The Advertiser.

LOCAL.

"You never hear the bee complain,
Nor hear it weep nor wail;
But, if it wish, it can unfold
A very painful tale."

We notice that our delegate to St. Louis, N. B. Dial, Esq., will take in Chicago before he returns.

The recent enforcement of the vagrant law has had the effect of ridding our town of some very questionable characters. We have a few left yet.

The Wagon Factory company decided last week to push the enterprise to completion at once. $10,000 is the capital stock, all of which is subscribed.

The McCarley building on the corner of Saxon and South streets is being remodeled and converted into a handsome residence. Mr. H. E. Gray is superintending the work.

A negro boy by the name of Wedeman stole some money from his father and left. He was captured upon a telegram at Greenville and returned to this place and was turned over by his father to the authorities.

Spartanburg rather got on to the boys yesterday from all accounts. The score stood 6 to 2 against Laurens. Much dissatisfaction has arisen from the fact that Spartanburg put up a hired battery. Another game will be played to-day, which may possibly reverse this record.

Improvements and alterations are being made in the Babb Block, and the two store-rooms, corner of Main and Harper streets are being fitted up for J. F. Martin & Co. as a hardware and harness establishment. Large doors have been made to connect the two rooms.

We noticed Mr. Adolphus Shell among his friends in Laurens. He has for several years traveled extensively in England and the West, and is now located in New York city. He will remain with friends and relatives here several weeks.

J F Martin & Co and John B. Deshields have formed a co-partnership to engage in the furniture business at this place on an extensive scale. They have secured a house in the Watt's Block, and rented Watt's find for a ware-room.

Dr. Clarence L. Poole, a young and talented physician of this place, and Miss Lula Little, a popular young lady of our town, were married on Thursday evening at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. G. F. Little, Rev. E. O. Frierson officiating.

Capt. R. H. Hudgens has been given the contract to repair the Court House, a corner of which will have to be pulled down and rebuilt owing to the foundation giving way. One of the county commissioners informed us that if the funds hold out they propose to do some much needed pointing on this building.

Rev. Joe Jones, the revivalist, passed through this place last week, with his bride whom he wedded on Wednesday. It seems that the mother of the young lady, Miss Bessie Farrow, of Cross Anchor, withheld her consent for several days and frustrated the marriage, but at length, by dint of strategy and persistence, the twain were made one, and here ended the opposition. Mr. Jones left this place carrying his four young children who had meanwhile been left with relatives, to his home in Cartersville, Ga., on Friday last.

F. P. McGowan, Esq., of the firm of Benet & McGowan, has applied to the Supreme Court for a mandamus to compel the Comptroller General to allow the claim of a widow who has applied for a pension. The woman's husband was killed in the war, and she would be entitled to a pension but for the fact that she married again. Her second husband is now dead and the case involves the construction of the pension Act. The question to be decided is, whether the woman is the widow of her first or second husband, or both

On the evening of the 8th inst, at half past nine o'clock, a little blaze was discovered in the store of J. H. James, which came near being a disastrous fire. Being discovered in due time however, it was promptly extinguished by removing the burning articles. The fire department responded and beat the record in getting a full head of steam, but the engine was fortunately not needed. The fire was supposed to have been caused by rats igniting matches. The stock was insured in the Northern and Royal company, Tranyham & Dial, agents, and the loss was adjusted on Monday by the agents. The damage claimed was $9 39, which was the amount paid.

The Coming Event.

Everything is now being done towards making the commencement exercises of the Laurensville Female college a grand success. Teachers are busy and pupils are fitting themselves to come up to the ultimatum in making the occasion attractive, while the bare mention of the distinguished speakers is a guarantee that all who attend will be amply repaid.

Thursday evening, June 21st is "Childrens' Night," and Friday night will be given to the Male Academy, and in the College chapel the pupils will declaim and also hear the address which Col. Ball has been invited to deliver.

Sunday, June 24th, at 11 o'clock a. m., the Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. A. A. Marshall, D D, of Anderson.

Monday evening the celebration of the Literary Society of the Female college.

Tuesday, June 26th, address by Rev W. D. Kirkland of Columbia.

