tention of our legislators. One Henry Rykard, colored, had been indicted for disposing of goods under lien. Between the issuing of the warrant and the trial of the cr , the defendant gave other security at the pros-ecutor for the payment of the debt. The prosecutor then agreed to drop the case against him. Yesterday was the day appointed for the trial, and the county had been put to considerable expense in the way of summonsing witnesses, &c. When the case was called the prosecutor, by his attorney, an-nounced that he wished to discontinue the case. The Trial Justice had some doubt as to whether he had then the right to discontinue, and after consulting authorities ruled that he had no discretion in the matter, but to save the county the expenses of the case, said he would discontinue it, provided the prosecutor would pay the costs.

This was refused, the Prosecutor's Attorney contending that he represented the State, and had the right to say whether the case was one for trial or not. The Trial Justice held that he too was the guardian of the State's interests and it was his business to see that neither State nor county suffered in his court. He called the case, and the prosecutor was put upon the stand. The Prosecuting Attorney refused to ask any questions material to the case, when the Trial Justice took the examination in hand himself.

The case finally went off on a technicality, the prosecutor not having the mortgage itself with him, and the county was thrown in the costs.

We say this matter deserves the attention of our legislators. Here the whole machinery of the Criminal Court had been brought into actton merely to enable the prosecutor to collect a debt, and after the securing of the debt, the case was dropped and the county made to pay for it. What the remedy is our legislators will have to determine.

#### Stores to be Closed.

The following named firms have agreed to close their stores on Thanksgiving Day-the 25th November Parties having business in town or that day will

govern themselver accorningly.

E. A. Templeton & Co.,
G. A. Douglass, John Knox & Co., White Brothers. W. Joel Smith & Son, Wardlaw & Edwards, Rosenberg & Co., Miller Brothers, R. W. Cannon.

#### Thanksgiving Service.

There will be a union meeting of the different churches on next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, in the Methodist church. Services will commence at 10 o'clock a. m. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. J. Lowrie Wilson, D. D. A union prayer meeting will be held in the Presbyterian church at seven o'clock p. m. sharp, and will be conducted by Rev. S. A. Weber.

These services will interfere with neither the atrget shooting nor the plume drill of the Abbeville Rifles and all ought to attend.

#### Marriage.

On last Wednesday evening, November 17, Mr. W. C. DuPre and Miss Sallie Shillito, both of this place were made social life, and our congratulations are man and wife, The interesting ceremony extended in advance. was performed at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. S. A. Weber, in the presence of the relatives and a under very auspicions circumstances, and the MESSENGER desires to add its best wishes to those of a host of others for a long continuance of the same.

#### A Nuisance.

We would call the attention of the line, and there was nothing to hinder it. Town Council to a growing nuisance, viz: the erection on the sidewalks of stands for the sale of apples, groobers, &c. Frequently the sidewalks are crowded with right at all to sell these articles, they should be made to take their stands off the pavements. We hope our city fathers will look after this matter.

minister of the A. R. P. Church of Charlotte, N. C. preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening.

The corps of engineers on the Chester, Greenwood and Abbeville Railroad, have reached the Savannah River, and are now on their return trip, to locate the road permanantly.

The Rifles have almost money enough to buy their new uniforms. Let all young and old turn out on Thursday night and give them a helping hand. The charge is only twenty-five cents and they will

give you a good entertainment. Four prizes two gold medals for the best drilled men, and two silver goblets mile and a half from town, for sale. for the best shots, will be presented on Thursday night after the drill. The Due West a flying visit. John's good speeches will be terse and willy. Come looks increases. out and enjoy the evening, and at the

same time give the Rifles a lift. What has become of the committee appointed some time since, to obtain information relative to a fire engine for the town? Is it not time they were

making some report? Mr. T. C. Perrin, our enterprising

Mr. T. U. Perrin, our enterprising druggist who keeps on the corner, under the New Hotel, has received a quantity of Christmas goods, which he is selling cheap. He also has on hand a supply of fresh French candies. Give him a call before purchasing elsewhere.

Messrs. Speed & Neuffer have in stock a splendid assortment of Christmas goods, which they will sell you cheap. The selection is one of the prettiest we have seen, and you cannot fail to be pleased. They have also a nice assortment of Christmas cards, at all prices. Don't forget to give them a call.

