

Local and Special.

Eloquents are fashionable nowadays.

Be sure to register for the city election which takes place on the 18th inst.

See the magnificent offer of the Advertiser for 1887, in another column.

A negro who was working on the trestle over Little River last week, fell 40 ft but was unhurt.

Don't forget to register for the town election. Books open with C W Lane, Clerk, on the 12th, and close on the 17th.

A most excellent poem will appear in our next issue. Also several important communications which were crowded out this week.

Mr N D Franks is building a handsome residence on the Brooklyn side. He has purchased a very eligible lot from N J Holmes Esq.

Read the letters of Bill Nye and Ben Tillman in this issue, both are interesting. "Bill" curses our climate, and "Ben" our legislature.

Of the 137 counties in Georgia, 108 have absolute prohibition and twelve others have partial prohibition. There are only seven counties in Georgia where whisky has full swing.

Grow a garden, a small fruit orchard, raise chickens, hogs, sheep, keep some good milk cows, be economical, and above all, read the Advertiser, and you will steadily become better off.

Mr JESSE HARKNESS, of Due West, of baseball fame, has an offer from the Philadelphia team, and one from a nine in Charlotte. He is undecided which position to accept. It is possible that he will toss boys.

Mr W H Gilkerson, as will be seen by reference to another column, has introduced a new advertising scheme. It is original and novel, and will certainly prove interesting to his customers. Begin with the New Year and save your tickets.

Most of our County exchanges have published the acts passed by the legislature that affect their County. Some are interesting, to say the least, yet this law, passed by the legislature of the State, or rather, by the members from the Counties.

A serious and fatal accident occurred at Madden's station, four miles from this place, on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Lou Madden, an estimable young lady, was standing in front of the fire at her home and her clothing caught on fire. She immediately ran out of the house in the direction of the railroad, and after running several hundred yards, fell to the ground with her clothing completely burned off and her body also badly burned. She was found by some members of the family and carried back to the house but after intense suffering died Wednesday morning. She was a consistent member of the New Prospect Baptist Church where she was buried.

Election of Officers. At a meeting of the Laurens Guards, Jan 7th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Captain, L E Irvy; 1st Lieutenant, G S Garrett; 2nd, J R Cooper; 3rd, W Y Shearer. Sergeant, O orderly, D A Davis; 2nd, M B Kelly; 3rd, W J Hunter; 4th, Geo McCarver; Quartermaster, Sgt, P B Lakewood. Corporals: Leo Simpson; Leo Langston; T H Leake; E H Wilkes. Chaplain, Rev J D Pitts. Surgeon, Dr W H Dial.

The Municipal Ticket.

At a public meeting held in the Court House last Thursday afternoon, the following ticket was nominated:

Intendant - N. B. DIA L. Wardens - J. W. TODD, W. W. JONES, J. J. PLUSS, J. R. COOPER. The following ticket has also been handed as for publication. Intendant - Dr B E MARTIN Wardens - D M PATTON, J R COOPER, J J PLUSS, W J HUNTER.

Notes on Newspapers.

Mr W J McKeell, editor of the Cotton Plant, has purchased an interest in the Greenville News and Williams & McKeell will henceforth be editors and owners of both papers.

Gen M L Bonham has retired from the Abbeville Messenger, and Mr J S Perin has assumed entire management.

J S Reynolds has sold his interest in the Winnsboro News and Herald to Mr E B Ragsdale, who with W L McDowell esq, will continue the publication.

The Newbury Observer has entered upon its 6th volume as bright and newsy as ever.

The Southern Christian Advocate comes this week a model of typographical excellence and brim full of good reading. It is now published by Chas A Calvo.

Patents Granted.

To citizens of the Southern States during the past week, & reported expressly for the Advertiser by C. A. Snow & Co. Patent lawyers, opposite U. S. Patent Office Washington, D. C.

