

THE LARGE NUMBER OF GRANITE QUARRIES in and around Faith give employment to many people who find work here all the year, as our winters are very mild. Now is the time of the year for the work to open for the summer. The Bernhardt Hardware and Furniture Co., of Lenoir, N. C., have given their contract for the granite work on their large new brick building to J. T. Wyatt of Faith, N. C. Wilmington, N. C., is getting their granite from the same quarry.

Faith was recently incorporated and an election will be held the fourth of May to elect town officers.

Mr. Monroe Bird died a few days ago—he leaves a wife and several children.

The string band here had a large crowd at their entertainment last evening.

The brass band is keeping up practicing since the teacher left them in good shape.

J. W. Frick has moved his saw mill from near Gladstone to near Faith where several hundred logs are piled up ready to be sawed up.

Miss Lena Wade of Tyro Shops, who has been visiting Misses Lilly, Sallie, Pearl and Ada Lingo her former Mount Pleasant Schoolmates, has returned home.

April 22, 1903. Venus.

THIS MAY BE YOUR OPPORTUNITY. Why not try Life Insurance as your vocation? You can secure a most attractive contract, on a commission basis, with one of the largest Life Insurance companies in the world. This territory is being thoroughly organized and application for an agency should be addressed without delay to J. H. Bruning, Gen'l Agent, Charleston, S. C.

BRIGHTSVILLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL FOR MARCH.

First Grade—Fannie Bundy, Elva Beverly, Annie Odum, Augusta Odum, May Stanton, Mary Stubbs, Pearl Usher.

Second Grade—Bessie Stanton, Daniel Odum, Allie May Odum, Maggie Usher, Benah May Odum, Marvin Usher, Thurman Prevatt, Rosa Usher.

Third Grade—Ruby Stanton, Allie Odum, Mamie Usher.

Fourth Grade—Cora Usher, Maggie Stubbs, Mary Haskew, Arthur Stubbs, Lucy Usher, Elizabeth Beverly, Lamar Bundy, Hattie Bundy, Grady Stanton, Bascomb Usher, Annie Beverly.

Fifth Grade—Rommie Odum, Martha Stubbs.

Sixth Grade—Lizzie Stanton, Bessie Odum, Lena Usher.

Miss Narcissa Emanuel, Teacher.

MAY NUMBER.

The May number of the Democrat is now ready for distribution. It contains a large amount of interesting and valuable material. The new arrangement of the paper is well received and the paper is becoming more and more popular.

Political Prejudice.

And now some of the newspapers are gnawing a file because Jno. L. McLaurin has been lucky in business, one of them going so far as to say he "received his reward for betraying his party." Political prejudice ought to let a man alone when he retires to private life, and a liberal mind ought to rejoice that even a political enemy has got a good place instead of going to grass—Newberry Observer.

General Grant was asked why he never swore. He replied: "Well, when a boy I had an aversion to swearing. It seemed useless, an unnecessary habit, and besides I saw that swearing usually aroused a man's anger. I early had a desire to have complete command of myself. I noticed when a man got angry his opponent always got the better of him. On that account also I determined to refrain from swearing. Then the swearing men of my acquaintance when a boy were not the best men I knew. I never saw any reasons for swearing. All were against it."

Light and Salt.

The Bishop of Ripon in likening the Christian to "light" and "salt", says: "The influence of light is clear and unmistakable; it displays itself by its own light; it can be seen and observed. The influence of salt is more subtle. It spreads unseen. It does not reveal itself to the eye. It makes its presence known by mingling unseen in other substances. We rather note its absence than observe its presence. Its function is without obtruding itself, to make food pleasant and palatable. It thus becomes the fitting emblem of that unconscious influence which is a part of character than of opinion. As light represents the distinct, vigorous and conscious influence of the intellect, and of the will in active agency, so salt represents that quiet, unspoken, felt, but unobserved influence which disposition or character can exercise."

New arrivals in Millinery at Mittle's store the up-to-date merchant.

Hermit.
Clio, April 1903.

Cotton Planters \$5 Each.
At C. S. McCall's.

PROGRAMME OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF MARLBORO COUNTY, PINE GROVE CHURCH, MAY 1 AND 2, 1903.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

9:30. Devotional Exercises. Roll call of delegates. Address of Welcome. Response. Appointment of Committees.

