

MUST PUBLISH THE REPORTS

SUPREME COURT DECISION IN FAIRFIELD CASE.

Simply An Oversight on Part of Marlboro Supervisor and Treasurer.

The state law says (Section 769 of the Civil Code): "The supervisors of the state are required to publish in some newspaper published in their respective counties, at least in one issue thereof, within fifteen days after each meeting of the county board of commissioners at which claims are audited, a full statement of the claims audited by said board at its meeting immediately preceding said publication."

"The said statement shall show, as published, the file number of the claim, the amount claimed, the amount allowed, the nature of claim or services rendered, and the name of claimant."

"Said publication shall be paid for at the rate now allowed by law for public printing: Provided, the same does not exceed sixty dollars per annum."

When this law was passed, in 1897, several counties, including Marlboro, were excepted from its operation. In 1902, however, the legislature struck out all of the exceptions, and made the law apply to every county in the state.

In 1907 the members of the legislature from Fairfield county had an act passed excepting Fairfield county from the operations of the law. Editor Foshe of the Winnsboro News and Herald carried the matter to the courts and got a mandamus from the circuit court compelling the supervisor of that county to publish his reports, on the ground that the act which excepted Fairfield county was unconstitutional. The supervisor then appealed to the supreme court, and that tribunal has just handed down a decision which sustains the circuit court and holds that the legislature cannot exempt any county from the operations of this law, but that it must apply alike to all the supervisors of the state.

There has been no act passed to except any county except Fairfield since the law was made general in 1902. Although it has applied to Marlboro since that time, no reports have been published by the supervisor in this county during the past three years.

When the matter was called to the attention of Supervisor Manning last week, he was not aware that the law required the reports to be published. He said that when he went into office, they were not being published. He had not been informed by the county attorney or anybody else that the law required them to be published. He had no intention of disobeying the law. The publication of the reports have been omitted simply because no one had called it to his attention and he was not aware that their publication was required by law. He said he would publish the reports from now on. The board meets every two weeks.

When Mr Coward, the ex-supervisor and present clerk of Supervisor Manning, was asked about the matter, he said that he published the reports up to the summer of 1905, the year before he went out of office. Mr Coward said that at this time the work of the office was so heavy, and he had no clerk, that he did not have time to get up the reports, and for that reason their publication was omitted.

The county treasurer's annual report shows the amounts paid out by him on orders of the supervisor, but the treasurer's report is published only once a year, while the supervisor is required to publish the transactions of each meeting separately. Then too, the supervisor's report is required to give fuller information about each

item than does the treasurer's. For instance, the supervisor is required to publish both the amount claimed and the amount allowed. It sometimes happens that the full amount of every claim is not paid. The law requires the county treasurer to publish his annual report at least two weeks before the second term of the criminal court each year. The second term of the criminal court this year convened here on May 18.

Last year the second term of the criminal court began on June 24. The treasurer's annual report last year was published on June 15, and showed the transactions of the office from June 5, 1906 to June 5, 1907. This year Treasurer Rogers overlooked the fact that the second term of the court had been moved up more than a month, and he has been preparing to again publish his report in June showing the transactions from June 5, 1907 to June 5, 1908. He has now finished making out the report, and has it ready for publication.

AN EDITOR INDICTED

Made Wedding Party Waltz at Point of Pistol.

Lexington, June 11.— Special: Editor N Rogers Bayly, of the Batesburg Advocate, was indicted by the grand jury last Tuesday for an assault with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapons. The indictment charges the assault as having been made with a pistol upon A J Bethea, private secretary to the Governor; Prof W C Allen, the Rev J I Allen and Dr S W Page. It is said that these parties were members of a wedding party stopping at the Batesburg Hotel, and while there the assault is alleged to have been made.

It was stated that they were ordered around their room in the hotel at the point of a pistol. This case was continued after the defendant gave bond. Mayor W C Bates, of Batesburg, was one of his bondsmen. It is said that the town authorities at Batesburg took no action in the matter.

Weak women should try Dr. Shoop's Night Cure. These soothing, healing, antiseptic suppositories go direct to the seat of these weaknesses. My "Book No. 4 For Women" contains many valuable hints to women, and it is free. Ask Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. to mail it. Ask the Doctor in strictest confidence, any question you wish answered. Dr. Shoop's Night Cure is sold by Jno. T. Douglas.

Brownsville News.