C Baumgarten, Schlenker, Tev, Oil expressing press. W T Beatty, Nashville, Tenn. Vehicle spring. J O Belknap, Mobile, Ala. Sign. C E Bell, West Point, Miss. Heater for chills. G F Clark, Ravenswood, W Va. Harrow. R E Clark, Fort Motte, S C, cotton chopper and cultivator. H Cleary Wheeling Va. Tool holder for grindstones. D J Ervin, Crawford, Miss, ear coupling. W A Presh, Narrows, Va. Fire place heater. E Kells, New Orleans, La, electric fire alarm. W E Keyles, Louisville, Ky. Means for cooling mash in distilleries etc. T P Lawson and W K Burton; Athens, Ga, Basket. J T McKay

Newman, Ga, Animal poka. P McWane Wyatt, Va, Flour. J Mchen Covington, Ky. Brake, shoe and car brake and wheel dresser. S R Montain, McDonnell, Ark. Blow handle. J Morri-on, Nashville, Tenn, Purifying water. B Overlake, Palatka, Fla, water proof composition. J Sage, Camsville, Ga, Grading machine. M Seidel, Harrison, Ark, egg case. J Tennis, Hampton, Va, car lock.

Un-Licensed Liquor.

The men who have taken out license to retail spirituous liquors in the town of Laurens held a convention a few days ago the proceedings of which are reported to "eye local" were as follows:

It was well known to some of the aforesaid liquor dealers that a certain person had procured in the town of Laurens, whiskey from persons who had not a license to sell; and, to investigate this matter the meeting was called.

After due deliberation and a comparison of notes it was found that a certain man had repeatedly called at the various saloons with a certain bottle containing sometimes a quart, sometimes a pint and sometimes nothing at all but the bottle aforesaid, has continued proving around, among the aforesaid saloons and the said saloonkeepers do say on oath that they have never sold tradit or harbored the aforesaid bottle to any man, woman or child, and that the said bottle is a strange bottle unknown to the aforesaid saloonkeepers in convention assembled. Wherefore as the result of the deliberations of the convention, it is decided and established beyond peradventure, that some person has failed to catch on to the new order of things about times to sell liquor without license, which affords him competition to the legit licensed saloonkeepers.

Whoever the convention implied an unhallowed "silly father" in coming to their rescue and use their utmost endeavors to put a stop to the pernicious practice which is a defilement to the laws of the town and endanger the reputation of law abiding citizens. Furthermore it was resolved and determined that if the council failed to return to protect those to whom license, have been issued they would apply forthwith and immediately to have their licenses cancelled and their money refunded so that all could stand on an equal footing, without discrimination.

Romantic Spartans.

Society in Spartanburg has been somewhat excited over the elopement marriage of Miss Susie Walker, the daughter of Hon. Joseph Walker, of that city, a young Miss of 14 years, to a lad of 18 summers, named Guy Harris. It seems that on Christmas night, these two young people attended a party. At 12:30 they left the party in search of a clergyman to unite them in marriage. Two clergymen were found but both declined. At 1 o'clock however a notice published was found who pronounced them one. They proceeded to the home of the boy's parents and while seated around the fire the parents of the girl burst into the room, the mother weeping and remonstrating with her wayward child, told her of the sad condition of her elder sister, who was at home completely heartbroken and at that time in a state of unconsciousness. To this, in calm tones, the young bride replied, "Well mother, if you wish me to go, you should go home to sleep immediately, as Guy, my husband, is able to take care of me."

The young girl was carried home by her parents, and kept in close confinement until the north bound train on the At-Lane railroad carried her with a clasp net in the direction of New York. But before the train reached Charlotte, the father learned that young Harris had boarded the same train with his daughter. He immediately telegraphed to the Chief of Police to arrest his daughter, and the lady in whose charge he had placed her, and then a meeting of husband and wife was prevented. Mr. Walker arrived on the scene, after expressing his disapproval of the cause of the arrest, he proceeded to N Y with his charge, expecting to send her for a few months travel in Europe. But on arriving in New York she decided to place his daughter in a convent. It is said, owing to the age of the parties to this solemn contract, the parents of each have agreed to have the marriage annulled.

Personal.

Dr T E Tomp paid a visit to relatives in Charlotte last week. Married by Rev D A Todd, on Sunday. Mr J D Chaney and Miss Lela Stone.