Song. Reports from Schools, verbal and statistical, by Superintendents and delegates.

Song. Discussion: Home Department of the Sunday School. Opened by Rev. A. B. Watson, J. C. Campbell, Rev. F. H. Skuler, W. Quick.

Song. Discussion: The Relationship of the Pastor and Church Officials to the Sunday School? Opened by P. A. Hodges, Rev. D. H. Everett, H. K. Covington, Rev. Allen Macfarlan.

RECESS.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock. Devotional Exercises. Discussion: Decision Day. Opened by Rev. A. T. Dunlap, T. C. Weatherly, J. F. Bolton, Rev. W. B. Baker.

Song. Discussion: The Pastoral Work of Sunday School Teachers. Opened by E. S. Carlisle, R. C. Newton, C. P. Hodges, A. D. Blason and Rev. T. L. Belvin.

Song. Reports from Committees. Question Box. ADJOURNMENT.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

9:30. Devotional Exercises. Reading minutes of first day.

Song. Discussion: How best to Educate and Inspire the Sunday School in Reference to Missionary Work? Opened by E. A. Montgomery, C. E. Peele, Press Bethen, Rev. J. W. Atrial.

Song. Election of Place of Next Conference. Question Box.

Song. Essay by Miss Ellen Barber.

RECESS.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock. Devotional Exercises. Discussion: Methods—Old and New. Opened by C. T. Easterling, E. L. Boykin, C. G. Bruce, W. Z. Dentzler.

Song. Miscellaneous Business.

ADJOURNMENT.

CHINESE MAGIC LANTERNS.

How They Differ From Those in Use in This Country.

The magic lantern, like porcelain, gunpowder and printing, may have been an invention of the Chinese. For more than twenty centuries it has been a staple amusement in the Celestial empire and has been developed into many forms unknown to the occident. The Middle Kingdom, which has been well termed "Tury Land," uses the magic lantern in just the opposite manner from what we do, having the light and picture behind the screen, the same as in our parlor amusement of shadowgraphs. The commonest form of the magic lantern in the extreme orient is a large box supported on a tripod or four legged table. The box is about 4 feet wide by 2 high, and its front is made of ground glass, oiled silk or oiled white paper.

Over the box is a light framework of bamboo and cloth, which reaches to the ground and conceals the operator from the audience, but leaves the glass exposed to view. A powerful lamp in front of a concave reflector throws a strong light upon the glass or screen, as the case may be. The top of the box and the sides are half open to permit the introduction of small figures. This arrangement gives four distinct classes of instruments. With all four instruments the following effects are produced:

A story is going the rounds of a youthful minister who, when he preached his first funeral sermon over a woman in a small Maine town, praised her so highly that the poor bereaved husband, sitting there listening, could not recognize her by the description. Finally, in a glowing peroration, he pictured God and the archangels, and the angels and all the hosts of the redeemed joyously forming a parade to welcome to heaven this "one of the very best of all women." The patient husband, who had never been able to rule his own household, could stand it no longer and leaping up, interrupted the preacher with a beaming hand, gasping out:

"No, no, Elder, not quite that! She was only about middle!"

San Francisco Argonaut.

All that is up-to-date in ready to wear hats, shirt waist suits, and slippers at Mittle's store.

Cures Blood Poison, Cancer, Ulcers, Scabs, Carbuncles, Etc. Medicine Free.

Robert Ward Maxey's (Ga.) says: "I suffered from a skin disease for several years, and after trying many remedies, I was cured by using your medicine. I feel like a new man now."

Nice Old Lady.—"Will you kindly tell me if the lady who writes 'The Mother's Page' every week in your paper is in the habit of telling her how much she has enjoyed reading her articles in 'The Evening Hour in the Nursery'?"

Boy—"That's him over there with the pink shirt smoking a pipe."—Yazoo Bazaar.

Trade at Mittle's store means the best for the customer.

Rates Bennettsville Electric Light Plant.

ADOPTED APRIL 16, 1903.

Each person to be supplied with light shall pay for the same as follows:

One Incandescent Light	Each person to be supplied with light shall pay for the same as follows:
Two " "	Two " "
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Churches, lodges, public buildings, Meter rates 10 cts per K. W. Users to buy their own Meters. 32 candle power 1 lamp \$1.15. 2 lamps \$1.05; 3 lamps 95 cts. Four or more lamps 85 cts each. Prices subject to be altered without amendment by the Board.

