

Local News.

MAR. 19, 1897.

Constable for Camden. Mr. Butler Phelps has been appointed by Gov. Ellerbe a State Constable for this place.

Meeting of the United Confederate Veterans. There will be a meeting of the United Confederate Veterans at Cool Spring on Saturday, March 20th at 11 a. m. A full turnout is earnestly desired as there is some important business to be transacted. By order of

O. C. Halle, Commander.

Fire in Bishopville.

A very disastrous fire occurred in Bishopville last Saturday night which destroyed the Opera House, Dr. Lee's drug store and the stores of W. J. Bramlett, W. B. Carney, T. S. Joyce and J. R. Durant. The Masonic and Knights of Pythias Hall which contained the paraphernalia and regalia of both these orders was also burnt. The residence of Mr. J. M. Hearen came near being destroyed also but good work by the firemen saved it. We learn that upon some of the buildings there was no insurance at all.

A Great Scheme.

Realizing the great good derived from advertising Mr. J. H. Stephenson has "spread out" his advertisement and institutes a scheme which will not fail to be of benefit to traders and is indeed a "great scheme." To every cash purchaser of two dollars worth at one time Mr. Stephenson will present a ticket. There are only 300 tickets to be given away; when the last one is taken the drawing will take place as described in the advertisement. Buy two dollars worth and you may be the fortunate winner of a gold watch; buy four dollars worth and you may be the winner of both the watch and sewing machine.

The Importance of Local Newspapers.

Each year the local paper gives from \$500 to \$5,000 in free lines to the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The editor in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any other ten men and in all fairness with men he ought to be supported, because the local paper is the best investment a community can make. Financially it is of more benefit to the community than the teachers or preachers. Understand me, I do not mean mentally or morally, but financially, and yet on the moral question you will find most of the local papers on the right side. To-day the editors of the home papers do most for the least money of any people on the face of the earth.—Gov. Francis of Missouri.

An Important New Law.

The following is a law passed at the recent session of the Legislature which provides for the punishment of laborers who violate either written or verbal contracts after having received supplies:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

That any laborer working on shares of crop or for wages in money or other valuable consideration under a verbal or written contract to labor on farm lands, who shall receive advances either in money or in supplies, and thereafter willfully and without just cause fail to perform the reasonable service required of him by the terms of the said contract shall be liable to prosecution for a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than 20 days nor more than 30 days or to the fine in the sum of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, in the discretion of the Court: Provided, the verbal contract herein referred to shall be witnessed by at least two disinterested witnesses.

Approved the 20 day of March, A. D. 1897.

Met Again.

The Harmony Literary Society met in Harmony Church 12th inst. presided over by the president, Willie H. Goff.

The programme for the night was very interesting, which was as follows:

- 1. Reading, by Mr. L. D. Evans. 2. Recitation, by Miss Annie Grigsby. 3. Debate, Resolved, That foreign immigration should be prohibited in the United States. The affirmative was discussed by Prof. R. F. Coker, the negative by Mr. Willie H. Goff. The judges Messrs. J. M. Butler, B. W. Abbott and Joseph Stephens, decided in favor of the affirmative, agreeing wholly that the negative was in the advance. It seemed as if the affirmative were going to give up, but had to yield after short debating, to the negative.

After the debate etc., the Society adjourned to meet two weeks from now at 7:30 p. m.

Personal. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sowell and Mrs. D. McDonald, of Kershaw, spent a few days this week with Mr. W. R. Hough.

Everybody Says So. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and effectively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispels colds, cures headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. Cathartic, 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Advertised Letters. For week ending Mar. 14, 1897: Mary Womack, H. T. Williams, Letter Terry, Elizabeth Thomson, Mrs. J. L. Scott, E. A. Gaaney, B. U. Moore, Lizzie Jones, Robert Adams, G. L. Hayes, John Curking, James Brishon, Martha J. Bowen, Margaret Brown, Peter Barnes, J. A. Arthur, John Albert, Bob Hilton, returned dead letter.—Sallie Meek. C. J. Shannon, P. M.

The First Saturday in April. Having failed to hear from the President in regard to calling a meeting of the Chronicle Correspondents' Fraternal Club, the Committee on By-Laws suggests that there be a meeting of the Club on the first Saturday in April (being the third day) at 11 o'clock a. m. at the Chronicle office. Let EVERY correspondent bear in mind that he (or she) will be expected at this meeting. Come one, come all. Respectfully, The Committee.

A young man who held a loaded pistol to his head and threatened to blow his brains out unless the girl who had refused him would consent to have him, was coolly told by the young lady that he would have to blow some brains into his head first. He didn't blow.—Ex.

It Was Not Reese. The man arrested last Tuesday in Lexington, Tenn., and supposed to be M. R. Reese, one of the murderers of Williams, who recently escaped from the York jail, was some other fellow. He answered the description of Reese in every particular except one, he had no bullet scar at the base of his skull. As soon as this was telegraphed to the Sheriff of York he telegraphed back that they had the wrong man, and the suspect was released. So, Reese is not yet caught, and is not likely to be soon.—Lancaster Ledger.

