Kills a Farmer.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 29.—Constable C. H. Cheek, with a warrant sworn out before Magistrate Cheek, in Laurens county, for the arrest of John Fowler, a young farmer, charged with assault and battery, went to the house of Fowler to arrest him. Fowler refused to surrender and began shooting at the constable. Cheek returned the fire with fatal results.

Three Men Fatally Sealed.

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C., Sept. 29.—The boiler of a sawmill near town exploded, fatally sealing two white men and a negro and seriously injuring a fourth. The boiler was 300 yards away.

Lawsuit Causes a Tragedy.

DECATUR, Ala., Sept. 29.—Joseph Goerber is lying fatally wounded at Center Grove, this county, from a knife thrust inflicted by Lee Densmore. A lawsuit caused the tragedy.

L. B. DURANT, Hardware, - Cutlery - and - Crockery, SUMTER, S. C.

In order to accommodate my growing business, I have moved my quarters into the spacious store lately occupied by the Ducker-Bultman Company, and I am prepared to fill all orders. Call or write for what you want. My stock is complete, in fact larger than ever before, having added to my immense stock of

**Hardware, Stoves, Housefurnishing Goods,
Harness, Saddles, Leather, etc.,
A Large Line of Crockery.**

I also handle in large quantities Paints, Oils and Window Glass.

My store is headquarters for Guns, Pistols, Powder, Shot, Shell and all kinds of Sporting Goods. Engine and Mill Supplies.

All of our Stoves warranted.

L. B. DURANT, SUMTER, S. C.

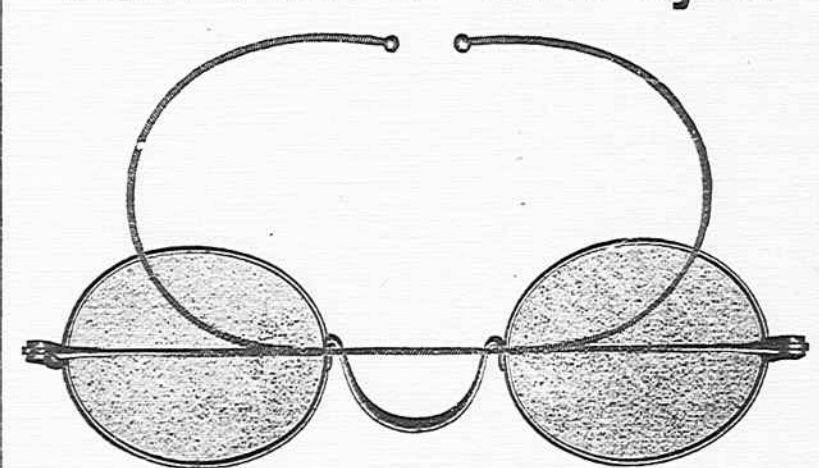
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I want my friends and the public generally to know that when in need of a Wedding, Birthday or Christmas Present, That in the future, as well as the past, I am prepared to supply them. My line of Watches Clocks Sterling Silver Diamonds Jewelry Cut Glass Fine China Wedgwood Spectacles and Eye Glasses is complete, and it will afford me pleasure to show them.

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Watch Inspector. L. W. FOLSON, S. C.

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We have Spectacles and Eye Glasses of all styles, grades and prices. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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The ladies of Clarendon are invited to visit my millinery parlors, where they will have an opportunity of selecting from a beautiful line of Hats. The very latest designs. Every attention is given to styles. My stock consists of

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Miss S. E. McDONALD, SUMTER, S. C.

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South-Bound.

Lv Florence, 3:55, 7:2