

Let's Do It. O'er wayward childhood wouldst thou hold firm...

"Nil Desperandum." The opportunity has come and gone, and for the next twelve months Bennettsville has concluded to be content with her schools as they are.

Doing His Duty. Superintendent Rice is canvassing his field of labor in the counties of South Carolina in order to learn the needs of the schools, teachers and pupils.

A Pleasant Event. Rev. Mr. Corbett, of the Presbyterian Church paid a visit to the Marlboro Graded School on Wednesday last.

Crying Children. What to do with crying children is a vexed question among teachers. There are some children who cry at trifles, there are some who always cry, and yet again those who cry in order to soften the teacher's heart when he has punishment of any kind to inflict.

Pronunciation. A great many teachers, and a great many who are not teachers, would feel hurt to have one say that they pronounced their mother tongue incorrectly in very many instances. Yet such is the case, and there is no doubt that a reference to the orthoepists of the day would assist many of us.

Poor Writing. It seems to be the rule that most of the pupils in any school are poor writers. This may be remedied and a good way is to have pupils copy a great deal from work placed upon the black-board. Send pupils to the black-board frequently and have them write sentences upon it, this will be found to produce good results.

Hard Work. "How do you manage to keep your class rooms so neat and clean" was a question propounded me recently by a visitor to the Graded School. "By being scrupulously clean about my own desk and requiring pupils to be held accountable for all litter on the floor near their desks" and going from room to room during the day I comment on the tidiness or untidiness of the room and this spurs up pupils to be cleanly."

"Worth Reading." It is with pleasure that we have read some letters received by us from teachers in our State, during the past week, in which they spoke of this Department of the Marlboro Democrat. Thanks, fellow workers, for your kind words and we shall always strive to deserve your encomium, and make this Department "worth reading."

This is the Week. And Friday is the night of the entertainment for the benefit of the Marlboro Graded School. The money will be expended in a fence to enclose the grounds in front of the buildings. The entertainment promises to be a good one, and all who can should attend.

Marlboro Educational Society. This Society, composed of the citizens of Bennettsville, should have a warm place in the hearts of our people. They are generous in allowing the use of their buildings, without rent, for a school house and in putting their hands in their pockets in order to produce the funds necessary to equip the school.

THE PRIDE OF MARLBORO. Bennettsville's Excellent Schools and Teachers. A correspondent of the News and Courier writing from Bennettsville, on the 29th of January, has this to say concerning our schools: "One of the pleasantest hours I have spent in Bennettsville was as a visitor at the regular monthly meeting of the Marlboro Teachers' Circle, which met to-day at 12 M., and which is composed of nearly all the teachers of the county. They meet monthly to discuss subjects of interest in the advancement of schools and those directly concerned."

General discussion on various subjects. After a motion to thank Mrs. Campbell and Messrs. McMurray and Shipp for their essay and addresses, the Circle adjourned, to meet again on the last Saturday in February. Prof. E. E. Britton, principal, and Mr. J. A. McMurray, assistant, of the Marlboro Graded School, are the president and secretary of the Teachers' Circle. Among the subjects for general discussion was the important one, the management of stubborn and crying children. This certainly is very important, and requires the deep thought which the teachers seem to have given it.

Bennettsville is certainly blessed with a fine school, and Prof. Britton and his wife seem determined to increase the advantages of the school, and more than this, all the teachers of the county are enthusiastic in their work, and determined to increase the dignity, trust and honor that is attached to the position of one who has to mould the minds and morals of the youth of the land. Prof. Britton is a good worker and disciplinarian, and the school, under his management, is said by those who know to be equal to any in the State. All the patrons are pleased, and the scholars enjoy the school so much that they can't be kept away. It is to be hoped that the plan to have a free school in Bennettsville all the year will succeed, and that Prof. Britton will be retained to carry it on and to keep up the high standard which the present school under him has attained."

How Washington Was Saved. South Carolinians will probably be gratified to learn that the oil portrait of George Washington, which formerly adorned the walls of the House of Representatives in the State-House at Columbia, and was supposed to have been destroyed when the Union forces burned that city, has been discovered and there are prospects of its being returned to the State authorities. Gen. W. W. Belknap, who was a member of Gen. Sherman's staff at the time Columbia was fired, and who subsequently became secretary of war in Grant's Administration, was presented to Governor Thompson a few evenings ago at a reception. After exchanging the usual courtesies, the conversation drifted on to South Carolina affairs during the late war. Gen. Belknap, in relating his recollections of the burning of Columbia, said he was one of the last of the Union soldiers to leave the State-House. As he and his orderly were passing through the House of Representatives he observed the large portraits of Washington directly behind the Speaker's chair. There were, also, several other large portraits hanging upon the walls, which were doomed to perish in the flames. He pulled out his pocket-knife and cut Washington's picture out of the frame and bore it away as a souvenir and a war trophy. He says he might have saved all of the pictures in the same way, but his departure was somewhat hurried. The Washington picture is now in possession of Gen. Belknap.