Tuesday evening, alumnae essay by Mrs Emma Auld of Greenwood. Essays of the graduating class, presentations of diplomas.

Deaths.

Mr. Henry Fuller, a well known and highly esteemed citizen, died rather unexpectedly at his home eight miles from this place on Monday last.

Mrs. Temperance Mahaffey died on Sunday last at her home near Eden.

THE CONVENTION.

BEN TILLMAN CAN NAME THE OFFICE AND TAKE IT.

Some Spicy Speeches and Racy Resolutions

What the County Organization of Farmers Accomplished—Not Disposed to "Quibble" but Rather Tie On to Tillman.

In accordance with the call of G. W. Shell, President of the Farmers' Association for Laurens county, the Executive Committee assembled on Saturday last. Being a secret session of course this "little paper" was denied admission, as was expected. The following gentlemen were present: G. W. Shell, W. A. McCullough, J. D. Byrd, W. H. Hellams, G. W. Duvall, Jas. Bell, Dr. M. C. Cox, G. C. Young, L. E. Farley, Dr. J. S. Wolfe, L. W. C. Blalock, C. M. Sullivan, E. G. Mitchell.

At 12 o'clock the Convention was called and the delegates, together with a few spectators, assembled in the Court House.

On motion of J. M. Hudgens, M. L. Donaldson of Greenville, was invited to a seat on the floor of the convention.

MR. DONALDSON

came forward and said: "Gentlemen of the Convention. It is a pleasure to me to meet the farmers of Laurens, and this pleasure would be greatly augmented if I could remain during your deliberations, but I must return on the next train. I have reason to feel a genuine pleasure in being with you to-day, for it is no lip service when I say that I could not find words to express my feelings when I read your warm resolutions endorsing my candidacy. I said then I had rather be defeated with the support of my fellow farmers than elected without it. Organization is what we need. This reminds me of an old farmer who found the crow very troublesome. They pulled up his corn and he made a scarecrow, which did the work effectually. They lighted upon the thing and continued their depredations. Finally the old gentleman complained to his wife, said, "old woman, I must lose my corn." "Well no," said the old woman, "put more heads together, or let me and gals help." They all went to work and fixed up a scarecrow which, as the old man remarked, "not only stopped the crows from pulling corn but actually made them return the corn they had taken."

We farmers are less organized than any class. Let us put our heads together and we will not only keep the crows from pulling our corn, but will get some of our corn back. When a man tells me the farmers are not organized and talk corn and cotton, but when he touches politics he slips out and shoot him. I put it down as hollowness. Everything that is done affects our interests, hence it behooves us to organize to protect our interests. I have seen broad acres only yesterday, which for fertility would make the fattest lands of Europe instantly unheard. You are to be the men upon whom the glorious work of improving your condition. When a man talks to me about splitting the Democratic party, I tell him like the old woman who kissed the cow, that as they like it they don't like our way they can fall out of ranks."

After advising the convention to be wise and conservative, Mr. Donaldson left for the depot.

On motion W. P. Coker, the chairman of each township delegation was requested to hand in the names of the delegates. Here is the list as handed in, minus the whereas, etc., omitted:

CROSS HILL.—J. G. Williams, F. M. Cain, M. G. Thompson, R. Goodman, G. L. Crisp, J. D. Garlington, M. M. Teague, S. H. Goggins, R. N. Cunningham.

JACKS.—L. W. Copeland, T. J. Dillard, R. P. Adair, J. R. Ray, P. M. Pitts, E. T. Oxner, Dr. E. Taylor, P. B. Gillian, G. C. Young.

DIALS.—W. T. Dorroh, W. T. McElroy, Aaron Cannon, A. C. Owings, L. L. Henry, J. R. Martin, J. G. Wolfe, H. D. Stewart, R. J. Taylor.

LAURENS.—Jas. Bell, John A. Madden, J. D. M. Shaw, Dr. Wm. Wright, L. E. Farley, A. C. Fuller, W. L. Cunningham, W. L. Gray, Jos. Wham.

HUNTER.—J. G. Blalock, W. H. Workman, J. W. C. Bell, J. L. Crawford, A. G. Young, L. W. C. Blalock, S. W. Vance, J. H. Hunter, D. D. Little.