Wrecked By a Bull. A bull on the track caused a serious wreck on the South Carolina and Georgia railroad, 35 miles this side of Charleston, one day last week. The train, a northbound freight was running at full speed with Engineer Shiver at the throttle, when it struck a sleeping bull lying on the rail. The engine and tender passed over the animal safely without knocking the carcass from the track, but the freight cars failed to do so. The dead bull formed an obstruction that they could not surmount and in consequence 12 of the cars were derailed and otherwise damaged. The engineer stopped the train as soon as possible and just as the engine started on a trestle. A count of the train crew found all on hand and without a hurt.

Entertainment By The Camden Baptist Young People's Union. A very pleasant entertainment was held at the Baptist parsonage in Camden on last Tuesday evening. On Saturday last the following invitation was sent out:

Camden Baptist Young People's Union. Baptist Parsonage—March 16th. Young People's Entertainment. Please come at 8 o'clock and bring a Birthday Offering. You are invited. Accompanying the invitation was a small envelope upon which was the following:

Birthday Offering. Please put in a cent for each year you are old. Be sure the number will never be told. The following is the programme which was successfully carried out at the entertainment:

- PART I: 1. Orchestra—Heptatopole March. 2. Reading—Miss Ada Trathan. 3. Song—Miss Rowell. 4. Recitation—Hicks Fort. 5. Song with Orchestra—Miss Thomson. 6. Instrumental Solo—Miss Ethel Corbett. 7. Topsy Turvy Chorus. PART II: 1. Orchestra—Directorate March. 2. Recitation—Miss Honor Long. 3. Song with Viola Obligato—Miss Marie DeSoreux. 4. Children's Song with Orchestra—Children's Chorus Class. 5. Song with Orchestra—Miss Virginia Workman. 6. Recitation—Miss Abbie Nelson.

As Officer. A committee was appointed to visit the M. F. Baptist Church in New York.

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Uncommon Items. General Wade Hampton is dangerously ill in his apartments in the Metropolitan hotel in Washington.

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From Our Correspondents.

Mt. Zion. Mar. 12. Dear Mr. Editor:—After a protracted absence from your bright and newsy columns I will again endeavor to send you a few items. It was our good fortune to attend the closing exercises of Pine Grove school, so ably taught by Prof. L. W. Copeland, which closed Friday, Mar. 5. The program was carried out in a very interesting manner. The little children and their teacher certainly deserve credit for the progress they have made in singing and reciting. The little Misses Cora Myers and Eva McCoy won the prizes for being the most proficient in orthography. Miss Adie Myers was awarded the prize, a beautiful book, for best recitations. The prizes were presented with appropriate speeches by Mr. L. L. Copeland, Sup. of Education; after which he gave us a short lecture on the subject of Education.

Very little farm work has been done so far, especially plowing, as the wet weather continues at this writing. We will have to "do about" as "Rich" says, when it does dry off. We believe the grip has somewhat subsided and as one extreme is said to follow another, it is hoped that we will now have a period of good health. Mr. Editor, we seldom like to

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say much about things so near at home, but we hope you will pardon this: Through the carelessness or meanness of a little negro boy, on last Friday (Mar. 5) we lost 2 bundles, a small crib, about 1000 pounds fodder, 8 or 10 bushels corn and about 600 lbs. shucks. That did not seem to satisfy the littleascal, so accordingly he tried his hand again last Wednesday, with the result of another building being burnt and the balance of our fodder—our corn only being saved by Providence and the assistance of friends, to all of whom I am very thankful for their help in the time of need. Pretty poor encouragement in this our first venture to see the last bundle of fodder burnt and that too by rascality. Don't you think so Mr. Editor? But we will "work and hope" that the old proverb that a "bad beginning makes a good ending" will prove true. The boy is boarding with Sheriff Williams now. Miss Belle Myers, of Camden, has been visiting Miss Dora Brown, W. F. M.

Dear Chronicle:—After an absence of two or three weeks from your valuable space I come again and take pleasure in acknowledging the prompt arrival of The Chronicle since we have changed place of residence. News is somewhat scarce. The rain is almost incessant and farm work is getting in an awkward condition. No corn planted as yet and but little prospect of planting for some days. Fertilizers are being hauled in an abundance and both acreage and debt are being widened for the cotton crop, and it is argumative as to what will be the result in the agricultural interest of our country, I am an advocate of home raised supplies for

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Notice to School Teachers.

The State Board of Education will meet at Columbia on April 2, and will examine applicants for Teachers' State certificates on April 3, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m. The first semi-annual examination for Teachers' county certificates will be held at the Court House in Camden, Friday, April 16, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m. All persons not holding certificates, and those whose certificates have expired, will have to stand examination if they expect to teach. L. L. COPELAND, S. E. K. C.

REGISTRATION NOTICE.

