

# Local News.

## Important Notice.

All matter whatsoever for publication must reach us not later than 9 o'clock on Thursday morning. We can not guarantee the insertion of anything received after that hour. Changes in contract advertisements are required to be handed in on Wednesday.

## Excursion to Savannah.

An excursion will be run from Camden to Savannah, Ga., on the 12th of Sept. The excursion will be under the management of Rev. F. M. Gover, colored, of Claremont and a pleasant trip is promised all who attend. There will be separate coaches for whites.

## Razors.

If you will shave yourself, go to McLean & Son's Barber Shop, on the corner south of the market, and get one of the Robinson Cutlery Co.'s Razors, from \$1.50 to \$3.00. They are fully warranted. We have the best lot of razors in town. Come and see them.

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## The Camden Lumber Co's Mill.

The above named mill located near the S. A. L. freight depot, with Messrs. R. R. Roshorough, C. C. Moore and R. R. Tenn as the board of corporators, is progressing in a most satisfactory manner. Already they are getting in more orders than they can fill without working at night. The quality of work done by this mill is unsurpassed by any we have ever seen. When in need of lumber of any kind, rough or dressed, also shingles, it will pay you to see them.

## Guaranteed doorless Refrigerators at Gals' chambers.

## A Good Letter from Mr. Parker Upon an Important Question.

Mr. Editor:—I read an article in the Messenger some time ago from Mr. W. K. McCright in which he says reduce the levy and give the tax payers the benefit of it. I will agree with him that the levy is too high and will have to be reduced in the near future or the expenditure increased, but before doing either I would like to suggest an idea of mine for the consideration of the taxpayers of this county which I have been advocating for some time especially since the opening of the campaign, but it seems as there are a good many that do not understand my position. For that reason I adopt this method of expressing myself more fully. Since being connected with the public affairs of this county I feel as the fact that our system of working the public roads in this county is an absolute failure. I find it a matter of impossibility to get the roads properly worked under the present system. When we look around and see railroads coming in to the county from every side, towns, factories and other enterprises springing up all along the lines and then look back over our public highways and see their condition, knowing at the same time that we are doing nothing permanent by way of improving them, we should feel ashamed of the situation. In seeing and realizing the great necessity for better roads in this county and in looking at it from a business standpoint I have been led to believe that it would be unwise to reduce the tax levy and let our public roads remain in the present condition. I would suggest that we let the levy stand as it is and appropriate one mill in addition to this reduce the commutation tax to one dollar per head and make it compulsory. By doing this we can raise about \$7,000 to start with which amount will increase from year to year by the increase in taxable property without increasing the levy. Then the roads can be worked by contract or whatever method we may deem best, contracting all the bad places in the roads throughout the county first. We should do away with the township boards of commissioners, elect a Supervisor and two commissioners by the people, put them all under bond, have one man from each township appointed to serve as a board of assessors and let the Supervisor and county board of commissioners serve as county board of equalization. It takes talk and changing of views on any subject to bring about an action in any business. So now the question arises shall we reduce the levy and let our public highways remain as they are, or, at all we let the levy stand and use the means suggested in building up our public roads that we may not only compete with adjoining counties in railroads but in public highways as well.

As this is only an idea of mine would like to hear from some one else on this subject. Respectfully, T. V. Parker, Supervisor K. C.

## Improvements to the Town.

Several but looking old shade trees on Main street have been cut down and removed by the town. Would it not be well to cut out the good work and trim up all the trees on Main street so that the stores can be seen unobscured at least as high as the first story?

A good work now being done by the city is that of raising the sidewalks on the south side of DeKalb street between the residences of Sheriff Williams and Mrs. J. F. Smith. This will prevent the water from running in the yards during rainy seasons. Considerable damage has been done to yards and gardens here by the water running through them.

Another very great improvement which has been suggested by one of our citizens is a town clock with a transparent face with electric lights behind it so that the time could be told at night as well as in day time. This would be an improvement and benefit not only to Main street but the entire town and we believe the money spent for it would be well invested. What say our city fathers?

## Personal.

Mr. Henry Izemar, is spending a few days at Cleveland Springs.

Mr. Rivers Alexander has taken a position with Messrs. S. N. Sewell & Co.

Mrs. Simmons, of Wake Forest, N. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Trantham.

Mr. W. T. Latham and family who have been visiting relatives in N. C., have returned home.

Miss Marion Thompson, who has been visiting Miss Corrie Mathis, returned last Saturday to her home in Lancaster.

Mr. P. T. Villepigue is on a tour to Europe. He sailed for that country on Saturday and will be gone several weeks.