SUCCESS TOWN.—G. W. Duvall, J. D. Byrd, O. P. Goodwin, H. P. Blakeley, B. M. Henry, J. M. Donnan, W. A. McCullough, R. L. Cleveland, M. A. Summerel.

SULLIVAN.—E. G. Mitchell, R. D. Boyd, T. R. Wood, C. Lark, W. L. Wood, J. E. Wood, J. M. Hellams, N. B. Wood, C. M. Sullivan.

WATERLOO.—W. H. Henderson, J. M. Hudgens, J. H. Wharton, Jas. Downey, A. W. Sims, F. D. Coleman, W. I. Millsp, J. L. Harris, D. W. Anderson.

YOUNG.—W. P. Harris, J. A. Riddle, A. Cook, C. R. Wallace, O. G. Thompson, M. C. Cox, W. H. Drummond, W. T. Parks, W. P. Coker.

Maj. R. N. Cunningham came forward and said he desired to correct a rumor which had just reached him on the streets, to the effect that he had combined with Moss, Jones and Irby to elect the three to the legislature, and he desired it distinctly understood that this report was absolutely false. "I combine with no one. I have my hands full to pull myself through."

CAPT. SHELL'S SPEECH.

Capt. G. W. Shell arose and said: "Gentlemen of the Convention: In behalf of the Executive Committee and myself I thank you for the large number of delegates present. At this time of the year when farmers are willing to leave their work, it signifies something. What is the object of your meeting to-day? You have met for a purpose. You have been called together to discuss your own affairs. Perhaps some of you have not been fully informed as to the object of this meeting. I will tell you. Sometime ago the Executive Committee of the State Farmers' Association met in Columbia and recommended some things which need our attention. Among these was the action of an extravagant State government. They undertook to make recommendations to correct this policy which is inimical to our interests.

Fellow citizens, what is our attitude towards this State government? Two years ago in our organized capacity the farmers asked the State to give us an Agricultural College. Have we the College? Have we the remotest promise of fulfillment? The legislature not only refused peremptorily but gave instead something altogether unnecessary and unappreciated. We asked for an Agricultural college where the sons of farmers and all others may be educated. At one moment we are told the State is too poor, and the next moment more is given to the State University than we asked. You are given three experimental stations. What are they but miserable subterfuges and depositories of the people's money to appease some irate politicians. I would not remove a shingle nor a brick from the

SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE,

but let us figure a little. The catalogue shows 160 students in attendance at this institution. At the Citadel 58 beneficiaries. These institutions except the small slice of the appropriation given to Claflin for free negroes, receive $97,000. I would not emphasize the term *free negroes*, but there the reporter failed to catch a few words.) Where are the daughters of the farmers of Laurens county? Many are dragging at the end of a hoe, while the free negroes are being educated, and for what? Are you satisfied, if so let it be. Are you willing to be taxed 15½ mills to be frittered away on such institutions? Are you willing to pay those enormous salaries? We have in this county what is called a free school system, a poor miserable system. Out of this school fund comes not only the Commissioner's salary, but all the expenses of the school and we have $1 50 per capita left for the poor children. 100 students at the University, 68 at the citadel and 157,000, nearly $900 each, for who? Not sons of the poor men of South Carolina. Do you see the discrimination? I say it and I don't care who it offends, the South Carolina Military Academy is only an alms house for pauper's sons, broken down aristocrats, who are too lazy to work. I would not mention these things but I want you to see the discrimination.

I have a few words to say in conclusion. We have something to do and it is this: There is a strong opposition to the Farmers' organization and it must be met. We are on the eve of a campaign which reaches from the President down. In a few days you will see in the *News and Courier*, Grover Cleveland for President, John Peter Richardson and the whole ticket. If this be your will it is all right. You should begin at Governor to see to it that only such men are selected, and what I mean by such men is men who are in full sympathy with our movement. Elect men in sympathy with you and if they do any wrong, cut their heads off. I beg that your deliberations be characterized with moderation."