Brownsville, June 4—Crops in this section are looking unusually fine after the recent rains. It is better than usual at this season and the farmers are anticipating a fine yield.

There is a good deal of sickness in the community now though we hope none is serious.

Mr G M Hartley has been very sick but is improving.

People are rolling in the bounty of apples, peaches, plums, and vegetables, that one appreciates so much at this season.

Mr L Bascom Harper of Sumter is spending a few days at home.

Miss Pearl Brigman, who has been a student at Womans College Richmond for the last term and graduated has returned home.

Rev C M Peeler has been off assisting in a protracted meeting, but is expected to fill his next appointment.

Miss Mary Rogers has gone to commencement at Spartanburg.

HANDY FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SLICER

The Sensation of the Day in Kitchen Furnishings.

Nothing in recent years has been devised that adds so much to dainty cookery. It slices all kinds of fruit and vegetables in an infinite variety of fancy and attractive designs absolutely without waste.

J. A. Spears, Sole Agent for Marlboro, Darlington, Marion, Sumter, and Chesterfield counties Headquarters Bennettsville, S. C.

JOE McCOLLUM'S RIDE

Ran One of Mr. Graham's Horses 20 to 30 Miles a Hot Day

Last Thursday E D Graham was having some fertilizers hauled from the depot in a wagon drawn by a young horse. The colored driver, Alfred Green, had some trouble in keeping the horse still while he loaded, and old man Joe McCollum volunteered to get up in the wagon and hold the horse. Joe happened to be rather boozzy, and he had hardly got the lines in his hand when the horse dashed off down the road toward Blenheim, with Joe holding the lines and enjoying the ride.

Alfred started out to try to catch the horse, and ran behind the wagon all the way to Blenheim. Sometimes he would almost catch the wagon, but Joe would put whip to the horse and keep ahead. He lost sight of Joe and the team at Blenheim, but was informed there that they had gone down the road toward Drake. Alfred there gave up the chase and walked and ran back to Bennettsville to tell Mr. Graham what had happened. He was out of breath and completely exhausted when he got back.

Mr. Graham started out with another horse and buggy to hunt Joe and the horse. He found that they had gone to Drake and to various negro houses in that section and had then come back to Blenheim, where Joe got an extra bit and put on the bridle and fed the horse. They had again left there, going in the direction of Salem.

When Mr. Graham got back to town, he found the horse hithed in Joe's yard in west Bennettsville, and Joe had started to walk up town.

When found, Joe was all smiles, and said: "Mr. Graham, I didn't let him get away. I took care of him for you. I tell you that's a good horse. I remembered the favor you did for me one time, and I swung on to him and brought him back safe. I tell you the 'zint many niggers that 'ould a skint up his hands holdin' on to dat hoss".

There is a rumor afloat that the horse ran straight from Bennettsville to a blind tiger in the neighborhood of Hunt's Bluff, in spite of all that Joe could do, but that is only rumor.

If you haven't the time to exercise regularly, Doan's Regulates will prevent constipation. They induce a mild, easy, healthful action of the bowels without griping. Ask your druggist for them. 25c.

PAIN

Pain in the head—pain anywhere, has its cause. Pain is congestion, pain is blood pressure—nothing else usually. At least, so says Dr. Shoop, and to prove it he has created a little pink tablet. That tablet—called Dr. Shoop's Headache Tablet—coaxes blood pressure away from pain centers. Its effect is charming, pleasingly delightful. Gently though safely, it surely equalizes the blood circulation.

If you have a headache, it's blood pressure. If it's painful periods with women, same cause. If you are sleepless, restless, nervous, it's blood congestion—blood pressure. That surely is a certainty, for Dr. Shoop's Headache Tablets stop it in 20 minutes, and the tablets simply distribute the unnatural blood pressure.

Brush your finger, and doesn't it get red, and swell, and pain you? Of course it does. It's congestion, blood pressure. You'll find it where pain is. It's always. It's simply Common Sense.

We sell at 25 cents, and cheerfully recommend

Dr. Shoop's Headache Tablets

JNO. T. DOUGLAS.

BENNETTSVILLE WINNING

Took Several Games of Ball During the Past Week.

The Bennettsville boys have been playing some fine ball during the past few days, not losing a single game. The scores during the past week were as follows:

Tuesday—Dillon 2, Bennettsville 12.

Wednesday—Dillon 3, Bennettsville 3.

Thursday morning—Dillon 2, Bennettsville 3.

Thursday afternoon—Dillon 0 Bennettsville 7.

