

BATESBURG ADVOCATE

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2.

Bird dogs are in great demand.

Read the Advocate, it tells you all the news.

Winter tourists have commenced their flight South.

Leesville Bank will soon throw open its doors for business.

Batesburg bonds have been sold at par value and the money \$20,000.00 is in hand.

The building progress has not been impeded up to this time by cold weather.

Look at the statement of our Bank last week and then cry out hard times if you dare.

It will not be so very many days before Old Santa Claus will fill the fire-side stockings.

Many new turnouts are being seen on our streets of late. Don't forget your best girl boys.

Batesburg has one of the best telephone systems that can be constructed. We venture to say there is none better in the entire South.

Plant hedges instead of building pens around your houses, they are green all the year and beautify your homestead. Fences cost more and make the house look squat.

President Roosevelt's visit to the World's Fair, which was regarded by many with serious apprehension was a most successful one. The Secret Service Men had but little trouble with cranks and other persons who always want to see and speak to the president.

NOW OR NEVER.

With this edition we are sending out 5000 copies of the Advocate, over 2000 of these papers go to those who are not subscribers, but men whose names have been carefully selected from the ledgers of Merchants who do business within a radius of thirty miles of Batesburg, and men of commercial standing in their respective communities; for this reason we send you the paper as an invitation to become a subscriber and at the same time let you personally inspect the Advocate columns and judge for yourselves if the paper is not worth fully as much as any weekly published in the State of South Carolina. The offer we make on another page of this issue fully explains itself and breaks all records of anything that has ever been done in Southern Weekly Journalism as far as the subscription price is concerned. But like every other business enterprise, we have a motive, and that is to increase our circulation far beyond what it is now and to make our hard-earned circulation 5000 by January 1st, 1905.

We wish to state to our readers the number which leaves this post-office each week from now until Dec. 31, '04 is 5000 and those who have not been able to pay one dollar heretofore can now enjoy it almost necessity and surely a luxury for one whole year for the price of a plug of tobacco.

It will not be amiss here to suggest to our advertisers that now is the time for them to take advantage of this huge circulation and thoroughly publish the fact that large shipments of Christmas goods are daily arriving and that now is the time for the buyers to make their selections. Many of the merchants have large stocks to select from, and don't forget "there is no time like the present" or "do not put off for tomorrow what can be done today."

My readers, read the Advocate carefully concerning both the reading and advertising matter, give it a fair test and then you will not hesitate to send us your dime and receive the Advocate for the whole year or fifty two consecutive weeks.

WANTED - Everyone who has printed stationery to remember that we have just received a fine line of Stationery and inks - that our type faces are new and stylish and that the Advocate Job Office is turning out first-class work.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

If you owe me anything please come in and settle; or if you are unable to pay, make satisfactory arrangements. Should I not hear from you, I propose in the near future to publish in three papers a list of those few who owe me with absolutely no amount and that you will then find. An honest man is never too old to give you anything from you I will be glad to see the papers.

Reference to accounts on 1st, 1904. J. HARRIS.

Shoe
thing Co.,
SOUTH CAROLINA.
Furnishing Store between
We carry anything to be
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our goods you will be con-
while the entire stock is

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
Now is the time to be ready for Christmas. The early buyers get the choice of the stock, and on payment of part of the price we will hold any article for you until wanted.

The Pacific Life of California is now issuing just such a Policy that suits everybody - If you live we pay you, if you become disabled from accidents of any kind we pay you - Or illness of any kind we pay you, or if you die we pay your wife or your children or your estate as you desire it paid - now I want a few good true men to sell these great contracts for me.

Old line, legal reserve, as all other good companies and \$20,000,000 special fund - No Extra charge - write with references for agency, or if you want a Policy drop me a card and we will come to see you.

C. L. JONES,
Special Dist. Agt.,
P. H. Lachicotte & Co.
1424 Main Street
COLUMBIA, S. C.
Telephone me.

For Choice Family Groceries

SEND TO

R. B. and D. McKay

COLUMBIA., S. C.

Where a full line of choicest articles both staple and FANCY may always be found. Prompt attention given to both mail and telephone orders and satisfaction guaranteed. Keep us in mind.

Telephone No. 57. R. B. & D. McKay.