Here Narcissus Cannon arose and presented a paper which he was instructed by the Executive Committee to propose, as follows:

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, the State Executive committee of the Farmers' Association have issued an address to the people pointing out unmistakably the errors and extravagance of our State government, and suggesting plans and methods of reform, and whereas, it is apparent from the assessed valuation of property the wealth of the State is depreciating, while the enormous expenditures are increasing, and whereas, the people have assembled again and again repeating their demands for retrenchment and reform in the management and administration of the affairs of the State, and whereas, the reasonable demands of the farmers have been ignored and denied, subjecting legislation involving the State in debt for useless purposes, taxing the people beyond their means of paying, and indulging in extravagance that is becoming alarming, when compared with the expenses of our sister States' government whose estimated capacity and citizenship greatly exceeds ours. And whereas the people have appealed in vain to the legislature to correct the misgovernment of, and having confidence in the abitrament of the people, we submit the question and urge the necessity of a thorough organized effort to elect to the next legislature, men who are competent and loyal to the farmers' organization and principles, and who will defend their rights and work for the reforms demanded.

Therefore be it

RESOLVED, 1. We reiterate our demand for a reduction of the expenditures of our State Government upon the basis recommended by the State Executive Committee of the Farmer's Association.

RESOLVED, 2. We urge our State Government to accept with gratitude the munificent bequest of Mr. Clemson and shall ever hold his memory and munificence in grateful remembrance, and to show our appreciation of his noble charity, we demand it as our right of our next General Assembly to supplement his gift with the necessary appropriation to make it an Agricultural and Mechanical college worthy of it illustrious founder as well as a God-send to the posterity of the State.

RESOLVED 3. We will not vote to nominate any Candidate for the house of Representatives or Senate who is not in sympathy with the farmers association and who does not pledge himself unreservedly and publicly to vote and work for the establishment of state agricultural and mechanical College at Fort Hill and for the application of all money properly obtained for agricultural education and for such measures as will equalize assessments.

At the request of several the address of the State Executive committee was read.

Dr. A. C. Fuller moved to adopt the resolutions, and W. L. Gray amended by adding that they be adopted *seriatim*, which was carried. Several minor changes in the phraseology of the resolutions as drafted by the Executive Committee were made, but they are substantially the same.

Carrying out the Committee's instructions further, Mr. Cannon read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: Relying upon his ability and our confidence in the integrity of Capt. B. R. Tillman to take care of the best interests of the people, we submit that his eminent qualifications entitle him to substantial recognition, and as such pledge ourselves to support him for any office to which he may be called by the farmers of South Carolina.

After the reading of this resolution, W. L. Gray took the floor in opposition, but his remarks were so numerous and varied that the reporter for this "other little paper" was unable to catch the trend of his argument. While bestowing fulsome praise upon Mr. Tillman, he objected to the resolutions and hoped they would not pass. This brought L. E. Farley to his feet, who was a supporter of the resolution. Said he, "There is no beating around the fact that

TILLMAN IS THE FARMERS' MOVEMENT,

and the farmers' movement is Tillman. He has done the work and the chicanery and stood the abuse, and this resolution is but a worthy recognition of his services, especially as he is to-day under a cloud."

Dr. Cox opposed the resolution. "I am willing to hug the agricultural college, but this thing of raising a great hurrah to put one man above everybody else, I don't like. Let us stick to the farmers' movement, to the principles we advocate and when the time comes we can elect our men." Mr. Farley was called to explain what he meant by Tillman being under a cloud. He said he referred to the late convention and the course of the News and Courier, which paper controlled the politics of South Carolina. C. M. Sullivan: "It makes no difference what the News and Courier and the

OTHER LITTLE PAPERS

say, I am in favor of endorsing Capt. Tillman and I know my township will approve that action." Dr. A. C. Fuller: "It seems to me we have reached a crisis. We must recognize Capt. Tillman or follow the advice of the N. & C. and "unload" him. For one will not consume him." Dr. Wright: I sympathise very much with Capt. Tillman. He has been accused of working for self aggrandisement, and we ought to do nothing that would strengthen this belief that he is seeking office."

