

The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, January 9, 1913.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The city graded schools resumed exercises Monday morning of this week.

There was a good crowd in town Monday, attending the public sales and on other business.

The Carlisle Fitting School resumed exercises last Thursday morning, after the Christmas holidays.

Sheriff J. B. Hunter, who has been occupying the jail for a number of years, has moved to his farm just out of town.

All of the many boys and girls who are attending the various colleges of the State have returned to their studies.

The real estate sold here by Master H. C. Folk last Monday brought good prices, notwithstanding the scarcity of money.

The out-of-town graded school teachers, who spent the holidays at their homes, returned to the city Sunday night so as to be ready for work Monday morning.

Mr. Edgar Dickinson and family are now occupying the jail, Mr. Dickinson having been appointed jailer by Sheriff S. G. Ray. Mr. Dickinson will still be night policeman of the town.

The State legislature will meet in Columbia next Tuesday. Bamberg county's delegation, Senator J. B. Black and Representatives J. A. Hunter and B. W. Miley, will go up to Columbia Monday.

Mr. J. A. Richardson is now foreman of the chain gang, this being a promotion for him, as he was formerly assistant. Mr. John Morris is now assistant. The gang is now at work on the road between Denmark and Lees.

Bamberg was visited by a high wind last Thursday night. No special damage was done except to the lines of the electric light plant. There was a break in the arc lines, and as a consequence we had no street lights for several nights.

Messrs. H. M. Graham and C. E. Black have formed a partnership for the practice of law. Mr. Black is a bright young man, a son of Hon. J. B. Black, and is recent graduate of the law department of the University of South Carolina.

A few days ago The Cotton Oil Company of this city received a car load of seed shipped from a point on the new railroad from Orangeburg to North. This seems to show that the new road is open for freight business at least.

The old board of county commissioners, Messrs. G. B. Kinard, G. W. Folk, with Supervisor J. B. Kearse, held a meeting here Monday, but the only business transacted was the approving of claims and winding up the business of the past year.

Ed Lartigue, a colored man, who farms for Mr. E. C. Hays near town, brought to the city last Saturday a turnip that measured 29 inches in circumference and weighed 8 1/2 pounds. It was the largest thing in the shape of a turnip that we have ever seen.

The new county commissioners and supervisor are believers in the split log drag, and it will be used on every road that is in shape for the drag. The Denmark-Bamberg road was recently worked up, and it will be dragged in a few days. The split log drag saves the roads and money.

The new county commissioners, Messrs. H. W. Chitty and W. B. Smoak, have not yet assumed the duties of their office, as they will not be appointed until the legislature meets, the office being an appointive one. Supervisor E. C. Bruce took charge of the office Monday of this week.

A most pleasant social gathering was enjoyed at the residence of Mrs. Janie C. Lewis Tuesday evening of last week by the younger social set, it being the occasion of an anagram party given by Mrs. Lewis in honor of Miss Riley, who was visiting her. The prize, a handsome silver hat pin, was won by Miss Edith Rice. Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. H. F. Bamberg exerted themselves to entertain the young people, and all had a most delightful time.

The Herald is issued this week with only six pages. The reason for this is that we are carrying very few advertisements, and our subscribers are getting more reading matter than when we printed eight pages with a lot of advertisements. The six-page paper is only a temporary arrangement, however, and we expect to print our usual paper of eight pages again next week. Our force has been mighty busy with job work since Christmas, and this also makes it too large an undertaking to get out an eight-page paper when we had practically no advertisements.

Bamberg county made a good showing the past year in the matter of new enterprises. According to the report of the secretary of state Bamberg was the fourth county in the State in amount of capital stock of new companies, the figures being \$527,100.

The horse of Mr. J. J. Smoak, which ran away and broke his leg a little more than a week ago, had to be killed. The leg had been set and the horse was getting along nicely, but a few nights ago he managed to work loose from the swing and broke the leg again. This made it necessary to put an end to him.

New Advertisements.

- J. B. Hunter—Card.
C. F. Rizer—Ford Automobiles.
The Victor Oil Co.—Salesmen Wanted.
G. Frank Bamberg—Nothing Lacking in Our Carriages.
H. M. Carter applies for letters of administration on estate of Elizabeth Carter.
G. W. Fail, Jr., applies for letters of administration on estate of Geo. W. Fail, Sr.
Farmers & Merchants Bank—Don't Fiddle Your Time Away.
Jones Bros.—A New Load.
Graham & Black—Attorneys-at-Law.
E. H. Henderson—Attorney-at-Law.
A. W. Bronson—A Happy New Year to All.