J. M. JACKSON, Cashier.
M. McLaurin, Secy.

ICE! ICE!

See V. L. Emanuel and special rates for ICE this season. Buy your tickets and save money.

V. L. EMANUEL
April 23, 1903.

WARNING NOTICE.

All persons are hereby forbidden to employ or harbor John Buchanan, colored youth of about 18 years, who left his home without permission and wanders about. I will enforce the law against any one who violates this notice.

JAMES BUIHANSKY
April 23, 1903.

Delegates to Grand Lodge.

At the last convention of Consolidated Lodge K. of P. Messrs P. B. Moore and C. D. Easterling were elected delegates to the Grand Lodge, which meets at Orangeburg on the 19th of May, and Messrs C. S. Chaffin and H. E. Stockton alternates.

COCA COLA
Is the most popular, refreshing, wholesome and healthful of all Soda Water Drinks. You will find the pure carbonated Coca Cola for sale at E. POWERS' Grocery, Marion street.
The best 5 cent drink on the market.

Notice of Court.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court of General Sessions for the County of Marlboro will convene at Bennettsville on the Fourth Monday in April, (being the 27th day thereof) 1903, and the Court of Common Pleas on the Wednesday next following said fourth Monday in April, (being the 29th day thereof) 1903, at Bennettsville in and for the county of Marlboro and State of South Carolina. All persons interested will take due notice thereof.

J. A. DRAKE,
Clerk of Court, P. & G. S.
For Marlboro Co., S. C.
March 19, 1903.—5

Dr. A. C. Noot,
Eye-sight Specialist
who is in McCall's store to inform the public that he has visited, since November, Sumner, Manning, Georgetown, Darlington, Hartsville and Bennettsville and has fitted over 1,500 men, women and children with glasses during that time. Dr. Noot gives a guarantee of five years in most cases. Should you have any defects as follows, call and see him at McCall Drug Co Store until May 4th.

Many cases of headache, neuralgia, nervousness, irritability, insomnia, vertigo, nervous prostration, and the seeming stupidity of children are often due to defective vision caused by an abnormal curvature of the cornea or crystalline lens, or to an irregularity of the refracting media of the eye, and are relieved at once upon the application of the proper glasses. Ninety per cent of people over forty years of age need glasses and fifty-five per cent of the ninety need them for distance.

SOME SYMPTOMS OF DEFECTIVE EYES.

1. If you are unable to read fine print, to sew, or do any fine work for any length of time, especially by gas or lamp light, you need glasses.
2. If the eyes ache or water or "burn" or "swim" or become "dim" or "hazy" or blurred when using them a short time, and you have to look hard to see plainly, you need glasses.
3. If you have a smarting or burning sensation, in or about the eyes, you need glasses.
4. If you find yourself looking sideways (turning the head to one side) or laying it over toward the shoulders to see an object plainly, you need glasses.
5. If you cannot see a distant object as plainly as you can see a near object, you need glasses.
6. If you see well at a distance, but do not see your work as plainly as glasses.
7. If you can't easily thread a needle, you need glasses.
8. If you become sleepy and tired feeling in the eyes after reading a short while, you need glasses.
9. If you have redness and irritation of the eyes and lids—usually there is a dull ache or discomfort in or about the eyes, you need glasses.
10. If you have a frowning expression about the eyes, squint or upon going into the sunlight do not see as well as your friends, you need glasses.
11. If you have glasses and they do not perfectly ease and comfort you, they are not right, and are an injury to your eyes.
12. If you need glasses now, you get them, and the sooner you get them the better for your eyes. A day's delay may be invaluable, and may be one day nearer total blindness. Then how foolish to get them later.
13. If you have glasses that do not perfectly ease and comfort you, get them examined. No one can examine eyes for you at Bennettsville office 366 King st.
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Ashcraft's Condition Powders are wrapped in doses. In fact, in their preparation the same care is used that a druggist would exercise in the filling of a physician's prescription. High grade and real merit is the first consideration.

Ashcraft's Powders consist of small doses, prepared from the purest and highly concentrated ingredients, that have been found beneficial to horses and mules.

