

# The Advertiser.

LAURENS, April 13 1887.

## A Local and Special, &c.

**New Advertisements.**—J. A. Barksdale, Insurance Licenses; Jas. G. Bailey & Son, Cheapest Carpets in Augusta; J. H. Zeigler, Led Astry; J. E. Wilkes, School Books; J. M. Hampton, Real Estate for sale; Jas. Bell, Bridge to Let; J. F. Martin & Co., Wide Open; R. L. Bishop, Gone to the Mountains; C. D. Barksdale, Insurance License; Gray & Anderson, Doors, Sash and Blinds.

### Personal.

The family of W. H. Gilkerson are on a visit to Cokesbury.

Col J. H. Tranyan with his little son visited Charlotte last week.

Mr Murphy, manager of the Cash Co. at this place, is in Augusta on business.

The first of a series of matrimonial engagements will be consummated this week.

Mr Larry W. Boyd of the South Carolina College, is spending a few days at home.

Mr W. P. Dix, of New York, visited friends and relatives at his place, his old home, last week.

Mrs Anna Simpson, Mrs Terry and Miss Lucia Knox of Alabama, are visiting the family of Dr J. P. Simpson.

We had a pleasant call last week from Maj. Robert N. Cunningham, of Waterloo. He is one of the most successful agriculturalist of this County.

Mr and Mrs Jno N. Wright received a telegram on Saturday, calling them to Columbia, where their little daughter Leslie is dangerously ill.

Rev J. M. Carlisle has been quite sick and unable to meet his appointments for the past week. We are pleased to learn, however, that he is at this time improving.

Rev Tros H. Law, of Spartanburg, preached to a large congregation at this place last Sunday morning and delivered a lecture on the work of the American Bible Society, which he represents, in theevening. A number of new members of the society were enrolled.

The survivors of Company G, Laurens Btys, will meet at Lanford on Thursday the 14th.

The school house at Rocky Mount near Mt. Gallagher, was burned on the 2nd inst. by an incendiary. Another building will be erected at once.

The Chronicle of Charlotte, announces that mumps and measles have given way to itch in that city. Even candidates have abandoned hand-shaking in Charlotte.

Edgefield Monitor says: Some of the people of Laurens have compromised their character for sobriety by claiming to have discovered a dancing star. Don't touch the poisonous stuff.

White coming to this place last week in a vehicle, Mrs. W. B. Compton was thrown out, falling on a stone, cutting her head and face; also dislocating her wrist joint. The wound has caused her intense pain, but she is doing very well.

We have received a copy of an address delivered by the late Ex-Gov. B. F. Perry, delivered before the Literary Societies of Erskine College 43 years ago, and republished by his wife, that his words of wisdom may still benefit the rising generation.

Editor Petty of the Spartanburg *Spartan*, says if our farmers desire to raise pindar for the children, let them by all means, get the Spanish pindar, for this is prolific, early and most easily gathered. They all cluster around the tap root, and can be pulled up with it and picked off at some leisure time.

Some days ago our correspondent "On Dit" gave a gentleman with an extended "entitlement," but a man who lives in this county, near Musgroves Mills, born just after the war was christened "Benjamin Butler Barto Bee Breckinridge Beaufort Robert Lee." Lee Ben Barkdale Bird Bill Brown, and strange as it may seem, they call him Big Brown for short.

The elegant residence of Judge Metcalf, which cost \$30,000, was destroyed at Abbeville on the 5th inst., and also the Presbyterian church at that place.

The fire is supposed to have originated while timbers were repairing the roof, of Judge McGowan's house. It was insured for \$7,000, but the church was not insured.

"En Passant," of the *Herald* says: The Triangle correspondent of the *Advertiser* last week took us to task about the "little brown jug." He must have had some of that "rood and rye" in his own eyes or he would have noticed that we never said it went to Triangle. But we would call especially attention to the number of "Bay windows" of which the little town can boast, of more than any town of its size this side Holland.

Two of our neighbors returning from Laurens sometime ago, as we are informed, imbibed a little too freely and both had their experience. One lying in the wagon thought he was dead and was in his coffin, and was being carried to the grave yard, but was unable to speak and tell them he was not dead. The other was driving the team and by some mishap was thrown astride the forewheel, when he commenced treading the hub thinking he was riding on a bicycle, and only found out the true state of things when he landed in a mud hole. It will do that way, won't it? "On Dit?"

Remember the place, J. F. Martin & Co. have a full and complete store of Hoes, Plows, Paints, Oils, &c., and Harness of every description and harness repairing done at short notice and low rates.

### We Observe

That the matrimonial market is active. That this town could easily carry \$50,000 in bonds to aid the factory.

That the appearance of Spring has brought out the whitewash brush.

That some of the stores are particularly attractive since the arrival of new goods.

That "Louva, the Pauper" will be rendered to-night by the best amateur talent afloat.

That a grand picnic excursion is now in order.

That the merchant is a great crank who does not advertise because trade is dull. That is the way to sharpen it. Press says he is the smartest youth of his acquaintance.

That the appearance of the Benders has been greatly improved by paint.