Civic League Work for the Year.

With the passing of the holiday season and the advent of another new year, great things are going to be made possible for Bamberg through the civic league. Each standing committee has planned improvements for the public place in its charge.

The committee in charge of the grounds around the Methodist church hopes to establish a park and playground in the rear of the church. Dr. J. J. Cleckley has very kindly promised to plant the grass for this park, also to place hitching posts on the outside so that it may not be trampled upon by the horses.

If the consent of the trustees can be obtained, work will soon be begun on this park. The committee at Baptist church have also commenced the work of beautifying the grounds.

Another work day for the cleaning of Restland cemetery will be announced in next week's paper. A fund is being collected by the president of the league so that a caretaker may be employed to care for this cemetery and keep it in order after it has been put in good order.

The next meeting of the league will be held on the 4th Thursday afternoon in January, the place to be designated in next week's paper. It is hoped that all of the recipes for the cook book will have been collected by then.

Doctors in Session.

The physicians are having a meeting in Bamberg to-day (Wednesday) this being the occasion of the third semi-annual meeting of the Second District Medical Association.

A number of prominent physicians are present, and the occasion will no doubt prove most pleasant and profitable to all. The following is the program:

- Meeting called to order at 11:30 a. m.
President's Address—Dr. J. S. Matthews, Denmark, S. C.
Address of Welcome—Dr. J. B. Black, Bamberg, S. C.
Response—Dr. T. H. Dreher, St. Matthews, S. C.
Paper—Eye, Ear, and Throat Diseases in Their Relation to General Diseases, Dr. E. F. Parker, Charleston, S. C.
Paper—Dr. LeGrand Guerry, Columbia, S. C.
Paper—Dr. Thos. D. Coleman, Augusta, Ga.
Paper—Some General Considerations to be Observed in Amputation of the Extremities, Dr. Chas. M. Rees, Charleston, S. C.
Paper—Dr. T. H. Dreher, St. Matthews, S. C.
Paper—Status Quo of Medical Ethics—Backward or Forward? Dr. V. W. Brabham, Cope, S. C.
2:30 p. m.—Dinner at Johnson Hotel.
4:00 p. m.—Public Meeting in High School Auditorium.
Address—Medical Inspection of Schools, Dr. Wm. Weston, Columbia, S. C.
Address—Sanitation, Dr. Adams Haynes, Columbia, S. C.

U. D. C. Meeting.

The regular January meeting of the Francis Marion Bamberg Chapter U. D. C. will be held next Tuesday afternoon, the 14th, at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. Jones A. Williams at her home on Railroad Avenue. The program for this meeting will be on Robert E. Lee, and some interesting papers will be read. Let every member revive her chapter interest with this the first meeting of the year.

Parcels Post.

If the people of Bamberg would take the trouble to inform themselves as to the great saving by sending packages of merchandise by parcels post instead of express, the business at the post office we feel sure would be largely increased. Packages can be sent out on the rural routes at a rate of five cents for the first pound, with a reduction for each additional pound, the largest package allowed being eleven pounds. To points in a radius of fifty miles the rate is the same as the local rate. To cities like Augusta, Charleston, and Savannah, the rate is very little more. For instance, The Herald received this week a package from Savannah on which the postage was 22 cents. The package weighed more than three pounds, the rate being for four pounds, and this package by express would have cost at least forty-five cents.

If one wants a map and a guide giving full information same can be obtained by enclosing seventy-five cents to the chief clerk of the post office department in Washington, but the local postmaster will be glad to give any information desired.

However, a few rules must be observed in sending packages. They must be securely wrapped, not sealed, and the name and address of the sender must be placed thereon with the word "from" preceding the name and address. Parcels post stamps must be used, ordinary stamps not being good for postage on packages. The parcels post rate is good for merchandise only, the rate on printed matter, which is one-half cent an ounce, not being reduced. Books, circulars, photos, and all third class matter carries the same rate as formerly, and ordinary stamps can be used on such packages, but all fourth-class matter must have parcel post stamps affixed, otherwise it will be held for postage.