INSURE Your Life in the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Newark, N. J. Organized in 1845. Assets Over Policies issued upon healthy lives between ages of 14 and 70 years; ages below 21 being rated at age 21. Policies issued for any amount from \$500 to \$50,000. Policies non-forfeitable after 2d year.

W. F. Stieglitz's GUN STORE

[Successor to F. W. Husemann]

Full Line of sporting goods supplies, Ithaca Hammerless guns, ammunition and many Holiday gifts of various kinds. Repairing done at short notice.

1508 Main St., Columbia, S. C.

Telephone No. 276.

GLASS

we are wholesale and retail dealers in

Window and Plate Glass. All kinds of Building and Ornamental Glass.

Investigate the great advantage of our **PAINTS**

Moore's Pure House Colors,

A ready mixed paint made with pure linseed oil only. If bought regularly the price would have to be \$1.50. Sale price \$1.00 per gallon. TINTED GOODS - Regular price \$1.25; sale price \$1.00.

Lorick & Lowrance, Inc.,
COLUMBIA, S. C.

King Cotton Is Comig.

My Xmas stock of goods ready just coming in and in a few days I will be ready to show a complete line of goods of all kinds. These goods were bought with great care and particular attention given to the selection of same. My line of dress goods will please the most fastidious, in fact the whole stock is complete and will be sold at prices that will please the most particular buyer.

J. C. Glover.

PRINTED STATIONERY

We have just received a full supply of the finest Unprinted Stationery between Columbia and Augusta. Call and let us Print some of it up for you.

THE BATESBURG ADVOCATE.

WILD BILL'S FIRST FIGHT.

Wild Bill, whose real name was James Hickok, first came West in 1837, and drove an ox team on the plains for Major & Russell in 1850. He subsequently engaged himself to the Overland Stage Company as stock tender and was put in charge of a new stage station on Rock Creek, near the old Kandias station, which was generally known as Robbers' Roost. This was the head quarters of the McKandias gang, a crowd that had held together since the Missouri-Kansas border ruffian days and generally had things their own way. A man named Ricklin, and a number one stage hand, was the superintendent. He tried to buy out the McKandias station; but failing in this, he built a new one near by, putting young Hickok in charge. Up to that time he had never experienced trouble with any one and was not likely to have friction, especially with the old station keeper, McKandias, or his men.

In the winter of 1866 McKandias and his nephew and four other men passed by the station on horseback, leading an old man who was afoot. They had a rope around the old man's neck, and occasionally they would take a few turns around the horn of the saddle, make a run on the rope and jerk the old man down and drag him on the ground until he was nearly dead. The only spite they had against him was that he was a North Methodist preacher. If Wild Bill was anything he was an abolitionist and free soiler and loyal to the United States.

The McKandias gang were planning to make a raid on several stations to secure the stock and go south. They told young Hickok they would take the stock. He replied that he would be there. When they returned in the evening two stopped at the corral, two went to the front and two to the back door of the hut or cabin. The young man told them he would shoot the first one who took down the bars of the corral. The elder McKandias fired at him, but missed. Hickok returned the fire with a rifle and shot McKandias through the heart. The next shot killed the nephew, and they both fell at the front door. Just then the two at the rear door opened fire. One shot from a double-barreled gun lodged seven full grown bullets into Hickok's right side and breast, several of them entering his lungs. The men that had stopped at the corral came to the assistance of those at the house. Hickok was then in a hand to hand fight with four men. He killed three of them in the house and wounded the other one so badly that he died on the prairie. - Md. Journal.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. See at O. J. Harris, Batesburg Drug Co., Timmons Bros., Crosson Drug Co. of Leesville.

A NOTABLE WEDDING AT ORANGEBURG.

(Special to the Advocate.)

The marriage of Miss Florence Bell Wilcock to Dr. Lewis Milton Mitchell of Batesburg on Wednesday November the twenty third at the First Presbyterian Church was quite a social event. The ceremony was performed by the brides brother Rev. Frank Wilcock, who was assisted by Rev. J. L. McLeach and Rev. J. H. Clifton. The church was artistically decorated in pond lilies and smilax.

M. S. F. L. Hood, Mrs. W. R. Lowman, Mr. H. C. Wannamaker and Mr. Alford Salley sang Lohengrin's bridal chorus. The ushers were Dr. Callhoun Doyle, Mr. J. W. Fairry, Jr., Dr. W. R. Lowman, Dr. A. C. Ligon, Mr. Jno. Cart, Mr. E. F. Malpass, Mr. Walter S. Wolfe and Col. T. F. Brantley. Dr. W. P. Zimmerman of Batesburg was best man and Master Reginald Wilcock nephew of the bride was ring bearer.