Monday morning—Cheraw 1, Bennettsville 9.

Monday afternoon—Cheraw 0, Bennettsville 8.

There will be games with Red Springs on the Bennettsville diamond tomorrow and Friday, beginning each day at 5 P. M.

License Ordinance

Town of Bennettsville, S. C. For Year Ending April 30, 1909.

An Ordinance for the purpose of raising funds to pay current expenses and existing indebtedness of the Town of Bennettsville, S. C., by requiring the payment of a License Tax for the year 1908, by persons or corporations engaged or intending to engage in any calling, business, occupation or profession, in whole or in part, in said Town as may herein be specified, and to provide a penalty for neglect or refusal to pay such License Tax:

Whereas, the present revenue of the Town of Bennettsville from the taxation of property, and other sources, is inadequate to pay all of the current expenses and demand obligations of the Town and Whereas, by act of the General Assembly of South Carolina, the cities and towns of said state, are authorized annually to require the payment of such reasonable sum or sums of money as a License Tax, by any person or persons or corporation engaged or intending to engage in any calling, business or occupation in whole or part within the said cities or towns in said state, except ministers of the gospel and teachers, and to pass such Ordinances as are necessary to carry the provisions of the said act into effect.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the power thus granted to us and for the purpose of increasing the revenue of the Town to a sufficient amount.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and aldermen of the town of Bennettsville and by authority of the same.

Section I. That any person or persons or corporations, engaged in any calling, business, profession or occupation, in whole or in part, within the limits of the Town of Bennettsville, as may hereafter be specified, shall obtain on or before 1st day of July 1908 a license therefor in the manner hereinafter prescribed. Any person or persons or corporation commencing or intending to commence business in said Town on or after the 1st day of May 1908 shall in like manner obtain a license therefor, before entering upon such calling, business, profession or occupations, as are hereinafter specified.

Sec. II. That any person or persons or corporation engaged in or intending to engage in any calling, business, profession or occupation for which a license is required, shall apply to the Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Bennettsville for the same—by whom all such licenses shall be issued, and shall at the time of applying make and sign a written statement and file it with the said Clerk and Treasurer setting forth:

1st. His, her or its name or style, and in case of a firm or company, the names of the several persons constituting such firm or company.

2nd. The calling, business, profession or occupation for which license is required.

3rd. The place where such calling, business, profession or occupation is to be carried on.

Whereupon the Clerk and Treasurer shall, upon payment of the proper tax, issue the required license. Nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect any other requirement of law elsewhere enacted or ordained in regard to any calling, business, profession or occupation.

Sec. III. If any person or persons or corporation shall exercise or carry on any calling, business, profession or occupation, for the exercise, carrying on or doing of which a license is required by this ordinance, without taking out a license, then such person or persons or corporation shall, in addition to the license tax, be subject to a penalty of twenty percent of the amount of such license tax, which tax and penalty shall be recovered in the manner hereinafter prescribed, and if any person or persons or corporation required so to do by the terms of this ordinance shall refuse or neglect to make out and deliver to the Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Bennettsville on or before the time herein required the statement provided for by Section II of this Ordinance, or shall make a false statement or shall refuse to take and subscribe an oath or affirmation as to the truth of such statements, or any part thereof, or from any cause shall fail to take out such license as may be required by this ordinance, the said Clerk and Treasurer shall report the case to the Mayor, who shall proceed to ascertain as nearly as possible the business of such person or persons or corporation, for which he, she, or it may be liable to a license tax therefor, and in case of default, for the purpose of such investigation the said Clerk and Treasurer shall notify the person, persons or corporation in default to appear before the Mayor at his office at a time stated in said notice, and also such other person or persons as said Clerk and Treasurer may desire to examine, and the party sought to be charged with said license tax, if he shall attend, together with any witness called as aforesaid, shall be examined by the Mayor under oath of affirmation touching the nature of the business of such party and everything which may evince the amount of license tax for which such party shall be liable. From the information thus acquired the Mayor shall find and assess the amount of license tax due by such party, whether he, she or it may have attended the investigation or not, and shall add thereto a penalty of 20 per cent thereof; and should such license tax and penalty be not paid within ten days thereafter, the said Clerk and Treasurer shall issue an execution therefor under his hand and the seal of the Town of Bennettsville