OFFICE OF SUPERVISORS OF REGISTRATION, KERSHAW COUNTY. CAMDEN, S. C., MARCH 8, 1897. The Board of Registration for Kershaw County, will meet at the Court House in Camden, on the 1st Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays of each month for the purpose of registering voters. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. W. F. RUSSELL, Chairman, MANNES RABON, Clerk, J. P. RICHARDS, Secretary. Member of the Registration Board for Kershaw County.

Sheriff's Sale.

South Carolina—Kershaw County. Court of Common Pleas. Emeline Granger, et al, Plaintiffs against Louisa Granger, Defendant—Partition.

Under and by virtue of a decree herein, I will sell at public outcry before the Court House in Camden, S. C., within the legal hours of sale on the first Monday in April next, the following real estate: That tract of land in Kershaw County, state of South Carolina, containing seventy-five (75) acres bounded North by lands of T. J. Marsh, East by lands of Alfred Marsh, South by lands of Mrs. E. Shilver, and West by lands of Rebecca Marsh. Also, under same decree I will sell at public outcry at 12 o'clock M. on the next day (Tuesday), at the late residence of Oliver Granger, the following personal property: Two (2) mules, one one-horse wagon, three (3) hogs, about 250 bushels of corn, about 2,000 pounds of fodder, about 200 bushels of cotton seed, a lot of pen in the hull, and a lot of farming utensils. Terms of sale cash. R. B. WILLIAMS, Sheriff Kershaw Co. March 12.—td.

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both land and laborer. In politics, if I am capable of an opinion of my own as a Reformer, I am in favor of such reform as will do justice to all, and have ever felt that such reform could be achieved by the suffrage of our country not allowing men to hold office who do not possess a qualified ability to fill the position for which they aspire. Class cut legislation, and its fruits are ever the same as a house of kingdom when once divided. Under the move of '76 we were getting along very well for 14 years, but some were not satisfied. Ignorance did not understand why it was that men of culture held all the offices, and the unlearned were told by some if you will put us in office we will turn the fence over and we will all ride. Now I would like to know what advantage have the farmers of South Carolina enjoyed, or realized from the administration of the last 6 years. Me thinks I hear a whispering voice say "some of them got in office," and as loud as thunder it is heard from mountain to sea board—"you have cut your parties throat by taxation." Burn the woods and sift the ashes. Cap. Mechanicsville.

Dear Chronicle:—As this is our first attempt to visit your most valuable paper you must excuse a short letter. The farmers around here seem to be somewhat behind on account of bad weather. Some of them are about ready to plant while others haven't run a furrow.

Hog cholera is still raging around here; some of the farmers have lost about all they had. On account of bad weather there was no preaching at Bethany Baptist church Sunday. Miss Lillian Galloway, of Ionia, and Mr. Arrie Davis, of Antioch, spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends in the neighborhood. Miss Sydney Smith who has been spending some time with her brother near St. Charles, returned to her home in Columbia on Monday last much to the regret of her many friends. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Northcutt, of Ionia, S. C., spent Saturday and Sunday with parents near Mechanicsville. Well as news is scarce I will close expecting to write again soon. Farm Boy.

Kershaw. Dear Chronicle:—Once more I come knocking for admittance in your newsy columns. The Chronicle is a welcome visitor every week and gets better and better. We haven't much news for this issue only plenty of rain and hard times. Our farmers have got the blues, if it rains too much they are grumbling and if it is too dry they are grumbling and so it goes they are never satisfied.

Capt. C. C. Halle and Deputy Sheriff Bateman, were in town a couple of days last week on business, they were the guest of Mr. S. L. Gardner, Jr. Miss Fannie Cauthen, one of Westville's sweet and charming young ladies is visiting her sister Mrs. W. W. Horton. Mrs. R. E. Tompkins, of Rock Hill is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kirkley at this place. Rev. Mr. Brown, of Sumter, gave a lecture at the Academy last night for the benefit of the Ladies Missionary Society of the Baptist church on "Courtship and Matrimony." His lecture was full of logic and humor all the way through, and was enjoyed by all present.

The public roads are in a critical condition near here, they are almost impassable and we think our commissioners should have them worked as soon as possible. Mr. J. A. Davis visited his family at this place last Saturday and Sunday. His many friends were glad to see him. We will close for this time but will come again soon. Wish you and your paper much success. G. E. P.

Mt. Olio. The Chronicle Has Found Its Way In to Many Homes and is Always a Welcome Visitor.

Dear Chronicle:—We will try and pass off a few pleasant moments writing for your valued columns. It seems that another new industry has sprung up around here, that of the ribbon cane culture, which will be a great help to home consumption as it is of a much finer quality than the ordinary sorghum cane. The debating and literary society which was organized recently at Cedar Grove school house is in a flourishing condition. The discussions are quite interesting at each meeting. Miss Sydney Smith, a charming young lady of Columbia, who has been visiting her brother, Rev. B. Smith of this place, has returned home to the regret of her many friends.

Messrs. James and Arrie Davis were visiting in this town recently. Mrs. Carrie Starkey who has been ill for the past several weeks, and is now able to get about. Mrs. M. E. Smith who has been ill for the past several weeks, and is now able to get about.

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