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Railroad Guide. Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley R. R. Condensed Time Table No. 18. To take effect 1.00 P. M., Sunday, January 23rd, 1887.

Table with columns: Pass. and Mail, Freight and Pass., Time, Station. Trains moving North. 8:45 a.m. Leave Bennettsville 1:30 p.m. 10:05 a.m. Arrive Maxton 3:30 p.m. 10:20 a.m. Leave Maxton 4:10 p.m. 12:10 p.m. Arrive Fayetteville 7:45 p.m. 12:20 p.m. Leave " 10:30 p.m. 2:25 p.m. Arrive Sanford 2:50 a.m. 2:45 p.m. Leave Sanford 4:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. Arrive Greensboro 9:35 p.m. 6:45 p.m. Leave " 8:55 p.m. 8:55 p.m. Arrive Belew's Creek

Cheraw and Darlington and Cheraw and Wadesboro Railroad. COMING DOWN. Passenger Daily, except Sunday.

Table with columns: Station, Time. Leave Wadesboro at 7:40 a.m. Leave Bennetts 8:10 a.m. Leave Morven's at 8:25 a.m. Leave Macfarlan's at 8:45 a.m. Leave Cheraw at 9:35 a.m. Leave Cash's at 9:53 a.m. Leave Society Hill at 10:13 a.m. Leave Doves at 10:39 a.m. Leave Darlington at 11:03 a.m. Leave Palmetto 11:15 a.m. Arrive at Florence 11:35 a.m.

Table with columns: Station, Time. GOING UP. Leave Florence at 4:30 p.m. Leave Palmetto 4:45 p.m. Leave Darlington at 5:00 p.m. Leave Doves at 5:25 p.m. Leave Society Hill at 5:52 p.m. Leave Cash's at 6:14 p.m. Leave Cheraw at 6:30 p.m. Leave Macfarlan's at 7:22 p.m. Leave Morven's at 7:40 p.m. Leave Bennetts at 8:00 p.m. Arrive at Wadesboro at 8:30 p.m.

The Local Freight leaves Florence every day at 7.10 a. m., except Sunday, meets passenger train at Society Hill, arriving at Cheraw at 11.10 a. m. Leave Cheraw at 12.10, passes Society Hill at 1.20 and arrives in Florence at 4.00 p. m., making close connection with train for Wilmington.

North Eastern Railroad Co. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, Charleston, S. C., Dec. 12th, 1886.

Table with columns: Station, Time. Leave Florence. Arrive Charleston. No. 15—11.35 A M..... 3.20 P M. No. 23—12.30 A M 4.35 A M. No. 27— 1.30 A M 5.00 A M. No. 53 runs Solid Daily, except Sunday, and No. 55 Sunday only, from Columbia to Charleston via Sumter and Lanes, leaving Columbia 5 27 p m., arrive Charleston 9 45 p m.

Table with columns: Station, Time. Leave Charleston. Arrive Florence. No. 78—12.25 P M..... 4.30 P M. No. 66—12.05 A M..... 4.10 A M. No. 62— 3.55 P M 7.50 P M. No. 52 leaves Charleston Daily, except Sunday, 7 00 a. m., and runs solid to Columbia via Lanes and Sumter, arriving Columbia 10 55 a. m. No. 64 leaves Charleston Sundays only at 8 45 a. m., arriving Columbia 1 00 p. m. No. 15, 23, 27, 52, 53, 55, 62, 64, 66, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

Carolina Central Railway. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, } Wilmington, N. O. Dec. 20, 1886. } No. 1 Daily except Sunday.

Table with columns: Station, Time. Leave Wilmington at 6 00 a.m. Leave Shoe Heel 10 17 a.m. Leave Charlotte 3 45 p.m. Leave Shelby 7 08 p.m. Arrive Champton 8 35 p.m. No. 2 Daily except Sunday. Leave Champton 0 00 a.m. Leave Shelby 7 28 a.m. Leave Charlotte 10 28 a.m. Leave Shoe Heel 2 43 p.m. Arrive Wilmington 8 00 p.m. No. 3 Daily except Sunday. Leave Wilmington 7 00 p.m. Leave Raleigh 7 09 p.m. Arrive Charlotte 7 25 a.m. No. 4 Daily except Sunday. Leave Charlotte 8 15 p.m. Arrive Raleigh 8 35 a.m. Arrive Wilmington 8 45 a.m.

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