Turn out on Thursday night.

Our lawyers are busy preparing for the Supre 3 Court.

Nearly all of the stores will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. Every ore should attend the plume

drill of the Abbeville Rifles. It is generally thought now that the earthquakes have ended. Mr. George M. Smith, of Dry Grove

was in town yesterday. Mr. J. C Miller has recovered from

recent spell of the measles. Mr. Samuel C. Cason went to Edgefield last week on professional business.

Very few persons were in town on yesterday.

Mr. D. A. P. Jordan, of New York was in Abbeville on yesterday. Mr. C. C. Twitty, of Spartanburg, was

n Abbeville on yesterday. The members of the Legislature wen down to Columbia on yesterday.

The signal service yesterday indicated

ocal rains with rising temperature. Rev. J. Lowrie Wilson assisted Dr. Lindsay in a communion service at Will-

ngton on last Sunday. Hon. W. P. Wideman was in town on Saturday last, looking as healthy as

Judge McGowan has gone to Columbia

to attend the sittings of the Supreme Court. Some of the goods of Messrs. Miller

Brothers were sold at auction on last Saturday. Refreshing rains have at last given

our farmers an opportunity to plant small grain. The son of our townsman, Mr. L. H.

Russell, who has been so sick, is now convaluscent. Read H. W. Lawson & Co.'s attractive advertisement, and then go there and

buy your Christmas goods. The signal service here is a source of reat interest to our people. So far, its

ndications have all been correct. The Plume Drill will take place in

the Court House at 8 o'clock and we guarantee a pleasant evening to all. Mr. Hicks, the cotton buyer has the measles. During his sickness, Mr. Speights, of Greenville will buy cotton

Come out to the Plume Drill of the Abbeville Rifles on Thursday night. The drilling will be fine, closely contested and very exciting.

Mrs. Johnson, of Ninety-Six, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. T. Hill, of this place, returned home on yesterday.

Efforts are being made to get up a shooting match for the citizens outside of the Abbeville Rifles. A silver cup will be the prize.

Any of our delinquent subscribers who have a good fat turkey to dispose of, can settle their indebtedness at this office in

as something to say about a "railroad. scoop." The latest is that the Richmobd and Danville has been "scooped in" by a rival line.

Dr. W. M. Grier preached a good sermon in the Presbyterian church on last Sunday. The large congregation which was present testified in no uncertain way, how this eminent divine is appreciated in Abbeville.

We hear rumors of wedding bells in Lowndesville on Thanksgiving Day. The contracting parties stand high in

few of the friends of the contracting from home looking up authorities in an parties. This young couple start life appeal case (?) but, "for goodness sake, don't say I told you."

We think it due the telegraph operator at Hodges, Mr. Rowlett, to state that recently a telegram was sent for us from his office to Newberry, in less than four minutes after its reception. No other operator it seems was using the

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend a ball at the Mansion House in Greenville, Wednesday even-ing November, 24th. It is given under noisy negroes, and passage along them the auspices of the new management of is impossible. If the parties have any this hotel and will doubtless be a most enjoyable occasion.

We learn that notwithstanding the action of the farmers of the Savannah side, with reference, to traffic in seed cotton, it is still continued by some parties. Rev. J. S. Moffatt, a talented young The farmers owe it to themselves, and to those merchants who are standing faithfully by their agreement, to look into the matter, and, if possible, put a stop to the iniquitous practice.

#### Due West Dots.

DUE WEST, Nov. 15.

Erstine College has a dude. Dr. Cowan has a new breech-loader. Due West has a fine delegation at the

State fair. Miss Isabella Austin speaks of moving to Florida, and offers her house, one

Mr. John H. Chiles, Jr., of Troy, paid

Mr. R. W. Haddon speaks in encour aging terms of the State Farmers' Convention, which he attended.

The following young ladies and gen-tlemen attended the fair: Misses Ella and Lizzie Miller, Messrs. M. B. Clinkscales, W. T. Cowan, J. C. McDill, and H. E. Bonner.

Mr. A. D. Kennedy is one of the best most active, and keenest livery-stable taining men in the county, but he "got left" last week on a small transaction.

of those persons just in front of me."

We understand the private musicale the Female College Saturday was exat the Female College Saturday was ex-cellent. It could not be otherwise with the present musical talent. We regret not being able to attend.