Mr. J. S. Young, of Darlington, delighted his many friends here by a visit last week. Mr. Young is a brother of Mr. R. W. Young, of the S. A. L.

Mr. Mannes Rabon has taken a position at the popular store of Messrs. S. N. Sewell & Co., where he will be pleased to have his many friends call and see him.

We were pleased to meet in Camden on Saturday last Mr. W. J. Ammonds, formerly of this place, but now of Hester, Abbeville Co. It has been several years since Mr. Ammonds was here and his many friends are delighted to see him. Judging from his appearance, the country is agreeing with him; he has gained about sixty pounds since he left here. Mr. Ammonds is one of our best men and he will always find a warm welcome in Kershaw County.

Important people for Military Campaign in uniform twenty or more on one ticket, to the travelling of the Camden and York River by the railroad Air Line Railway.

## A Letter from Alaska.

The following letter from Alaska written by a friend of Mr. W. F. Reed will prove interesting reading:

Name, Alaska, July 14th, '99. Friend Reed:—I write you a few lines to let you know that I am still alive, well, and bustling. We got here after being held up in the ice four days and found a city of tents about 7,000 on the beach above tide mark. My first experience was to watch the goods at night as a lot of stealing was going on, a large portion of the men here being the men of the States and Canada, my orders were to shoot anyone I caught in the act of stealing, but I am glad to say was not called on to do so, as they've quickly know the goods were watched. I was up for seven nights and during that time four murders were committed, all close beside me, closing one of them the bullets were close around me. One poor fellow who had nothing to do with the fight was killed about fifteen yards from me. The mortals here do not know how to use a revolver, the result being that one can well imagine that the war was being fought over again. A shot gun would serve them better.

The town is now under martial law and the soldiers guard the streets day and night.

I would think that 25,000 or 30,000 people are here, and 5,000 is a plenty for the country. Already there is a good large town of wooden houses, well built, about 4,000 in number, but heaven help us when a fire occurs, as half the town will be burnt up sure.

Regarding the gold—there is no doubt that this part is rich, far beyond the expectations of man. Anywhere one takes up a spade full of gold and washes it a few grains of gold are found, and some of the mines are very rich. Seven on one stream, each of which \$50,000 has been offered for and refused, and the country has not been prospected much yet. Every day new mines are being discovered. It is estimated that seventy-five or one hundred million dollars of gold will be taken out this year, but as usual far too many people are here.

As for work, well it is 6.30 a. m. to 8.30 p. m., 60 minutes in one hour as busy as bees, and all are in a fever hurry to get as much done in a day as possible; wages \$1 an hour, and it is well earned. The trouble is that for seven months little or no work can be done as the winter is so severe; however for the sake of my family I will stay in this winter and make all I can and will try and get hold of some claims, although I would much rather be with you in Carolina. Yours truly,

## The Campaign Closes.

The county campaign closed on Wednesday last with the meeting in Camden. The meeting was held in Hampton park and a representative audience was present. Chairman Kirkland called the meeting to order at about half past eleven and at the suggestion of Mr. W. A. Schooler, was opened with prayer by Rev. W. M. Dancan.

During the progress of the meeting Chairman Kirkland being called off by requested Mr. C. W. Bichmore to act in his stead which Mr. Bichmore did in a very acceptable manner.

All the candidates were present except Mr. G. W. McCaskill who was detained at home by severe illness, and Mr. Levi Jones.

It was our intention to give a synopsis of the speeches but a demand upon our space for other matters prevents us from doing so. It is to say that all the speeches were good ones, being pitched upon a high plane, and each individual candidate is to be highly complimented for the gentlemanly manner in which he has conducted himself through the campaign. Although some little differences may have arisen between some of the candidates it is gratifying to note that they have all been adjusted and that this last meeting was a model one and concluded in a very pleasant manner. Many of the candidates referring to their competitors in a very complimentary way.

The cards of all the candidates will be found in The Chronicle and for each one we bespeak a careful consideration at the hands of the public, weigh them impartially and vote for the man of your choice, and we are sure whatever the verdict will be the candidates will bow gracefully to it, for they have repeatedly so expressed themselves.

The Chronicle congratulates the candidates upon the high toned manner in which they have conducted this campaign. They have acted well. Each man made the race upon his own merits. They are a set of gentlemen far above the average candidate, and of whom any county might well be proud.

## Again Successful.

In the competitive examination for a scholarship to Wintrop College this A. D. Trantham is a successful applicant. A notification to that effect from President Johnson of Wintrop, was received in Camden yesterday.