Here a motion was made to lay the whole subject on the table, and resulted, 22 in favor of the motion and 46 against it. Dr. A. C. Fuller offered an amendment which was carried and the resolutions passed as given above. The convention then adjourned.

PERSONAL.

Miss Maggie Boyd, has returned from Huntsville, Ala., where she has been at school.

Mrs. J. H. Tranyham is visiting relatives in Spartanburg.

Mr. Bean of Charleston, is here for the purpose of getting up a writing class.

A pleasant sociable was enjoyed by the young people on Monday night at the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

We noticed the genial face of Dr. B. F. Kilgore of Waterdale, on our streets on Monday.

Mr. E. O. Frierson, Jr., of Nashville, Tenn, is on a brief visit to his parents at this place.

Mrs. Piner of Newberry, is visiting at Mr. C. D. Barksdale's.

Mr. L. A. McCord has returned from a tour of the Southern States in the interest of Shoes. He resumes his place at Minter & Jamison's.

Dr Duff is

While thanking my friends of Scuffletown and other sections of the county for the honor conferred in nominating my name as a candidate for the office of county commissioner, I respectfully decline to enter the race.

GEO. M. HANNAH.

WATERLOO.

A Mr. Hudson, one of the Augusta detectives, left here yesterday having in charge a colored boy by the name of Willie Matthews, who has obtained judgment against the R. & P. railroad, for $10,000, sometime last. Matthews was employed by the company on the service train of the G. & C. division, and while at work, received the injuries for which he obtained the judgment. After being hurt he was carried to Augusta where he remained in the meantime bringing suit against the company, the case was tried, an appeal taken, during the time between the appeal to the Supreme Court, the negro giving up all hopes of ever receiving anything left Augusta, wandering from place to place, finally returned to the plantation of Mr. Thomas Smith, of this county. During his wandering judgment was obtained in his favor, and no one knowing the whereabouts of the boy, his attorney offered a reward for him, which resulted as above stated.

Miss Annie McFadden, who has been teaching the Tip Top school for the past year, has given vacation and will visit friends and relatives in the low country during the summer.

Mr. J. T. Harris, has made all necessary arrangements to furnish all kinds of lumber on short notice, and in connection has purchased Turning-lathes, Bracket-saws and other machinery necessary to run the lumber business, also he has purchased a first class Thresher, and will be ready to do any kind of work in that line.

The Rev. Dr Furman of Greenville, preached the dedication sermon here last Sunday to a large crowd in the Baptist Church. Services were opened with prayer by the pastor Rev R. W. Seymoure, after singing of a beautiful and appropriative hymn, the Dr rose taking for his text the 84th and 122 psalm, after about an hours discourse and intermission was given, and upon reassembling, the two newly appointed deacons, Mr. T. N. Parks and Col. J. H. Wharton were installed.

Miss Della McPherson one of Mt Pleasant's charming young ladies, visited Miss Gussie Henderson last week.

Dr Fowler of High Point, attended the dedication Sunday, from appearances we will ere long have him with us again.

Misses Athella and Sallie Boyd, two attractive and pleasant young ladies of Center Point, visited relatives in town on Sunday last.

JACH'N.

Miss Lillie White who has been seriously ill is recovering.

Miss Sallie Ann Gwinn is in a hopeful condition.

Rev. D. A. Fodd preached at Ebenezer on the fourth sunday. He is an interesting man who is ever laboring for his church.

Miss Emma gave a party on the evening of the 31st. Miss Alice Stewart and dear Richard were crowned king and queen.

Our friend A nash't called on Miss Lizzie since he received that ducking. Dont be afraid Griffeth the boys meant it only in fun. N.

DRAMATIC.

The Glowing Success of "Which Will He Marry."

The musical comedy "which will he marry" was presented by local talent of our city under the able management of Mrs J. E. Wilkes on last Friday evening, as the second of a series of entertainments given for the purpose of raising funds to improve the stage of the College Chapel.

The play, a racy comedy in itself, had been much improved by the introduction (by Mrs. Wilkes) of numerous snatching songs and choruses in appropriate places.

