

COMING, GOING, GONE.

Here, There, Everywhere—Bits of Home News Mixed With the Names of Friends of Passage and Their Destination.

Read Advocate ads. Have you seen the Blue X? Today cotton is bringing 8.5¢. A merry Christmas to one and all. Mrs. Norris Gantt, of Monetta, was here Friday. Mr. Bennie Carson, of Saluda, was in town last Thursday. Mr. Nathan Jones, of Wards, was here on business Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Coppeland, of Baxter, were in town last week. Miss Lula Bouknight, of Chincoguin was in town shopping last week. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gunter, of Seivern, were in our midst Friday. Good-natured Charlie Kueeee, was with us several days last week. Mr. Walter Lybrand, of Beulah, was in town looking for Santa Claus last week. Mr. John Gibson, of Seivern, was shaking hands with friends in our town Friday. Miss Lottie Ridgell as fair as for years at home from the G. F. C. for Xmas turkey. Mrs. Burgess and daughter, of Steedman, were here shopping for Xmas, Monday. Miss Mannie Bates gladdened our hearts by coming home for the Xmas-tide, Friday last. Mr. Hattawanger Rawl, one of Leesville's most excellent citizens, was here Thursday. Mrs. Addison Minick and Mrs. Matie Minick, of Mt. Willing were in the city last week. Mrs. Smith Bouknight, of Enory was buying Christmas goods in our town last Friday. Miss Lil Haynes, of Leesville, with a number of the little folk, was in town shopping Friday. Messrs. Haskell Gantt, Alfred Gunter, Loyd Gunter, all of Steedman, were on our streets Saturday. Miss Mary Cooner, who is teaching in Walterboro, is at home for the holidays, to the delight of many. Misses Kate and Lucille Cullum, headed away from college Saturday last and came home, that was right too. Mr. Tom Barr and his daughter, Miss Daisy, were in town, making purchases for Santa Claus, Saturday last. Miss Lullie Branch, a charming little miss from Augusta, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Whitten during Xmas. Miss Mary Eliza Fox arrived yesterday from the Presbyterian College for Women. None more beloved than she. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shiras and daughters, of Lorena, Lexington county, were in town laying in a supply of Xmas goods Tuesday.

Lieut. Wig Fox and Cadets Buck Cullum and Halsey Fox, the three darling brass button cadets of our town, are here for Xmas goodies. Mr. Hill Bouknight, the affable gentleman and excellent gentleman from the Saluda side was in town with cotton Thursday. Mr. Eff Ridgell, Batesburg's representative at Furman this year, is at home to get his share of the good things. A great boy is Eff. Miss Kate Gaine, the accomplished music teacher of last year, is with her friend, Mrs. T. B. Kernaghan. All are delighted to have her with us. Miss Esther Manville, has gone to her home in Barnwell to spend the holidays. The little folks, and big folks, too, wish her a jolly Xmas. Edward Hardin, big bodied and large hearted and able bodied, is at home for the holiday from Wofford. "Big Doc" is "bigger than us" now. Prof. J. R. T. Major left for Greenwood Saturday, where he goes to spend the Xmas tide with the folks at home. Prof. Major has endeavored himself to our entire town, all wish him a merry Xmas. Mr. Malcolm Harris, of the South Carolina College, is in town for a few days. Having completed the full course last June, he is taking the Law course this year and will be an "Esq." in the near future. Miss Lyl Crossland, the popular music teacher of the Graded School, left for her home in Bennettsville, Monday morning. Many hearts are sad thereby. They may be consoled by the knowledge of the fact, that she will soon be back, the same as ever.

Mr. Whit Watson, cashier of our bank, bank, has a policy for protection against robbery, both night and day, and all monies are as safe as in the hands of the United States Treasury. Business men should see that their money is deposited in the National Bank. Mr. Kell Ganst, one of the thrifty Sand Hill farmers, from below Stuart, was here Friday with a load of cotton. Mr. Ganst says Batesburg is the best cotton market in all this region, and he is dead right. Facts count. The people bring their cotton and produce and are satisfied. The proof of the pudding is chewing the bog. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cullum, celebrated the fifth anniversary of their happy marriage on Friday evening. They and friends shared the whole hearted hospitality of their charming home. The home was beautifully decorated with holly and mistletoe, being artistically arranged in a most pleasing manner. Delightful refreshments were served in a most tasty style by fair hands. The happy couple were the recipients of many lovely presents from friends at home and abroad. We wish for them many, many years of increased happiness. Col. Copeland, who is lecturing in the Open House Friday evening, lectured in Augusta before a very large audience, and the Augusta Chronicle commenting on the lecture, says he is the best lecturer that has been before the people of that city. We want to see our people show appreciation of things that improve and develop. It is nothing but complimentary to any town to give a full house to the show, which borders on the vulgar, which is anything but improving and to allow an entertainment that is conducive to public morals, and improving the better natures of the young men and young women of this community to be scantily patronized.