## Marriage.

Mr. Willie Hall, son of Capt. Jas. L. Hall, and Miss Lillian Averum, daughter of the late Capt. Thos. Averum, were married on last Wednesday morning. The bride and groom are two of Camden's most popular young people and the good wishes of a host of friends attend them. Immediately after the marriage they left for a trip to Asheville.

## Death of Mr. J. A. Kirby.

Truly in the midst of life we are in death. To day a week ago Mr. J. A. Kirby attended the campaign meeting in West Waterloo, apparently as well as any man there. To day the bodies of him and his little son lie beneath the sod in the Camden cemetery. Mr. Kirby was taken violently ill and lived only two days, dying on Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock. His little son two years old also was taken ill and died the day his father was buried. Mr. Kirby was buried in the Camden cemetery on Wednesday morning. For the afflicted widow of Mr. Kirby, whose happy home is thus suddenly shattered, the deepest sympathy of the entire community goes out unfeignedly. Mrs. Kirby is a sister of Mrs. C. R. Lewis of our town.

Mr. Kirby was a Mason and Knight of Pathos and was buried with Masonic honors.

## Teacher Suggested.

The patrons of the Cleveland School met at their school house on yesterday afternoon at three o'clock for the purpose of choosing a teacher for the ensuing year. Mr. G. W. Mosley was elected chairman of the meeting and Mr. B. B. Clarke acted as secretary. The large attendance present, the double roomed building and the fully constructed building in which the meeting was held abundantly showed that our wide awake neighbors of the Benlah neighborhood were fully alive to the importance of first class educational facilities. Two of the applicants for the school, Mr. R. C. Bruce and Mr. J. E. Rush, proved to be very popular. Mr. Bruce was the choice of the party, five votes cast. However, Mr. Rush received twelve votes although his competitor was a graduate of spot less character and a successful teacher. Such a vote as Mr. Rush received certainly shows that he stands deservedly high in his chosen profession of teaching. The school trustees will no doubt employ Mr. Bruce, the choice of the majority. With Mr. Bruce as teacher, we trust and believe that the citizens of the Benlah neighborhood will continue to have one of the finest schools in Kershaw county.

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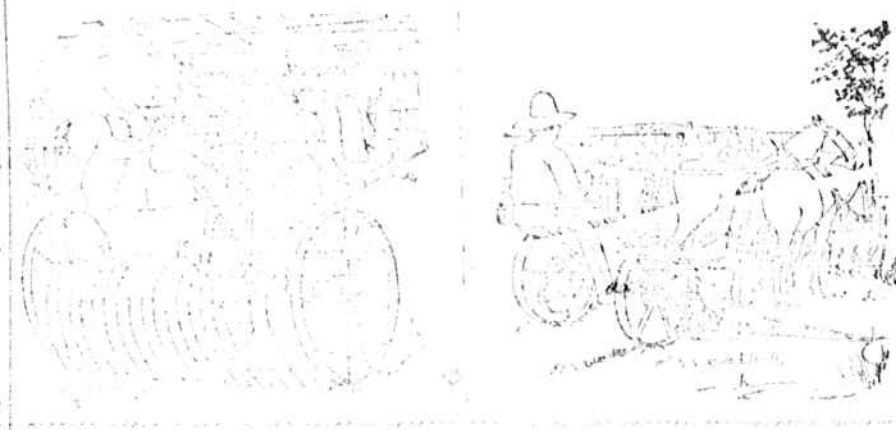
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## Application for Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that one month from this date, on the 23rd day of Aug. 1900, I will apply to the Judge of Probate for Kershaw County, for letters of discharge, as Administrator of the Estate of Wm. W. Hall, deceased. July 25, 1900.

## Citation.

South Carolina—Kershaw County.

By C. C. Haile, Probate Judge. Whereas, John W. Smith, made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of J. Frank Smith, deceased. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said J. E. Smith, deceased, that they bring and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Camden, S. C., on Saturday, the 1st day of September next, after publication thereof, at 12 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my hand, this 15th day of August, A. D. 1900. Published on the 17th day of August, 1900, in the Camden Chronicle.

## Citation.

State of South Carolina—Kershaw County. By C. C. Haile, Probate Judge. Whereas, Thos. H. Harlee, Jr., made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of Josiah A. McSwain, deceased. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Josiah A. McSwain, deceased, that they bring and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Camden, S. C., on the 28th day of Aug next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock to show cause if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted. Given under my hand and seal this 25th day of July, A. D. 1900. Published on the 27th day of July 1900, in The Camden Chronicle. C. C. HAILE, Judge of Probate, Kershaw County.

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