directed to the Sheriff of Marlboro County, in said State, and the said Sheriff shall proceed to collect the said license tax and penalty by levy and sale of real and personal property as now provided by law, for the collection of taxes; together with an additional five per cent of the whole amount, which shall be the Sheriff's compensation for making such collection in addition to one dollar for making such levy, which shall be paid by the delinquent without entry or mileage fees; Provided, however, that any person, or corporation shall have the right of appeal to the Town Council of Bennettsville (notice of such appeal having been given to the Clerk and Treasurer within five days from the time at which such assessment of license and penalty shall have been made) and upon hearing such appeal the said Council shall make such order therein as shall seem just and proper, and provided further, that in lieu of the remedy above in this section set forth to enforce payment, an action or actions may be brought by the Town of Bennettsville in any court of competent jurisdiction for the recovery of said license tax and the penalties thereon, and provided further that any person, persons or corporation who shall carry on, or attempt to carry on, any calling, business, profession or occupation without a license as herein required or who shall neglect or refuse to give the information required or to answer such questions as may be required or who shall fail to attend before the Mayor to be examined by him when so required, as provided in Sections II and III, of this Ordinance, may be deemed guilty of a violation thereof before the Mayor or Council, may be fined not more than one hundred dollars or be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

Sec. IV. That all licenses granted under this ordinance shall be posted in a conspicuous place, except in case of vehicles for hire, which vehicles shall have placed upon them metal badges, with the number of badge and the license year marked thereon, such badges to be furnished by the Clerk and Treasurer upon payment of the license tax. Failure to keep such a badge upon such vehicle shall subject the person owning or using the same to a penalty of not more than five dollars or imprisonment for not more than ten days upon conviction thereof. The licenses granted under this ordinance shall at all times be subject to inspection by any officer of the Town of Bennettsville, and no calling, profession or occupation shall be carried on elsewhere than at the place named in the license therefor, unless authority be granted by the Clerk and Treasurer, which authority shall be endorsed on the license.

Sec. V. All licenses granted under this ordinance shall continue in force until the 1st day of May 1909 except such as are provided for herein for a shorter period.

Sec. VI. All applications for licenses shall be made to the said Clerk and Treasurer, who shall keep a correct record of all licenses issued, and all monies received therefor, which money shall be applied in payment of current expenses and existing indebtedness of the Town of Bennettsville, and for no other purpose.

Sec. VII. The following sum or sums of money are required to be paid to the said Clerk and Treasurer for a license to carry on any business, calling, profession or occupation, in whole or in part, within the limits of the Town of Bennettsville, as in such case specifically appears, viz:

Collection of Rents, &c., \$ 5 00
Express Companies or Agencies 35 00
Insurance, Fire, Accident, Hail and Live Stock Co 5 00
Life Insurance Co's each 10 00
Billiard, Pool or Bagatelle each 50 00
Pawn Brokers, each per year 25 00
Flying Jennies, steam or horse riding galleries per day \$2 10 00
Ice dealers, retail, per year, 5 00
Sale of Sewing Machines, Organs, Pianos, when not in connection with other business 10 00
Laundries or Agencies 2 50
Patent Rights of any kind 10 00
Telegraph Companies or Agencies 15 00
Contractors, per year 5 00
Contractors doing their own work pay no license
Lightning Rod Agents, per year 5 00
Tin shops per year 5 00
Bakery, per year 5 00
Brokers, Mdse, per year or less 10 00
Cabinet Makers, per year 5 00
Bottling Works, per year 5 00
Restaurants, charging not over 25 cents per meal, per year 5 00
Restaurants charging over 25 cents per meal, per year 7 50
Bill Posters, per day 1 00
Bowling Alleys, each per month, 5 00
Bicycle Repair Shops, per year 5 00
Bill Posters, per year 10 00
Dealers in fresh meats, beef, mutton, pork, goat, fish shipped into the county 10 00
Hotels, not charging over \$1 per day, per year 5 00
Hotels, not charging over \$1.50 per day, per year 7 50
Hotels, not charging over \$2 per day, per year 10 00
Skating rinks, 10 00
Auctioneers per year or less time Exhibitions, traveling theatrical, musical, art or others, for gain, per day or night 2 50
Lunch Tables, or selling cooked food on streets, per day 1 00
Kerosene or other Oil Co's 50 00
Architects, per year 10 00
Plumbers per year 5 00
Dog License, each dog per year 1 00
Lawyers, each, 10 00
Doctors, each, 10 00