It will be well for our merchants to get busy and see that their trading territory is extended because of the parcels post. Why shouldn't people on the rural routes out of Bamberg, Ehrhardt, Branchville, Olar, and Govan, all of which places have routes going out into Bamberg county, order goods from the merchants in Bamberg if they can get the same service and prices they would in the cities? There is no reason why Bamberg merchants cannot sell goods cheaper than the city merchants. Their expenses are less and they buy at practically the same prices. This newspaper believes the parcels post will be of much benefit to the country merchants if they will use it, but if they don't advertise and push the mail order department of their business, much of their trade will go to the mail order houses in the larger cities.

The next package you have to send off, call at the post office and find out the parcels post rate before sending it off, and we believe you will find it much cheaper.

Death of Erasmus Smoak.

Editor The Bamberg Herald:—I desire to say a few words in regard to my friend E. D. Smoak, who I see by your paper was brutally murdered near Spartanburg, S. C., a few days ago. Erasmus Smoak was a life-time friend of mine. He and I were raised together from childhood. I have slept with him as often as I did with any brother of mine. We were true friends, in fact, just like brothers. He never came to Bamberg unless he came to see me. He was here a few months ago and spent some days with me. He and I slept in the Bamberg county jail on the night that the county was born, alone on a pallet. My family did not come for a day or so after. He often came to see me. He was a true friend and a gentleman in the full meaning of the term. I never knew him to do or say anything wrong. He was not given to any bad habits. He did not use tobacco in any form nor use anything that would intoxicate. He was a perfect gentleman, and I miss him as a brother. It grieves me to think that he died as he did, but he was a Christian and was prepared to die. We were near the same age, he being about two years the oldest.

J. B. HUNTER.

Watch Night Party.

A delightful party was given by Mrs. S. T. Naff, of Denmark, Wednesday last. The invited guests were: Misses Grace Matheny, Jesie Matheny, Agnes Sparks, Carrie Bell, Della Phillips, Clara West, Eulalee Ellzey, Hattie Sue Fogle, Oattie Harrison, Ruth and Louis Ray. The boys were: Messrs. Chandler Poole, James Lathrope, David Gruber, Cecil Ellzey, G. F. Still, Henry Felder, Earle Hightower. The refreshments were hot chocolate, cake, and fruit. As the old year went out there was a volley of fire works discharged.

Watch the label on your paper, and if your subscription has expired please renew.

DIRECTORY OF TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH.

Preaching every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.
Preaching every Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Sunday-school every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.
Mid-week prayermeeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Epworth League every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
Everybody is cordially invited to attend these services.
W. H. HODGES, Pastor,
Railroad Avenue,
Bamberg, S. C.

The subject for the morning hour, Sunday, at Trinity church will be: Christian Stewardship.
The evening subject will be: The Rest That Failed.

Foreign Missionary Society.

The Foreign Missionary Society had a most helpful and interesting meeting Tuesday afternoon in Trinity church. It was the pledge meeting, and all were given an opportunity to pledge a free will offering over and above all dues. The work of many hearts and minds had gone in the preparation for the meeting; and it was, as a result, an hour of uplift and helpfulness—just one little hour taken out of a whole month and consecrated to the Master's great work of saving a world.

A young lady, Miss Trieschman, has been appointed to mission work in Japan. Some weeks ago, her brother sent a note to the Board of Missions guaranteeing her salary as long as she remains in the service of the board.

Our Methodist people are awakening to their privileges.

One of our officers supports a scholarship in every mission field occupied by our church and a Bible woman in India. Two sisters in North Carolina support their own missionary in China.

One church in our own State supports three missionaries.

Monday's Sales.

Several tracts of real estate were sold at auction here last Monday by Master H. C. Folk, as follows:

- In the case of Cleckley vs. Walker, one house and lot in town of Bamberg, to J. J. Brabham for \$221.00.
Bank of Branchville vs. May, 27 1/2 acres to Mayfield & Free, attorneys, for \$100.
Walker vs. Hay, 160 acres to H. M. Graham, attorney, for 1,705.
In the case of Free vs. Felder, the following sales were made, this being the lands of the estate of the late E. M. Cox:
Lot No. 1 to Thos. Ducker, for \$160.
Lot No. 2 to M. E. Folk for \$150.
Lot No. 3 to S. G. Mayfield for \$25.00.
Lot No. 4 to H. M. Graham, attorney, for \$205.00.
Lot No. 5 to Thos. Ducker for \$185.00.
Lot No. 6 to M. E. Folk for \$190.
Lot No. 7 to F. W. Free for \$45.00.
Lot No. 8 to F. W. Free for \$201.
Lot No. 9 to J. D. Felder for \$100.
25 acres to F. W. Free for \$515.
54 acres to D. R. Matheny for \$1,700.
40 acres to F. W. Free for \$1,615.
42 acres to J. D. Felder for \$1,000.
63 acres to F. W. Free for \$2,025.
Adams tract, 62 acres, to J. D. Felder for \$965.
66 acres to Mayfield & Free, attorneys, for \$1,020.
Springtown tract, 136 acres, to Jones A. Williams for \$605.
In the case of Dowling vs. Watson, 51 acres, to S. G. Mayfield, attorney, for \$795.
In the same case two lots in town of Bamberg to H. M. Graham for \$40.
In the case of Brown vs. Nix 200 acres for \$2,055 to W. F. Weeks.
The property advertised to be sold by Calvin Rentz as trustee of the Lutheran church was withdrawn from sale.
The property in the case of Smoak vs. Elkins was withdrawn from sale, the case having been settled.

Wiring Campaign.

From the 15th of January until February 1st Mr. G. D. Ryan, superintendent of the electric light plant, is going to conduct a wiring campaign, in order to induce everybody to have their residences and places of business wired for electric lights. Between these dates all wiring will be done at actual cost, with no margin of profit at all. The customer will only be charged for the material used at wholesale cost prices and for the labor done. This movement should result in a number of new customers for the plant. We don't get any pay for this notice; we are simply giving publicity to the matter for the benefit of the plant, as it is owned by the taxpayers.

NEWSPAPER MEN IN JAIL.

Three Sent to Prison for Contempt of Idaho Court.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 2.—R. S. Sheridan, publisher of the Boise Capital News; C. O. Broxton, managing editor, and A. R. Cruzen, a local capitalist, convicted to-day for contempt of the Idaho supreme court for criticising the court's decision barring Progressive candidates for presidential electors from the Idaho ballot, occupy a cell in the county jail, where they will serve a ten-day sentence each. Each was also sentenced to pay a fine of \$500.

Although Cruzen made affidavit that he was in no way connected with the paper, the sworn statement of the publisher made in connection with the federal law showed his ownership of stock and bonds of the company. When the court asked Broxton if he knew of any reason why sentence should not be pronounced he replied: "None that this court will consider."

The newspaper men were placed in the same cell occupied by Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone during their trials for alleged conspiracy in the assassination of former Gov. Steunenberg.

In the answer filed two weeks ago by Sheridan and Broxton, representing the Capital News Publishing company, they admitted responsibility for publication of alleged contemptuous articles in the Capital News, and in explanation said the articles were published in the belief of their privilege to do under the right of free speech. They claimed there was no intention to impede the administration of justice and this could not have been accomplished for the reason that the decision already had been rendered by the court.

The majority opinion of the court, written by Justice Sullivan and concurred in by Chief Justice Stewart, was read. It upheld the inherent right of courts to punish for contempt.

Justice Ailshe dissented on nearly every point. He held that the case was not pending at the time of the publication of the article in question.

The three defendants were taken to jail.

FIRE IN LAURENS BANK.

Considerable Damage Done to Handsome People's Bank Building.

Laurens, Jan. 4.—A blaze, originating on the second floor of the People's Loan and Exchange Bank building, and discovered yesterday about 7 o'clock, was extinguished by prompt work of the fire department after considerable damage had been done to the banking room below and the offices above. It is thought that defective wiring beneath the flooring of Dr. T. L. Timmerman's office was the cause of it. After ignition, the blaze must have followed the wiring in several directions, for burned places are found in different parts of the building this morning. Water did more damage than the blaze, the principal sufferers being the People's Bank and Dr. T. L. Timmerman, dentist, who is away on a hunting trip in Florida. The public library, situated on the second floor, was considerably damaged by water, as was the office of Mr. A. Huff, fertilizer dealer. Considering the high wind blowing at the time and the proximity to other valuable property, the fire gave promise of causing considerable loss, but it was put out before being allowed to spread. Davis Roper Company's big millinery store, situated next door, was saved from either fire or water damage by a fire-wall separating it from the bank building.

FIRE IN SUMTER STATION.