J C GARLINGTON, esq, has purchased a lot in Brooklyn, opposite the residence of Dr L S. Fullen.

Married - Laurens, on Jan 6th, by the Rev D A Todd, Mr T H Reid and Miss Mary Tinsley.

Mr. ROMER CHAYO, of Clinton, has gone to Fla. He will hear from his friends through the Advertiser.

Dr T T Pool, a member of the firm of J F Martin & Co, has moved into his paternal residence on Main Street, and has become a citizen of this place.

Mr JAMES L. BRYSON, formerly of this County, but now of Fairfield, and Miss EMMA LAUDERDALE, of Winnsboro, were married on Wednesday last.

It is with pleasure we note the fact that Mr LEO ROSSIGNO WITTE, the popular salesman for Berry Bros, tobacco stores has moved his family to this place and will make Laurens headquarters.

Little JOHN, son of Mr. ENSCH WEST, who for some weeks has been an employee of the Advertiser, met with a painful accident one day last week. He was playing with a parlor rifle and accidentally shot a ball through his foot. He is, we learn, doing well.

County Correspondence

TUMBLING SHOALS.

JAYBE. Christmas with its attendant festivities, is over. There were lots of frolics and plenty of fun generally.

Triangle is a gay little place, and to strike it at its best one should visit it during the holidays. For pretty girls and gentlemen B takes the cake. A certain young man of Laurens is making trips up that way. Triangle is destined to be a railroad town in the near future.

Mr. C. C. Featherstone and sister, of Anderson, spent Xmas in this community.

Miss Meta Trowbridge, one of Piedmont's most attractive young ladies, spent a few days recently with Miss Anna Clark.

Friendship Church has secured the services of Rev. Mr. Miller for the present year. Opinion in regard to the Murray bill is considerably mixed. In our opinion if left to the people next August will be carried.

Rev W. A. Clark will move into our paper this week. He is highly recommended and the people will doubtless give him a warm welcome.

CLINTON.

Rev. W. P. Jacobs, who has a library of some thousand or more volumes, lost by a thief some very valuable books a few days ago. Two sets of Commentaries and a set of systematic Theology, were among the books taken.

Mr. C. B. Franklin, late of Clinton, but now a citizen of Altoona, Fla., has been on a brief visit to Clinton recently. He speaks well of his adopted home and prospects. R. S. Craig has gone to Fla. to spend the winter and prospect for business. We wish him complete success.

Miss Hadie Thompson, of Walhalla, is spending some time with her brother, Mr. R. S. Thompson. Miss H. is no stranger among us and is always welcome to Clinton.

Miss Clara Vance has recently returned from an extended visit to relatives and friends in north Georgia. The little folks and big folks all met her with outstretched arms and hearts.

R. H. Barton, of Clarke County, Ark., paid a brief visit to his uncle, Dr. Boxer, a few days ago. He reports crops good, and money plenty in his part of the State. Mr. Barton's visit is somewhat a matter of business, he expects to carry back a few hounds with him.

Mr. R. S. Phinney, so well known to almost every one who has ever visited Clinton, has just accepted a situation with M. S. Baley & Sons, where he will be glad to see all his old friends and the ladies in particular.

A very neat uniform of brown worsted has been adopted for the girls of the Orphanage. That institution has been most fortunate in the reception of many valuable and timely Christmas presents.

While on the subject of Christmas presents, your Clinton correspondent takes this method of thanking his thanks for that nice silk handkerchief and that very pretty smoking set, and assures the fair donors that both they and their presents shall ever be held in most friendly remembrance.

The last family which is to move to a new home for the current year, has got brought with that job. Mr. Thompson is in his new home. Mr. Benson is in the house vacated by Mr. Thompson, and Mr. H. Y. Vance is in Mr. Benson's house.

Mr. J. W. Adair, who was severely hurt in his steam boiler accident, the goods able to be out. It is hoped that he will ultimately be able to have pretty fair use of his hand and arm.

The tax payers of Clinton by a unanimous vote, agreed to carry a limited list of ten thousand dollars in aid of the Georgia, Carolina & Northern railroad.