Dr. Lindsay's sermon on the "Rebellion of Absolom" has been most highly received here. The style was faultless. We heard a D. D say "his style would

have done credit to McCauley." shots he got nothing but feathers. Mr.

J. P. Harkness is our reference. Mr. Stewart, of the Seminary, preached an excellent sermon in A. R. church Sabbath morning. Dr. Grier a capital one that evening.

November 22. A splendid season Wednesday night. Farmers of this section are busy sow-

ng grain now. The cotton crop has fallen short of expectation. The present estimate now

is one-half. Dr. Wideman drives a half sister to Messenger. She is a beautiful animal and is developing into a fast trotter. She now makes a mile in less than four minutes.

The Y. M. C. A. here observed the Week of Prayer for colleges.

Eli Slappi who lifted goods belonging to another, resisted arrest and had to skip. He is wanted at Trial Justice Sitton's court.

Dr. Grier speaks in Anderson on the 26th on "Temperance." The election occurs there the first of December.

Rev. H. C. Fennel paid our town risit last week.

Mr. W. C. Haddon, wife and big boy are visiting homefolks at Anderson C. H. Captain Cochrane did a big day's ginning one day last week, and lost one bale by the punch not working well.

A friend has sent us a pamphlet descriptive of the resources of Augusta. It is handsomely gotten up and makes a fine showing for the city, and is elegantly illustrated.

Capt. Perrin and his good-looking son J. W. Perrin, Jr., were here last week collecting taxes. Capt. Perrin and son are most obliging and accommodating officers.

We were pleased to find taxes lower than formerly. One dollar and a half a thousand less. This is right.

R. S. G.

#### Most Excellent.

J. J. Atkins Chief of Police, Knoxville Tenn., writes: "My family and I are benefi-ciaries of your most excellent medicine, Dr. cettle their indebtedness at this office in hat manner.

Nearly every daily paper we pick up as something to say about a "railroad coop." The latest is that the Richmubd and Danville has been "scooped in" by rival line.

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cettle their indebtedness at this office in this office in the King's New Discovery for consumption; have recommended it praise it at every opportunity." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is guaranteed to cure Coughs Colds, Bronchitis. Asthma Croup and every affection of Throat, Chest and Lungs.

Trial Bo'tles Free at T. C' Perrin Drug Store.

Large Size \$1.00.

#### MARKET REPORT.

Corrected weekly by Messrs. Parker

Middling Good Middling	737	81/8
PROVISIONS.		
Corn, per bushel	75 c 70 1 50	ents.
MeatLard	18	
Coffee Sugar, Yellow White Granulated	10 7 71/4	15 71/4 8
Salt, fine, per sack Liverpool, 200 lb. sacks Nails	75 1 25 8 3	85
Tobacco	40	50
Molasses Syrup Meai	30 25 65	50 75
DRY GOODS.		
Prints. Bleached Cotton. Shirtings. % Shirtings	5 51/4 6	
4-4 Shirtings	8	

#### NOTICE.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25th, being a National Holiday, the Abbeville National Bank will be closed for business on that day. Notes and drafts falling due on that day must be paid on Wednesday.

B. S. BARNWELL, Cashier.

#### Master's Sale,

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

Court of Common Pleas. .

Z. McCord & Son against T. N. Dallis.—Fore closure.

By virtue of an order of sale made in the above stated case, I will offer for sale at public outcry at Abbeville Courthouse, S. C., on saleday in December, 1886, within the legal hours of sale, the following described property, situate partly in the county of Abbeville and partly in the county of Edgefield, in said State, con-

#### SIX HUNDRED ACRES.

week on a small transaction.

Our boss contractor, Mr. J. H. Wren, is home again. He has knocked the bottom out of Anderson contractors as to price and finish.

We hear considerable complaint of the bad behavior of some young people in church. This should be corrected, "I got no good of the sermon on account of those persons just in front of me."

more or less, bounded by lands of Albert Harmon, mon, other lands of T. N. Dallis' estate, lands of John Martin—the same being a part of the "Harmon Tract," which originally contained seven hundred acres, of which one hundred acres have been sold to Albert Harmon.

Terms of Sale—One-half cash, balance in twelve months, secured by bond and mortgage, with the option to pay all cash. Purchaser to pay the Master for papers and feasing the contain of the bad behavior of some young people in church. This should be corrected. "I got no good of the sermon on account of those persons just in front of me."