The following is a summary of the play. Squire Brushleigh an English gentleman, with a charming little daughter, has three nieces, a dashing girl, a dancing girl, and a dreaming girl, whom he is in duty bound to provide husbands for. These nieces have a friend who is a designing girl. A young blood son of an old friend, and who has saved the charming little daughter's life on a former occasion visits the old gentleman with the avowed purpose of marrying one of his nieces.

The three nieces, each in characteristic style lay siege to the young buck's heart, relying on the assistance of the designing girl, who in characteristic style loves the hero for her own sake and attempt to secure his happiness by a union with herself. But these young ladies are too awfully utter for the smart, young "Hinglishman," who wisely loves the squire's little daughter, and still more wisely tells her so. Convenient winds waft naval officers on the scene who for love's sake love the other maidens.

Prattleton Primrose is a comical old chesnut, with a long lost love, who is successively rejected by all the young ladies except the cook, but is finally boiled down into a living grin by the return of the lost Eliza.

The comedy ends with the usual cooing act, in which all evaporate into matrimonial imbecility.

Mr. Thad Nelson as Squire Brushleigh played his fatherly part in graceful and unartificial dignity.

Miss Jessie Richardson as his daughter Rose, should have been named Violet, from the exquisitely modest and charming though ernshing loveliness in which she played her part.

As Minnetta the dancing niece, Miss Stella Beard was the entire success that she is in all lively roles. Her singing of the "Dreamy Waltz" was enough to ruin the religion of a quaker.

As the dashing Sylvia, Miss Eliza McCaslan crushed the audience into a mass of admiration, and part of it into a mass of affection.

Miss Sallie Hardester, as Bella the deceitful, although she had an unnatural part, was one of the hits of the evening. As an ametuer performance hers would have attracted notice anywhere.

Miss Marie McCaslan, as Musidora, the dreamer, took all the melancholy pleasure in her part which it required, and when she sang "love comes like a summer sigh," she lost her very self in it.

Mr. Genie Wilkes as Cyril Dashwood, the hero and keen stab of the play, whom all the ladies longed for, was just the combination of well-bred hauteur, gentlemanly ease, and perfection of general get-up which the character of a London swell called for. His acting was very effective, and his magnificent bass voice was a feature of the play.

The acting and singing of Mr. Ashmore Davis as Primrose was exceptional and inimitable. His performance was among the male characters rather the best of the evening; at least it was provocative of more applause than any other. His rendition of the song, "All on account of Eliza" was fine as indeed all his singing was.

Mr. Bernard James as the Long-gone Eliza made the hit of his life so far as personal appearance goes.

Badger Bowes, who by the bye, seems to have inherited the mantle of Boss Crowe, made a respectable looking cook.

The naval officers were also very nice to look upon and Tom Lakes splendid tenor was nice to hear too, as was also Lyle Simpson's. As being on land the expression of their countinances was of course a little dry.

The musical part of the program can not be too highly praised; and Miss Rockie McCaslan, assisted by Messers Guy Garrett and Laurens Taylor who furnished the instrumental music deserve a large share of the credit.

The audience was large and appreciative. To conclude the largest share of honor in the whole affair is justly due to the untiring energy and skill of Mrs J. E. Wilks in bringing it to such a brilliant consummation.

MILTON.

It has been fearfully hot for the last three days. Thermometer registering as high as 90 in the hall at our house. This hot weather though is the life of cotton, and death to grass. The farmers have taken advantage of it and made a charge on Gen. Green that he will hardly recover from this season.

We have about finished harvesting grain and have a very sorry crop of wheat, oats and barley and roasting ear patches is to day in full silk and tassle, so it will not be many days before we are eating green corn. Mr. S. W. Vance had the misfortune last week of loosing his splendid Short Horn Cow, "Rose of Bellvue 4th," with lock jaw. A heavy loss these hard times, as she was a very valuable cow.

Miss Willie Gray daughter of Gen. J. W. Gray of Greenville, is visiting her cousins Misses Louise and Lillie Vance.

We have been using for the past two days two pennington side harrows sold by W. L. Boyd of your town. We consider them without doubt the best farm implements we have ever used where the land is well prepared they do beautiful work in corn, and enables a man to get over so much land in a day that he can cultivate his crop so much better without any increase of power. If you consider this an advertisement of Mr. Boyd's plow, send him the bill and make him pay for it, for he has no right to have such a good plow and not advertise it.