At a meeting of citizens held a few days ago, the following ticket was endorsed for towns council for the current year: Intendant, W. A. Shandor, wardens, C. R. Hale, W. B. Owens, R. H. McCarver and C. C. Briggs.

The exercises of all the Clinton schools have resumed and notwithstanding the severe weather and prevalence of smog, the classes are unusually full.

Rev. N. B. Williams has gone to his new field of work at Maysville, in Sumter County. We bespeak for him that welcome which is due to a gentleman of unusual culture and refinement of manners and piety.

Rev. D. P. Boyd was returned to Clinton Circuit by the Conference, under the gratification of the entire circuit. He is at this time just recovering from a very severe attack of complicated measles, but will soon be at his post of duty.

HIGHLAND HOME.

OBSERVER.

I have heard it said that when a young man first starts among the girls, the weather is always the first thing discussed. I am very sure if that be true, that the present would be a very favorable time to start. The cold wave signified by the Advertiser, although a day or two behind, has most certainly been followed by a snow storm, then a little more moderate and then at last with another snow storm. Doubtless those of your readers who are near enough to observe the signals, were made aware of the approach of the storm in time to prepare that very important article, fire-wood; whilst we who are not fortunate have been out in the snow to get it. But then you know it would not do for all of us to know before hand what is coming in the way of weather.

Before I pass from the weather, let me say that I think it is very favorable on our wheat crops, and we may confidently look for a good wheat crop. At least such is the opinion of your correspondent, given for what it is worth.

Our observations have been very limited this week, but we may give you some made at an earlier date. Mr. W. B. Cannon and some of his neighbors have grown the past year a most curious variety of long-staple cotton. Mr. Cannon realized for his growth in 1886 and Mr. R. H. Yargin sold one bale of the crop of 1887 in your town for in a few weeks ago. The variety is "The Bristow Long-staple" and is said to be superior to the "Allen" long-staple. Seed of this variety can be obtained from either of the above named gentlemen and perhaps from two or three others in limited quantities.

Capt. Boney, Section Master on G. & L. R. R., who was wounded in your town on Xmasday, has nearly recovered and will soon be ready for duty again.

I observe that the labor of the country is to some extent unsettled, as I see moves almost every day. I believe the farmers of this place are all well supplied with labor for this year, and I hear some of them say they are determined to buy less commercial fertilizer and make more at home. I am sure if the farmers would reduce the amount they have been using to one-half, and make up the amount in home-made manure, they would be better off next fall.

Will not you, Mr. Editor, in your usual happy style, urge upon the farmers the necessity of growing more of their supplies at home. Without our supplies at home and a few bales of cotton on hand and out of debt, what need we care for corners in corn, bacon or flour. But I fear that time is far distant yet.

The people have become so fearful in debt that they are almost compelled to plant their whole crop in cotton in the fall. I say, and they find themselves deeper than ever in debt. But with the bright star hope to lead us and our past experience as to our errors to guide us, may we not with redoubled zeal and energy, enter upon the duties of this year with greater prospects of success.

SIMPSON'S MILLS. NIX.

Married, Dec. 29, 1886, by the Rev. J. A. Cooper, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Galloway, to Miss Della Elledge. They have one best wish in their new life.

Misses Clara McDaniel and Mittie Henderson spent Christmas at home with parents and friends. They return to Thonon Path on Sunday next.

Mr. James Downey spent Christmas at home. He returned to Atlanta on Monday next, to finish his lectures at the Medical College.

Mr. G. Y. Moore also returned to his studies in Augusta on the 3rd.

Moving seems to be the order of the day. I hope everybody will be benefited by so doing, but I should prefer to find a place of plenty these hard times. Let us all try to be contented with our lot and do the best we can, hoping it will be better by and by.

Farmers are uneasy about the crop as there has been so much cold weather for the last three weeks. The ground in this section is frozen and covered with snow.

The old year has passed away and a new one set in. Let us hope that every one will forget the past and begin anew with more determined effort to make the new one a brighter and a happier one than we had for many and also to determine to use more economy and work harder if possible than we have done before. In the country, corn, bacon and hams are the staples. All that has been said in the past is that high waters, droughts, misadventures, rains, and pestilence prevail.