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If The Blue X is marked by the side of your week's paper, you are due us.

CORRESPONDENCE
Ridge Spring.
The Ridge Spring High School closed for the holidays last Friday with an entertainment and supper which was enjoyed by quite a large crowd. Prof. F. A. Jones will spend the holidays at Salley's visiting home-folks. Mr. Jube Strother is on a business trip to Wallhalla. Mr. J. C. Jones, of near our town, has been to the city to see Mr. Wards. We regret very much to lose such an estimable family as Mr. Jones'. Mr. D. C. Strother has returned from Atlanta, Ga., and resumed his duties as bookkeeper for the Ridge Spring Oil Mill. Mr. S. F. Senterford was at Leesville and Batesburg Thursday. Mr. J. O. Jones of Wards bought a horse of mine last week from Timmerman & Sawyer. Our former townsmen Mr. F. S. Baldwin of Columbia was in town last week as jovial as ever. Mr. Claude Sawyer of Sawyer S. C. was in town Monday.

On last Monday night, Hampton Lodge No. 314 A. F. M., held its annual election and installation of officers with the following result. W. M., F. P. Boatwright; S. W., J. F. Senterford; J. W. H. Senterford; Secretary, E. C. Angelo; Treasurer, W. T. Durham; S. D., B. T. Boatwright; J. D. J. N. Burton. Mr. G. E. Sawyer made a business trip to Wadesboro last week. Miss Timmerman Sawyer has a fine lot of young males that they are selling at bargain. Fattening cattle seems to be quite a business for the farmers here, as there are several farms. Messrs. Thrall and Senterford, J. W. Thrall, H. C. E. Watson, B. T. Boatwright and J. J. Watson, have fine herds of steers that are fine. Mr. Maveolis Brogan of Alabama has been visiting Mr. J. O. Powell. S. M. Jones of Wards was in town last Thursday shaking hands with his many friends. Mr. Auslin Ashill of Monetta was in town Thursday, as full of life as ever. Messrs. M. M. Mitchell, P. J. W. J. Quantelbaum, A. O. Jones and R. M. Watson, college boys at Clemson College, will spend the holidays at home. Mr. T. D. Villara, of Monetta was in town Friday smiling as pleasantly as a sport. Mr. H. P. Cato, was at Aiken Thursday. Mr. D. P. Gato of Monetta was in town Friday riding his fine horse. Mr. W. H. Thrall is making his beautiful residence, which makes it a very attractive modern house which would be credit to a city. Mr. J. W. Seigler is having his residence remodeled and when completed will be very attractive.

Leesville.
This has been a good year for Leesville. Probably the best year the town has ever seen. The growth and prosperity has been phenomenal. And indicative of a stop. If the growth continues it will be a very short time when Leesville will be second to none on the road. It would be asking too much of the Advocate to space to review all of the things that are being done. Suffice it to say that everything is on a solid healthy boom. Most of the towns are looking for their boys and girls to come home from college to spend Christmas. Not so in Leesville. It shows the high esteem in which Leesville college is held by our people that not one boy or girl from Leesville is away at school. They all attend Leesville College and graduate from any College. While we are not looking for our boys and girls from school we are expecting our teacher boys and girls. The town of Leesville has twenty men and women teaching in all schools, all graduates of Leesville College and there are no teachers that stand higher than these. Here are the names: Misses Bessie Mitchell, Carrie Mitchell, Ida Bell Branch, Lulu Oxxon, Gertrude Oxxon, Eliza Edwards, Mary Derrick, Mattie J. Adams, Bertha Adams, Eliza Baynes, Man Brice, Herbert, Sidell Watson, Lida Smith, Lida Able, Violetta Crosson, Nettie Matthews, Messrs. W. H. Oxxon, Furman Able, Foyess Smith and Chas. Derrick. Besides these Miss Mary Able and the Messrs. Smith with a live bear and are Leesville girls.

Leesville College dismissed Friday for the holidays 'til New Year's day. Next to all of the students' own homes. No more than six remain here. The prospects are good for a large increase in the enrollment after Christmas. Rev. R. C. Boydware of the Mt. Carmel, a brother of Mrs. Fanny Meyer, of this place, and many Miss Sue Watson of Batesville, Darlington County, on the 20th and being his bride here to spend Christmas. Miss Watson has two sisters in College. Rev. J. E. Anderson, and family left Wednesday for their home at Whitesburg. These good good people spent four years in Leesville and made so many friends that it was a trial to give them up. Rev. J. C. Justice and family have arrived and are making themselves at home. Rev. Justice preached in the Methodist Church yesterday and made quite a favorable impression. Prof. Chas. Derrick and wife and his sister Miss Mary Derrick all whom are teaching at flourishing school in Darlington County are spending Christmas at home with their mother, Mrs. Lizzie Derrick and the relatives. Prof. W. P. Childer of the South Carolina College, is in town at home with his family, formerly of the Leesville faculty is here spending Christmas. There is no place like Leesville for Prof. Childer.