### Teachers Need Teaching.

Among the examination papers of some of the colored applicants for certificates to teach public schools, who were examined last week, some very important changes in history, geography etc, were made.

For instance, one would-be-teacher said, that nullification broke out in 1855 and led to the battle of Bull Run." Another gave as a definition of nullification, that it was "when a bill failed to reach the President."

Another said that Rodger Williams was a great warrior and nobleman and that Switzerland is noted for wool and coffee.

One gave "Iceland, Scotland, New Zealand and Sanfrancisco, as the principle Island of the West Indies."

The board of examiners have marked the papers close, and consequently, the number of first and second grade teachers will be considerably less than usual.

J. F. Martin & Co. have a full line of Millinery and of the very latest designs and patterns.

### Improvements.

Dr L. S. Fuller has had his elegant residence in Brooklyn neatly painted and otherwise improved.

Mr. J. J. Pluss has just completed another neat cottage near his residence in Jersey.

The work of constructing cisterns for the fire department was commenced on Saturday. Two large tanks, with capacity of 75,000 gallons each, will be placed on each side of the Court House.

A neat awning has been erected in front of the home of J. O. C. Fleming & Co.

Gray & Sullivan contemplate building a number of residences in the near future.

Rev. W. P. Jacobs, of Clinton honored The Advertiser with a call on Saturday.

Ladies, Gentlemen and Childrens shoes in endless variety at remarkably cheap prices at J. F. Martin & Co's.

### Attempt at Poisoning.

One day last week a negro girl attempted to poison the family of Dr. J. P. Hunter, who lives a few miles from this place. Ida Bryson, 15 years of age, had been bound to Dr. Hunter by the County Commissioners, and without any intention of her purpose on Tuesday morning she secured a package of "rough on rats" and placed it in the food she was preparing for the family. Several members of the family became quite sick for a time, but we are glad to learn, recovered. The girl was lodged in jail where she confessed the crime and gave as her reasons that she thought if she could kill Mrs. Hunter she would gain her liberty.

This piece is getting up quite a building boom. Mr. J. T. Harris is erecting a large brick mill and gin near the railroad track. It will be so constructed as to allow freight to be loaded and unloaded from or to the cars. This will be a great convenience, and save much in the way of hauling. Mr. D. C. Smith has bought two of the lots where the stones were burned some time ago, from Mrs. Harris. Mr. Elliott has the contract for the building, and will commence work immediately. Ere long we will have one more, one of the prettiest little towns in the my country.

Mrs. Margaret Simkins, who has been quite sick for some time, has gone to Washington, Ga., where she will remain for some time under the care of her sister, and we trust she will return much improved.

Don't fail to look through our Clothing and Hats before you buy. Prices were never lower.

J. F. Martin & Co.

### A Generous and Extensive Loan.

An earnest Christian lady makes the following offer to our readers: "I will loan, free of post and all charges, to seven of your readers as will promise a careful reading and to pay return postage after reading it, a book which in its teaching style shows the Bible to be a self-interpreter, and its teachings graciously harmonious, viewed in the light of sanctified reason and common sense."

I want to put this book into the hands of all the skeptically inclined, as an aid and guard against the growing scientific skepticism. It is not dry, musty reading, but truly meat in due season to the truth-hungry. The light of this precious little volume has made the Bible a new book, a treasure, a矿山 of wealth, to many as well as to myself.

And I feel that I cannot better use my means than in circulating this work by the thousand." Address Postal Card to

Mrs. C. B. Lamers, Allegheny, Pa.

THINGS THAT PEOPLE TALK ABOUT.

What is Said and Done in the County, As Told By Our Correspondents.

ORA. EIGLA.

Mr. C. O. Interkin, who we reported as being very ill last week, died of typhoid pneumonia on the 8th inst. His remains were buried at Warrior Creek burrying ground. The whole comunity sympathize with the family in their great trouble.

We went fishing a few evenings since and succeeded in catching three minnows the size of a young spring lizard.

Burnett, the ex murderer, mentioned in our last communication as having been captured, is still at large, roaming the forests. A reward of three coon skins, a rabbits paw and a number of possum hides, will be readily paid for his capture.

We went fishing a few evenings since and succeeded in catching three minnows the size of a young spring lizard, an immense turtle as large as a nickel box of blacking and a first rate chub. Pretty good for Bush river.

The majority of the farmers are about ready to plant cotton, but the weather is most too cool yet. Corn that has been planted more than a month is beginning to put in appearance. The wheat crop is booming, and is as fine as we ever saw at this season of the year.

We had the pleasure of visiting our sister town, Lanford, a few days since, and were agreeably surprised to see the great change that has been wrought in

a few months. They now have three new store-rooms, a shoe shop, and a wood rack. Two flourishing schools in the vicinity, and a nicely finished church. We learn that other buildings will be erected in a short time.

Rev. J. L. Barnatt has a call to supply the church at Langston, and we learn he has accepted.

Oras is still leading in the business line. Our enterprising merchant, R. P. Milam, is dealing out the groceries and dry goods by wholesale as well as retail.

The rush has been so great that he has employed a young clerk, and while the young man is still ignorant of the meaning of cost, marks, and time prices, we bespeak for him a brilliant career.

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