John Bradley, as Ward and others, against Wilson Watkins.—Sundry Executions

By virtue of sundry executions to me di They tell a good joke on Dr. Cowan and his new gun. Out of eighteen straight shots he got nothing but feathers. Mr.

FOUR HUNDRED ACRES,

more or less, and bounded by land of Dr, J.
W. Wideman, Hesekial Burnet, W. H. Pennel and others, which will be divided into small tracts and plats exhibited on day of sale. Levied on and to be sold as the property of Wilson Watkins, to satisty the aforesaid Executions and costs. TESMS—Cash.
J. F. C. DUPRE,
Sheriff Abbeville County.

Wm. Power as Trustee and others agains B. W. Williams and R. L. Williams-Sundry Executions.

BY virtue of an Execution to me directed, in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville Cnurt House, on Monday, the sixth day of December, 1886, all the right, title and interest, subject to levy and sale, of B. W. Williams, in the following described property, to wit: All that tractor parcel of hand, situate, lying and being in the County of Abbeville, South Carolina, and known as the Home Place and containing.

SIX HUNDRED ACRES,

nore less, and bounded by land of J. E. more less, and bounded by land of J. E. Brownlee, Jno. G. Clinkacales and others Levied on and to be sold as the property of Benj. W. Williams to satisfy the aforesaid Execution and cost. TERMS—Cash.

J. F. C. Dupre,
Sheriff A. C,

Perkins Manufacturing Co., and others against Richard Duncan .—Sundry Execution.

BY virtue of Sundry Executions to me di-By virtue of Sundry Executions to me disected, in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, within the legal house of sale, at Abbeville Court House, on Moanay, the 6th day of December 1886, all the right, title and interest of Richard Duncan in the following described property. to wit: All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Abevill, South Carolina, and known as the Mantz Place, and containing. Mantz Place, and containing.

THREE HUNDRED AND THIRTY. EIGHT ACRES,

more or less, and bounded by lands of J. M. Pruit, A. J. Clinkscales, and others. Levied on and to be sold as the property of Richard Duncan, to satisfy the aforesaid Executions and costs. TERMS—Cash.

J. F. C. Dupre,
Sheriff A. C.

John T. Lyon, et al, against Jno. D. Adams,-Sundry Executions.

BY virtue of Sundry Executions to me directed, in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville Court House, on Monday, the sixth day of December, 1836, all the right, title and interest subject to levy and sale of Jro. D. Adams in the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Abbeville, South Carolina; and known as the Homestead Place, and containing containing

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ACRES nore or less, and boundeed by lands of J. M Graham, the Greenville and Smith Ferry Road, and others. Levied on and to be sold as the property of Jno. D. Adams, to satisfy the aforesaid Executions and costs. TERMS—Cash. J. F. C. DuPRE,

James M. Sullivan and others against Jno. R. Tolbert et al.—Sundry Executions.

PY virtue of Sundry executions to me directed, in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville Court House, on Monday, the Sixth day of December 1886, all the right, title and interest of Jno. R. Tolbert in the following described property, to wit: Tract No. 1, containing THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY.

THREE ACRES. more or less, bounded by lands of J. A. Partlow, P. B. Brooks, the Laurens lands and others. Tract No. 2, containing ELEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-

SIX ACRES, more or less, and bounded by J. Milling, S. P. Brooks and others, formerly known as the Butler lands. Tract No. 3, centaining

FOUR HUNDRED ACRES. more or less, and bounded by P. B. Brooks, LeRoy Lee, A. McNeill and others and known as the Horn tract. Tract No. 4, containing TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE ACRES.

more or less, and bounded by T. A. Watson, D. J. Tolbert, Mrs. Whitlock and others, and known as the McNeill place. Levied on 'and to be sold as the property of Jno. R. Tolbart, to satisfy the aforesald executions and costs. TERMS—Cash. J. F. C. DUPRE, Sheriff Abbeville County.

W. Joel Smith & Son against J. O. Scott .-Execution

By virtue of an Execution to me directed in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at Public Auction within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville C. H., on Monday, the sixth day of December, 1886, all the right, title and intrest, subject to levy and sale, of J. O. Scott in the following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Abbeville, South Carolina, and containing. taining. ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY

ACRES. more or less, and bounded by lands of Wm. Guthrie, Jcanette Morrow, the Wolls estate and others. Lovied on and to be sold as the property of J. O. Scott, to satisfy the aforesaid execution and costs. TERMS—Cash.