We think when Mr. Tillman reads the proceedings of the recent Farmers' Convention at Laurens he will be ready to say, "Good Lord save me from my friends!"

Mr. Jessie Young says there are two things he is bitterly opposed to, 1st, Negroes voting at Primary elections, and 2nd., South Carolina taking any stock in the Southern Emigration Society. Keep the negro out of politics and let the emigrants stay away from us, and we have the best labor and the best country on the globe.

PICKAWAY.

A Sketch of Graycourt.

FOR THE ADVERTISER:

I have been requested to write up our town,
And for this purpose I now sit down;
As guessing conundrums and making rhyme,
Are not my forte, please give me time.

Our town is rather small tis very true,
But life and business never gets blue;
We have room to spread and room to walk,
This vantage we have over New York.

Our homes are nice as can well be seen,
Though like angels visits star between;
Of our good women we are very proud,
And would boast a little if only allowed.

The merchants here, Gray Sullivan & Gray,
Are doing a business, they make pay:
And to induce a customer within,
John Bolt stands with a welcome grin.

Then Darroh and Peden, are up and doing,
And after that nickle are still persuing;
If a fellow comes in who has money about,
Henry Garrison will have it before he gets out.

Dr Cullertson is here to attend the sick
And when we send, he comes right quick;
Forthwith prescribes and calls for a nurse,
And if we don't get better, we soon grow worse.

Mr. R. A. Bass is settled here too,
And I would like to know what he can't do;
He paints very nicely and makes things drive,
And does everything else within that line.

There is J. P. Gray, I must give him around,
He is the happiest man there is in town;
He trades and traffies and gets along well,
Keeps plenty to eat and corn to sell.

There Geo. F. Dorroh, I must not forget,
For he is the best farmer we've had yet:
He pushes and stirs, keeps things moving,
While his old plantation is still improving.

Indeed our school is doing well,
What may be accomplished who can tell?
Hearving and polishing be given enough
To bring out the diamond in the rough.

To develop this talent Mr. Winn is here,
We may have here an embryo president,
Too high you say? Ah well I quoth,
From these walls a judge went forth.

Our moral tone is specially good,
I wish this to be understood,
Mr. Counts our preacher goes over the town,
And all misconduct, he frowns down.

Our neat little church upon the hill,
M. C. Britt the pulpit doth fill,
Once a month, as will be seen,
Though the sabbath school comes in between.

Then Highland Home is just below,
A spacious church, as all well know,
The pastor away from Pickens comes,
And on the road a tune he hums.

We think this place the garden spot of earth,
Perhaps 'tis because it gave us birth,
If anyone wishes his condition to mend,
Let him this way and a welcome extend.

MUSIC.

How to Judge a Candidate.

Candidates for office are generaly subject to various tests as to fitness for the place to waich which they aspire. This sifting impartially done is due the people and nothing unjust to a candidate.

There is one important test which as far as memory serves, we have never known applied to candidates, viz: prompt payment of debts. Does he pay his debts? But as some men would pay who honestly are unable to do so, the test may be expressed somewhat differently: Has the candidate the reputation of being a good pay master: or if from some misfortune or mistreatment by the other men, he is unable to pay, does he give a sufficient proof of a willingness and purpose to pay and that as soon as he can honestly do so?

A man who will evade, dodge, refuse or decline to pay his just debts should not be sent to the Legislature, or Congress, or be put in any office of honor or trust, high or low.

In sifting candidates it would not be out of place for voters to inquire, does he pay his debts? Does does he try to pay? All officers should be men that "do justly love mercy, and walk humbly with their God."

Those who nomiate men for office should not put any man before the people whose moral character is so crooked that a since Christian cannot conscientiously vote for him.