Mr. E. J. Etheridge went over to Wagramon, Ga. last Tuesday to attend the marriage of his brother, Leo Etheridge. Mr. Etheridge is the popular Carroll Adams Shoe Company's drummer. He and his bride are off to the northern cities on a bridal tour. They will be in Leesville by Friday to spend part of Christmas here.

If you feel ill and need a pill without purchase the best? DeWitt's Early Risers Are little surprises, Take one if you do the rest. W. H. Howland, Houston, Texas, writes: I have used Little Early Risers pills in my family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family. For sale by Batesburg Drug Co.

Fellon

The farmers are about through sowing small grain in this vicinity. There is more wheat sown this year than usual. Mr. L. W. Wise's new dwelling is about completed, he will move in it shortly. Mr. Simon L. Lucas has moved to his place about four miles from Pellon, and Mr. W. F. Best, our official Depot agent, and operator has moved in Mr. Lucas' house.

M. J. W. Scollif went to Lexington one day this week on business. Messrs H. C. Scollif and Jno. J. Jefeant went to Lexington last Wednesday to attend the Odd Fellows meeting. Miss Bessie, daughter of Mr. S. E. Berry, was buried at Florence church yesterday. We extend our heartfelt sympathy for the bereaved parents and relatives. Mr. Charlie Smith is out again after a severe attack of fever. Dr. D. R. Kneese went to Columbia one day this week on business. Mr. D. E. Shumpert spent Monday in the Capitol city. Mr. D. B. Spauler has just returned from Florida, where he has been looking for turpentine timber. Our school, under Prof. J. V. Smith is in a flourishing condition, over fifty pupils on the roll. Miss Kate Hattawanger is visiting her sister Mrs. J. C. Fort. There will be a Xmas tree at Smith Branch School house Xmas eve. The weather is lovely now, hope it will continue so.

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Summit.
Things are quiet about here at present, hence news items are extremely scarce. The sanatorium of the "News Letter" is closed for a few days as the editor is off on a business trip on the C. & W. R. R. We will have some changes in our citizens in a few days now, as some will leave and others take their places. Such is life. We are having quite a good singing school here twice a month. A Mr. Sherry, from the Clay section, is in charge. We have the pleasure of meeting our old friend Mr. Foutz every few days now. He used to be with a Seaboard Air Line near Demerik, but is now located as section master at Gilberts. Our old friend, Dr. Pope Hite pays our town a visit occasionally and comes in as joyous as days of yore. From the way things look at present, it seems as though the God had given this section the jump as the demand for orange blossoms in the near future will be great. Our friend, Mr. Cyrus Sherry is setting along nicely with his school some three miles out. Also our friend, Mr. Elmer Smoky, (whom we delight to tease) is wielding a successful birch near here.

Now, Mr. Editor, enough of such as we are giving you. Come to see us and we will give you a mess of new onions, as we are raising them this year. RILEY ERASITES. Listen! Listen! Listen!! Batesburg is to have the pleasure of having Col. Coppeland, the king of the platform, Friday evening, at the Opera House, at 7:30 P. M. He is a brilliant and accomplished orator and has for several years filled the ranks of the best of places in which he engaged there are 500 in the U. S. and thousands which he has guaranteed of his success. It is to be hoped that our people will turn out and accord this popular lecturer a full house. The young men of Batesburg have guaranteed his money and it is no more or less the duty of our people to patronize this elevating entertainment. POSTOFFICE ROBBED.—The Robbers Get But Little For Their Work, Doing an Unsuccessful Job. Safe crackers visited our town last week. Friday night a gang had pulled the S. C. Railway postoffice at this place, a note. Entrance to the building was made by raising a bar in the rear end, admittance to the postoffice being gained by forcing the lock between the printing off and the post office. The gang evidently had the key of the door, as they seem to have done their work in less than an hour. The safe was soaped around the cracks in order to keep out the air and give the gang as much force as possible. And it did not even for the handle being broken off in the explosion they would have been successful, as it was they only obtained a few dollars from the cash drawer. They were after nothing but "cool cash," as was made evident by the fact that they gave no one any warning, and all other articles lying around that an ordinary thief would take, but they took nothing but money. Had they succeeded in getting the safe open they would have gotten a very little more cash, for our postoffice has more "horse sense" and business ability than to have cash lying around, realizing that we have a bank, and that it is the place in which to deposit money. The robbery occurred between one and two o'clock. There is a key to our new clock located near the postoffice, and its registry shows that the clock was wound at the proper time. Suspicious characters have been seen around here the past week but they do not seem to be connected with the robbery. We are glad that the robbery turned out to be a water haul, and while we sympathize with Mr. Kueeee on account of the loss of his safe, we extend thanks to the robbers for treating us in such a considerate manner. When we heard of the robbery, before we got to the office, we expected to find things in our shack in bad shape, but are glad to say that they treated us with the same care that they extended to our offices and let things strictly alone.