The flower girls little Miss Jennie Brooks Salley and Miss Gladys Cart, wore pink sun plaited silks. The matrons of honor, Mrs. F. F. Malpass and Mrs. Francis Robbins of California, and the maid of honor, Miss Fanny Sease, wore handsomely trimmed white silk gowns and carried carnations tied with pink ribbons.

The bride was lovely in a white crepe de chine over silk elaborately trimmed with plaitings of chiffon. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wilcock.

HANCOCK'S LIQUID SULPHUR.

The Best Blood Purifier Known - Invaluable as a Wash. Sulphur is nature's greatest germicide. Its value has been known for centuries, but it was never successfully produced as a liquid until the discovery of the method of making HANCOCK'S LIQUID SULPHUR. It is the best blood purifier known. HANCOCK'S LIQUID SULPHUR will save doctors' bills and make clear, brilliant complexions. Taken internally, it is invaluable in the spring. Used as a wash it kills germs, and cures and heals eczema, acne, itch, dandruff, prickly heat, diphtheria, cuts, burns, scalds, and all inflammations and sores. Ask your druggist for it, or write for booklet to Hancock Liquid Sulphur Co., Baltimore, Md.

Christmas Presents

To suit everyone, we can show you the finest line of china and glass ware, picture, plate glass mirror, lamps, the most elegant line you ever observed. DOLLS of every description from smallest to life size, watersets, military sets, toilet sets, comb and brush sets, fancy statuettes, gold plated card receiver, smoking sets, child toilet sets, shaving sets, writing sets, albums, games, books, bibles and testaments.

We can show you as elegant a line of jewelry as any city jewelry store. Our jewelry is of the very best quality and consists of cuff buttons, scarf pins emblem pins and buttons, gold and silver love ties, rings, ladies and gents watches, 14k gold filled with elgin, waltham and hamden movements. Candies of all kinds. Nunnally's Xmas packages are butes. Apples, oranges, raisins and nuts. See us before buying, for we can please you, and have prices to suit every one.

CROSSON DRUG CO.,
Leesville, S. C.

EARTHQUAKES.

Theories to Account For These Un-heavens of the Earth's Crust. A scientist who has made a special study of earthquakes says: "Let us imagine the influx of the sea into one of the fissures formed in the earth's crust. On coming into contact with molten matter it would instantly be changed into gaseous steam, expanding to more than 18,000 times its original bulk. This would press with enormous force upward upon the crust of the earth and downward upon the surface of the liquid lava. If there were then no vent for the lava to escape an earthquake would result." There are other ingenious theories which have weight, such as that of Davy, who when he discovered the metallic bases of the earths and alkalis conceived that water may penetrate to these metals if they exist underground in an unoxidized state and so set free sufficient gaseous matter to cause an earthquake. Shrinkage of the earth's crust is also to be taken into account.

PILES

"I have suffered with piles for thirty-six years. One year ago last April I began taking Cascarets for constipation. In the course of a week I noticed the piles began to diminish and at the end of six weeks they did not trouble me at all. Cascarets have done wonders for me. Can any other cathartic feel like a new man?" George Kyder, Naperville, Ill.

Cascarets
Best for The Bowels
CANDY CATHARTIC
THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good, Do Good, Never Sicken, Weaken or Grip. 25c. 50c. Never Sold in Bulk. The genuine tablet stamp. Guaranteed to cure or your money back. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N.Y. 50c ANNUAL SALE, TEN MILLION BOXES

Presents!

It don't matter what kind of present you want as long as you want good quality, we have it on hand. The latest in our line always find its way to our store, and this year the patterns are prettier and more tempting than ever before. The Silver, Ont and Engraved glass is simple, magnificent for displaying of

DIAMOND-JEWELRY

without any doubt the finest ever seen in the State. If you happen at any time to be near our store don't miss the opportunity of seeing our goods. You will always find that we are glad to show you. Remember we have only solid goods, and it will not take you long to see that our prices are the very lowest.

Sylvan Bros,
1524 Main Street,
Columbia, S. C.