DEAR SIR, IN MY SPINY FOREHEAD, ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 10, To the Editor of the Advertiser. I write the above from the South. I have here in order to evade the severe winters of the North, I have tried to sing in the enclosed sketch how I might have in the act of evading the severe winters of the extreme North. It is of course, only a rough sketch, but that is the kind of sketch we were having when I made this sketch. (Here is the place where the seekers after a summer climate winter in snow knee deep where snow is supposed to lie.)

The tracks in the foreground are only lead tracks. They did not exist in reality at the time I made the sketch. In the left middle the horse grounds stand the stables of these things, wrapped in against the wind and a pair of adult elephants. It is about to become the winter of the tracks, lead to the left hand where there is no winter here.

A large number of people are seen by going over the snow in the snow, shown in the extreme background and hearing of it in the left about three hundred miles. In the house there is a pair of Rubber boots and a case of soap.

The entire problem in the foreground has just been solved by being in the snow with a pair of boots and is about to return to the owner. He is content with his instrument then with the pair of boots, of which he is passionately fond.

In the background, by the way, the tobacco slide, may be seen a family of three or four in the snow. This picture is not for the human race, rhinoceroses and giraffes.

Many people come here to evade the winter and what you observe that they may have an interest in the thing. Beyond the highest line of hills at the back of this picture, and extending as far as the eye can reach, may be seen a broad expanse of air. Such as it is, every one may help himself to it.

I thought before I commenced that I would find the globe rattling through the rushing tongs of the magnolia and the mocking bird cooing to its mate, but as I write the snow is nearly two feet deep on a level, trails are not expected for six days and the snow is still falling.

Imagine a light, girlish figure like my own, clad in a curled creaserucker, a Madras hat and a fire shovel battling with the elements and digging holes through the virgin snow in order to get to the grocery store.

"Ye, once I was pure as the beautiful snow."

It wasn't over twelve or thirteen years ago that the middle.

I had thought that the only of the orange blossom and the white julep would float along upon the gentle bow of the soft and voluptuous air. I had planned to myself a land of south seas and song-bird breezes instead of which I seem to be the principal sufferer by snow.

I was fool enough to imagine this a broad and beautiful green State, with here and there a dark rock is-ternal blue across it, but the whole surface of the earth is covered knee-deep with the same kind of snow that people select up in Manitoba when they decide to perish and want something in which to do up their remains.

People here say that this is an unusual winter, and that it is why I am bitterly disappointed. I've been in Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Main, Oregon, Montana, Washington Territory, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Chicago in winter, but in each one of those localities I was so unfortunate as to strike an unusual winter. For thirty-five years in and in various parts of the United States I have been the victim of unusual winters. I came here to evade this very thing. I said to my family last fall:

"It looks now as though we are going to have another South winter here. We will go South just as soon as we can and see how it will be there."

The result is, the old times say they have never had such an unusual winter, since they have been here, although the winters have been growing more and more unusual for ten years. I thought that here I would sit on the vine-covered porch all the living day and smoke a cob pipe, while drowsy influences and enveloping soft would soothe my troubled blood. So far it has been different.

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Wines and Liquors, WHISKY, BEER, & C. E. L. BISHOP. But this does not end the list. We have a car load of: SEWING MACHINES. As premiums, for 100 new cash subscribers we give an improved sewing machine with attachments, valued at \$50.00. REMEMBER, you can send on two or any number of new subscribers at a time and the number will be placed to your credit and thus you will not have to wait until your list is completed. Work for the Advertiser, it will pay you. Now we come again. Hundreds of boys and girls will grasp this opportunity and in addition to the above unprecedented and unheard of offers, we will give Five Dollar Gold Piece to the person who gets up the largest number of subscribers during 1887, to be given on the 20th December. But above all, don't forget that the subscription to our mammoth weekly will remain ONE DOLLAR A YEAR. We want 2000 new subscribers during 1887, and must have them. Boys begin at once. Remember, if you only get two, you get a handsome present, and if you get 15 during the year, you get a watch for Christmas. Any boy or girl can do this easily.