Baggage, Mail Sacks, Dog and Parrots Burned Friday Night.

Sumter, Jan. 5.—Fire of an unknown origin early yesterday morning came near destroying the Atlantic Coast Line passenger station and did practically ruin more than fifty trunks and numerous suitcases and hand-satchels which were stored in the baggage room over night. Railroad officials were unable to give any estimate of the damage done, but thought it would be extremely heavy.

The fire is supposed to have caught from the furnace underneath the baggage room and burned upward through the floor of the baggage room and on upward through the ceiling and roof. This part of the building was ruined and the walls of the adjoining rooms were scorched and smoked up. A handsome bird dog and two parrots were in the room and were burned to death. Two United States mail sacks, two bicycles and all of the office supplies of the baggagemaster were destroyed or ruined.

Among the baggage there was a number of trunks which had been placed in the room the night before, and which had not even been checked, and which probably will prove total losses to the owners.

TWO KILLED, MANY INJURED.

Passenger Train Crashes Through Trestle Near Mobile.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 3.—Two men are known to have been instantly killed and more than a score seriously injured, some of whom may die, when a New Orleans, Mobile and Chicago passenger train bound for Mobile, crashed through a trestle at Leaf, Miss., this afternoon.

The known dead: Oscar Shepherd, news agent, Mobile; Jim Norman, negro porter, Mobile. The engineer, whose name is not known, and a woman passenger are also reported killed.

Seriously injured: Woods, baggage master; — negro mail clerk; John Grayson, bridge foreman, and others not yet identified.

Thirteen negroes were badly hurt when the negro coach plunged from the trestle to the swamps below. The baggage coach telescoped with the tender of the engine. The engine, one of the heavy new type, is said to have been too much for the frail trestle. A relief train sent from Mobile is expected back in the city later to-night.

Buys Barnwell People.

Barnwell, Jan. 6.—Mr. B. P. Davies, for a number of years connected with the Barnwell People in various capacities, has purchased the paper from the executors of the will of the late Major John W. Holmes, and will continue its publication. The policy of the paper will be along the lines laid out by its former editor, whose unspoken motto was "the square deal." New material, however, will be ordered at once and the typographical appearance of the sheet changed.

Sheriff J. B. Hunter Retiring from Office.



Editor The Bamberg Herald:—I desire to thank my many friends in Bamberg and Barnwell counties for what they have done for me in my past life. I am now retiring from the office of Sheriff of Bamberg county, which I have filled for the last fifteen years. I have done my best to serve my people faithfully, and hand over the office without a blemish—no charge against the office. I have filled many offices of trust in Barnwell and Bamberg counties, and I can truthfully say there is not a thing any one can say against my official duties in all my life. I have tried to treat all my friends as I would like them to treat me. I have never had a prisoner in my charge to say he did not get enough to eat, and never had a rule to show cause or presentment by a grand jury against me but what I was sustained and exonerated by the courts. I am done with politics I think, as my health and age will not allow it. Again I desire to thank every one for what they have done for me in all my past life, and I pledge myself to try to live up to my past standard in every respect. Sincerely, J. B. HUNTER.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

Notice.—Town taxes are now due and payable to the town treasurer at his office over Bamberg Banking Co.

Salesmen Wanted to look after our interest in Bamberg and adjacent counties. Salary or commission. Address THE VICTOR OIL COMPANY, Cleveland, O.

For Sale.—At bargain prices, 15 head horses and mules; four two-horse wagons; all kind of farming implements, grain drill, mowers and rakes, hay press, reaper and binder; also ear corn 80 cents the bushel; pea vine hay \$1.00 per hundred; fodder \$1.35 hundred, delivered Bamberg. Also have some hogs for sale. See Julian Gray near Cope, S. C. VERNON BRABHAM, Columbia, S. C.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that all debts due the estate of N. C. Crosby, deceased, are payable to the administrator, or E. H. Henderson, his attorney, at Bamberg, S. C., and that all claims against this estate should be filed, duly probated and itemized. J. A. WYMAN, Administrator. Bamberg, S. C., Nov. 25, 1912.

NOTICE FINAL DISCHARGE. I will file my final accounting as guardian of Imogene Dougherty (nee Cope) and Ira M. Cope with G. P. Harmon, Judge of Probate for Bamberg county, on Saturday, January 18th, 1913, and will ask for letters of discharge as guardian of said persons. JOHN H. COPE.