Livery and Feed Stables, per year 10 00
Livery Business, other than livery stables for hire, one horse team 2 00
two horse team, 3 00
All Boarding Houses, engaged in the business of keeping boarders, whether regular or transient per year 5 00
Barber Shops, per chair per year 2 00
Piano Tuners 5 00
Peddlars or agents soliciting photographs, lithograph pictures, &c., for enlarging or copying, pr week 5 00
Peddlars offering for sale any kind of mdse, to consumers, per week 5 00
Telephone Long Distance 10 00
Planing Mills, not in connection with other works, 10 00
Iron Works, 10 00
Real Estate Agents 5 00
Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights, either or both 5 00
Shoe and harness shop, or either Traveling dealers offering different kinds mdse, notions or articles per day 5 00
Cotton Seed Buyers, per year 10 00
Dealers in Horses or Mules, 35 00
Dealers in Patent or other medicines on streets, per day 5 00
Marble and Granite Works 10 00
Telephone Exchanges 50 00
Dealers, Automobile Agents for Occulist per year 20 00
Occulist per week 10 00
Undertakers, per year, 10 00
All tailors cleaning and repairing clothes 5 00
Dentists, each 10 00
Drays, Wagons, 1 horse per year 2 50
Drays, Wagon, 2 horse per year 5 00
Cotton Buyers, each per year 10 00
Banks, from one to \$10,000 10 00
Banks, from ten to \$25,000 25 00
Banks, from 25,000 to 50,000 50 00
Banks from \$50,000 to \$100,000 75 00
Manufacturing farm implements 10 00
Loan and Trust Companies, 15 00
Traveling Book agents, per year 5 00
Traveling Fruit Tree agents Selling or delivering, per year 5 00
Resident Photographers per year 5 00
Non-resident Photographers pr year 5 00
Jewelry not in connection with other business 5 00
Agents for Stoves, Ranges and other household articles per year 10 00
Up County Wagons occupying public square, per day 1 00
Railroad Companies entering the town, capitalized at \$250,000 or less, per year 50 00
Railroad Companies entering the town, capitalized at over \$250,000, per year 100 00
Merchants doing business less than year, 25 00
Merchants on each \$10,000 sales up to and including 50,000 per 1000 50c
And on all additional sales up to and including 100,000 per 1000 25c
On all sales above 100,000 per 1000 10c
On less than 10,000 per year 5 00
Cotton Ginners, each 25 00
Oil Mills, each 25 00
Circus, or show, or animal exhibition per day or less, in the discretion of the Mayor from \$5 to 100 00

Building and Loan Association 10 00
Each and every newspaper 7 50
Job printing not in connection with newspaper 5 00
Candy Manufacturers 5 00
Merchant tailors soliciting from consumers, per year 5 00
Coal and wood yard, not in connection with other business, 5 00
Ice cream, Soda water, Lemonade and Fruit stands, on street per day 1 00
Sec. VIII. That wherever in this ordinance the terms person, persons, corporation or party is used, the same shall include not only the principals, but in their absence shall include any agent, clerk or other employee, such agent, managing the calling, business, profession or occupation respectively referred to and generally where a license is herein imposed for the carrying on of any calling, business, profession or occupation and the same is carried on by any agent, clerk or employee shall be subject to the penalties herein imposed, should the calling, business, profession or occupation be carried on without taking out such license, in the same manner as if he, she or they were or were the proprietor or proprietors of the said calling, business, profession or occupation.

Sec. IX. That this Ordinance shall take effect on and from the 1st day of May, A. D. 1908, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Done and ratified in Council this the 20th day of June, 1908.

A. I. Hamer,
City Clerk.

L. J. Brecken,
Mayor.

If one feels dull and spiritless, in the spring or early summer, they call it "Spring Fever." But there is no fever—usually. It is the after effect of our winter habits. The nerves are mostly at fault. Tired worn-out nerves leave us languid, lifeless, and without spirit or ambition. A few doses of Dr. Shoop's Restorative will absolutely and quickly change all of these depressing symptoms. The Restora of course won't bring you back to full health in a day or two, but it will do enough in 48 hours to satisfy you that the remedy is reaching that "tired spot". Druggists everywhere are advising its use as a splendid and prompt general tonic. It gives more vim and more spirit to the spoonful than any other known nerve or constitutional tonic. It sharpens a failing appetite, aids digestion, frees sluggish livers and kidneys, and brings new life, strength and ambition. Test it a few days and be convinced.

Jno. T. Douglas.