J. F. C. Dupre,
Sheriff A. C.

D. H. Chamberlain and others against Mary E. Brown. Sundry Executions.

BY virtue of Sundry Executions to me directed, in the above stated case, I will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, within the legal hours of sale, at Abbeville Court House, on Monday, the sixth day of December A. D. 1886, all the right, title and interest of M. E. Brown in the, following described property, to wit: All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Abbeville, South Carolina, and containing

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO ACRES,
more or less, and bounded by lands of J. Edward Calhoun, M. J. McCelvy, C. A. White
and others. Levied on and to be sold as the
property of Mary E. Brown, to satisfy the
aforesaid execution and costs. TERMS—

J. F. C. DUPRE, Sheriff Abbeville County.

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COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMmissioners of the County of Abbeville, in meeting assembled, on this 1st day of No-

Be it Resolved, By the Board of County Commissioners of the said County of Abbeville, now met and sitting as a Board, That in pursuance of the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Chester, Greenwood and Abbeville Railroud Company," approved 22d December, A. D. 1885, and upon a written application of a majority of the owners of real estate of Abbeville Township, in said State and County, duly received by this Board, asking that an election be held upon the question of SUB-SCRIPTION or NO SUBSCRIPTION, to the capital stock of the Chester, Greenwood and Abbeville Railroad Company, of bonds to the amount of THREE PER CENT. of the taxable property in said Township, be submitted to the qualified voters of said Township, in accordance with the terms of the Act of Incorporation of said Railroad Company, approved 22d December, 1886. Said bonds to be issued on the condition that the track of the said Railroad Company be located through the town of Abbeville, in said Township, according to the provisions of said Act.

An election will be held on the

### They have everything 27th day of November, 1886,

AT ABBEVILLE COURT HOUSE, in the town of Abbeville-the polls to be opened at that "Old Santa" could 7 c'clock a. m. and remain open until 6 o'clock p. n.., at which election shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said Township, the question of whether or not the said Township want to put in the will subscribe to the capital stock of the said Chester, Greenwood and Abbeville Railroad Company in bonds, with interest not to exceed seven per centum per annum, payable in Children's stockings, twenty years, to the amount of THREE PER CENT. of the assessed value, for taxation, of the real and personal property held and located in said Township. That is to say, the and all kinds of Presquestion of "SUBSCRIPTION" or "NO SUBSCRIPTION," fo the capital stock of said Company.

That said subscription to be made on the condition that the said bonds be not issued until the track of the said Railroad Company be located through the town of Abbeville, in said county.

That J. W. Thomson, W. N. Graydon and Frank Henry are hereby appointed the managers of said election, with full power to hold and conduct the same, count the votes, declare and certify the result according to the laws in force and the provisions oi said Act,

That the voting at said election shall be by Pretty Goods ballot. The voters who desire to vote, in favor of said Township making the aforesaid subscription shall vote a ballot having written or printed thereon the word "SUBSCRIP-TION;" such of said voters who desire to vote against the said subscription, shall vote a blalot written or printed thereon the words "NO SUBSCRIPTION."

That notice of said election stating the time, place, and purpose and form of ballots to be voted thereat, be published as by law directed in at least one of the newspapers published in the town of Abbeville, in said County, for three weeks immediately prior to said election on the 27th day of November, 1886.

Nov. 1, 1826.

By order of the Board. JAS. A. McCORD,

> WM. RILEY, W. T. COWAY,

Clerk B. C. C.

Attest: D. L. MABRY,

Ex Parte Thomas S. Williams, Administrator and Petitioner.

PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT AND DIS-CHARGE. is the place, and you

A 134. HE above-named Petitioner as Adshould not fail to see ministrator of the Estate of Amanda Johnson, deceased, having filed his petition for settlement and discharge, it is ordered that THURSDAY, the SECOND before DAY OF DECEMBER NEXT, be fixed for the settlement and discharge as prayed for.

Judge Probate Court.

County Commissioners.

Ch. B. C. C.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. COUNTY OF ABBEVILDE.

J. FULLER LYON.