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Lexington.
The Town Council has nearly finished its work on the business portion of the budget. A great improvement has been made. A lot of cotton has been sold here within the last ten days; and Christmas purchases are plentiful in consequence of it. Mr. Charlie Geizer is able to be out again after a severe sickness. Mrs. Lizzie Boozer spent last Friday in Columbia. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Corley have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Hattie Virginia to Mr. Walter Coughman, of St. Stephens Lutheran church on the night of December 26th. There are rumors about that other marriages are to take place in the near future. The graded school authorities will give from Christmas eve until New Year's day as holiday. The patrons of this office have been put on very much of late on account of delayed mail trains. In consequence of which subscribers to daily papers have been forced to wait until night to read the news of the previous day. The State very often comes down on the freight train in the morning, but since the mid train has been late that paper has been kept until its arrival. The bridge across the pond below the court house has not been put on yet, although the bridge proper was completed several weeks ago. The bridge above referred to has been since opened. Arrangements have been completed for the giving of a Christmas tree at the Baptist Sunday school on the night of Christmas eve. All the young folks are anticipating a delightful time, and they will be made by some of the young men of the town. Mr. E. L. Ashill, of Leesville, was in town last week. Subscribe for the Advocate.

The Boy Preacher at Huton. When it became known that Metz Joyner, the boy preacher, from Georgetown, was in this section, the Sunday School at Huton School House, immediately invited him to preach. He accepted the invitation and made an appointment for Saturday night and Sunday morning. At both services the small building was crowded, some came for curiosity, while others were there to hear the Gospel, as it were explained by the young preacher. But what ever was the object in coming all that way, feeling that they had been blessed by hearing the "word of warning" they fell from the lips of the young speaker. It is wonderful to see such a large congregation united in one and glad with the singer, others unto God and be saved. This boy though young, has remarkable style of preaching. His voice is clear and musical; his language plain and fitting. We feel certain that in time to come he will be a power in helping to build up the Kingdom of our Master. The services held at Huton has made an impression that we hope will last. At the close of these services the congregation united in praising and glorifying God, for things that have been hid from the wise and prudent and has been revealed unto babes. WHAT'S IN A NAME? Everything is in the name when it comes to which Hazel Salvo, E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered, and named, how to make a salve from which Hazel that is a specific for Piles, For Blind, Bleeding, Itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salvo has no equal. This salve is also a cure for hemorrhoids, hemorrhoids, hemorrhoids, hemorrhoids. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine.—For sale by Batesburg Drug Co.

The way to lose a friend is to have him get rich while you stay poor. Financiering is keeping people from finding out what you haven't got. Man steals the furnace by day and the devil puts it out in the night. A great many men would want to go to O. J. Harris Batesburg and Smith & Crosson Leesville, against it. My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind. "that was completely cured by King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache, 25¢ at O. J. Harris Batesburg and Smith & Crosson Leesville.

WANTED—One thousand bushels of "Cow" and "Peas." Highest cash price paid. W. Watson, Batesburg, S. C.
ADDITIONAL LOCALS.
Mr. Hartley, a honored citizen from near Summit, was here Tuesday. Mr. Louis J. Langford and his family were in these parts shaking hands with friends, yesterday. Miss Pearl Padgett and her brother, Mr. Earnest Padgett, of Mt. Willing were here Monday. The "young American" converted the streets of our town into "Coney Island" this week. Mr. Crosson Sease, a most excellent young man from the Holyoke section, was in town Friday. Senator J. B. Sudduth, former and politician of Seivern was in town Tuesday with Miss Vera Banks. Mr. Harber, a popular number boy, is spending the holiday with his friend Mr. Julian Cullum. Mr. Harber has many friends who are delighted that he is among us. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Jones, of Wards, visited the former Mr. J. P. Jones, of our town. This is a newly married couple and the Advocate extends congratulations. Mr. Jennings from Orangeburg, representing the Bell Telephone company was here Tuesday, in the interest of the company. There are prospects of this company being put to this town and it is hoped that such will be at no distant date. Mr. H. K. Kueeee, of Batesburg, representing the Bell Telephone company was here Tuesday, in the interest of the company. There are prospects of this company being put to this town and it is hoped that such will be at no distant date.

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