If those who nominate far office fail to put forth men who have a clear moral record and nominate others of bad morals—gamblers, swindlers, men who will not pay their debts, or those who use whiskey, and money to secure suffrage of voters—then let a Christian voter clepr his own conscience before God whether it be by voting the "ticket" by "scratching" or not voting at all

In case of defeat for lack of Christian votes, after the "party," or the "primary" or the "convention or the "ring" or the "clique," had nominated unworthy men, let the "lash" of "party loyalty" be applied to those who nominated the "unclean" rather than to Christian men that decline to vote for

'pe tio as dirant who by nomination had been placed astraddle of a "principle."

"The kings gate" was all right but Haaman who sat in it was such an ambitious and proud rascal that Mordecai would not bow to him—Christian Neighbor.

Mr. Gladstone has accepted the dedication of the English edition of Professor Villari's "Life of Savonarola." This work is now being translated into English by Mme. Villari.

Senator Palmer, of Michigan, is the owner of a fine homestead farm and he plants a tree there for every senator who visits him. Edmunds' is a beach, Jones' a mulberry and Sherman's a soft basswood.

The Hon. Charles Gayarre, who was a member of the United States senate fifty-three years ago, is still living in New Orleans. He was born in that city in 1805, and is said to be a walking encyclopædia of Louisiana history.

S. W. Burnham, of Chicago, who is presently going to California to take charge of the great telescope at the Lick observatory, has phenomenal eyes, which are said to have naturally as great a light grasping power as ordinary eyes get through a six inch telescope.

President Adams, of Cornell university, and President Hyde, of Bowdoin college, are said to be the only two college presidents who play tennis. Maine folks claim that President Hyde is the better player. A match to decide the question would be very interesting.

Mr. John Nesh, of Washington, has been dressed in the clothes worn by George Washington when resigning his commission, and photographed into a fair counterfeit presentment of the father of his country at 24. He has also successfully posed for Gen. Jackson in his after New Orleans clothes; so he may be set down as a young man of a gifted and most obliging countenance.

John Wanamaker's brother has been giving some reminiscences of the boyhood of the great Philadelphia merchant. His first work was done in the clothing store of Barclay Lippincott, where he received a salary of $1.50 a week, all of which he gave to his mother. His dinner, when he had any, consisted of a piece of pie and a glass of milk, costing two cents. Each year his salary was increased, and at the time he was 20 he had saved $200.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Wren's Gallery will close July 14th. Gallery opens at 9, closes at 4 o'clock sun time. tf

D. M. Patton, with a full force of clerks has been ordered to assumed control of the assigned stock of goods belonging to W. H. Gilkerson, and is selling regardless of cost.

The goods must be sold and business settled in 30 days, hence genuine bargains are offered in Dry-goods, Notions, etc. June 7, 3t

Mr. J. T. Harris has on hand at Waterloo, a large lot of lumber, both rough and dressed, and doors, sash, blinds, moulding, which he will sell at bottom prices. June 7, 3t

Pure leaf lard, pure apple and white wine vinegar at Simmons Bros.

Smoke the Wanderer cigar and the Aromatic cheroot kept by Simmons Brs.

Simmons Bros. have a lot of plow stocks which they propose to close out at one dollar per stock. Call and see them. You can also find at the same place, three cakes nice toilet soap for 5 cents and a three pound bar laundry soap for 15 cts and other soaps in proportion, all at Simmons Bros.

One car fine Virginia bolted meal and one car unbolted meal will be sold very low at Simmons Bros. 4t

One Frick Co., Thresher for sale cheap, apply to
June 7, 2t R. H. HUDGENS.

View work a specialty at Wren's Gallery. tf

Save your grain by buying the "Osborn Reaper" from
May 30, 3 GEO. R. ANDERSON.

Simmons Bros. have also a large lots of flour which was bought cheap, which they propose to sell at low prices. Call and examine their stock. All goods guaranteed to give satisfaction at Simmon

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

A Bridge across Enoree at Mt. Shoals will be let to repair at the lowest bidder on the 27th day of june 1888 at 11 oclock a. m. with the privalege of rejecting any bids specifications presented on day of letting said repairs

W. H. DRUMMOND.
County Commissioner. 3tf

NOTICE!

The annual competitive examination of applicants for Peabody Scholarships in Nashville Normal College will be held in the office of State Superintendant of Education on July 12th. Four Scholarships will be awarded. For full particulars and conditions see County School Commissioner