Ashcraft's Condition Powders—always high grade—are not to be classed with the many bulky, good-for-everything powders now on the market.

Ask for Ashcraft's, the kind put up in doses, and good for horses and mules only.

"Having tried many kinds of Condition Powders, I consider Ashcraft's the best on the market. I take pleasure in recommending them to my friends and customers.—H. CAMPBELL, Hickory, N. C."

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This is to certify that we, the undersigned, have been planting the P. S. Stubbs famous Texas Wood Cotton Seed, selected from choice stalks, and we find the cotton to be exactly as represented by him. It is the equal, if not superior, to any variety of cotton that we have ever planted.

C. M. Weatherly,
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J. A. Drake,
E. A. Edens,
E. Sternberger,
J. T. Clark.

I planted some of the "Improved Cotton Seed" sold by P. S. Stubbs and I am well pleased with them.

C. S. McCall.
Nov. 17, 1902.

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Trade at Mittle's store it is the best for the least.

TRESPASS NOTICE.

All persons are hereby warned not to trespass on any of my lands or lands rented or controlled by me in Marlboro Co., either by walking, riding, hunting, fishing, or allowing any stock to run at large, or stacked or tied, upon same. Any violation of this notice will be dealt with as the law directs.

Feb 13, 1903. W. A. SMITH.

W. BOUCHER,
Attorney at Law,
Bennettsville, S. C.

Office on Darlington street near Posta Telegraph office. January, 1899.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ESTATE R. B. COVINGTON.

I, R. B. Covington, the executor of the late Dr. R. B. Covington are hereby notified to present their respective claims (tested and all indebted to the same) to make immediate payment to undersigned.

J. S. COVINGTON,
S. C., April 6, 1903. Administrator.

NEW ARRIVALS THIS WEEK
IN
MILLINERY,
SHIRT WAIST SUITS,
BELTS, SKIRTS AND SHIRT WAISTS,
AT
MITTLE'S STORE.

OUR MILLINERY LINE

Is as complete to day as it has been this season, and we shall continue to keep it so to satisfy the great demand in this Department. See the new creations in STREET HATS. They are very pretty. In order to see the correct things in Millinery you must see Mittle's line.

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We have a full line ranging in price from \$1.25 to \$5.00. Made stylish of the correct material for SPRING and SUMMER WEAR.

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In Silks, Lawns, Worsteds, Dimities and Percales, in Colors, sizes and prices to suit every one wearing from 32 to 44, in black or colors.

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BABY CAPS,

A complete line at prices to please you.

OUR DRY GOODS LINE, as always, brim full of snappy numbers of up-to-date weaves. Quality the best, prices the lowest, at Mittle's Store.

We have had the SLIPPER trade of our life this season for the reason that will explain itself if you will inspect the line. EVERYTHING that is correct in SLIPPERS for all size feet from the infant to the grandmother, is to be had at Mittle's, at prices that win trade.

REMEMBER, Everything for Everybody to Wear, at Bottom Prices, is What you get at

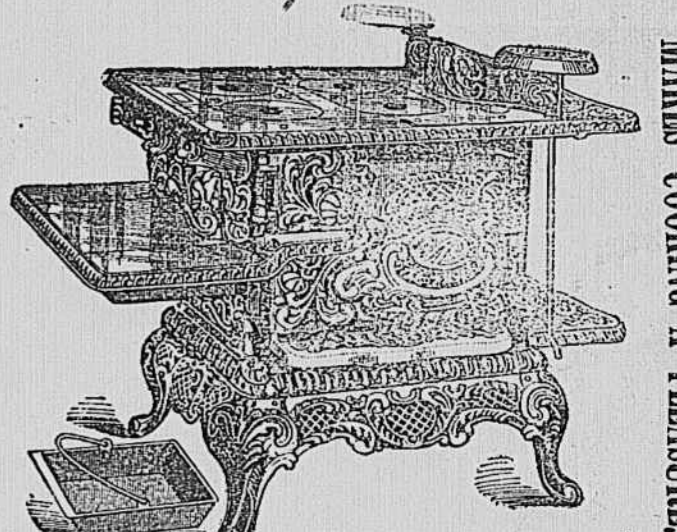
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APRIL 23, 1903.

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