

Happenings of the Week.

In and Around the City.

THE COMING AND GOING AND MINGLING OF THE PEOPLE.

Mr. J. T. Robertson, of Clinton, is visiting Mr. J. W. Jones' family.

Mr. L. H. Watts, of Abbeville, was in town on Friday.

Miss Nancy Todd, a lady living in the Long Branch section of the county, died last week at an advanced age.

Mr. A. B. Murphy, a farmer living a few miles north-west of the city, died last week at the age of sixty-five.

Mrs. J. J. Shepard, of Darlington, S. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Terry.

Mrs. Dr. Killingsworth and children have returned to Laurens after several months' residence in Baltimore.

Mr. Eugene Hix, of Johnson, S. C., is on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. Martha Wilkes.

Col. J. W. Ferguson, Mr. L. W. Simkins and Mr. P. P. McGowan went to Columbia on Monday to attend the session of the Supreme Court.

THE ADVERTISER regrets to learn of the death of Lee H. Hedges, a little child of Mr. Ambrose Hedges, of Easley, which occurred last week.

Miss Ida Fuller, daughter of Dr. L. S. Fuller, left yesterday for Greensboro, N. C., where she will attend school.

The Governor has pardoned John and Perry Adams, two of the negroes in the penitentiary for the killing of Thornton Nance. This is the case in which nine were convicted.

Mr. A. G. Hart has sold his place on Fry Hill to Mr. O. B. Simmons and will move with his family to Florida on account of his health. Laurens is sorry that they will leave us.

The friends of Mr. W. J. Hedges will regret to hear of his death at his home in Park County, Ark. Mr. Hedges was a member of the Laurens family of the name and was born and reared to manhood in this county.

Mr. D. L. Sitgreaves left to-day for Tennessee and will travel for a grocery house. Mr. E. G. Sitgreaves will have charge of the mercantile business here.

Mr. Sitgreaves is quite popular in Laurens and very general regret is expressed at his leaving.

Our Graded Schools.

Every progressive town and city in these days has a system of graded schools, supported as a rule by a special tax.

The taxpayers of this city contribute six mills on the dollar for our schools, that is to say four mills in addition to the regular two mills State levy for school purposes.

There is the poll tax which every man pays besides. Therefore the man who pays taxes on \$500 worth of property pays about thirty-one dollars for the schools.

This burden falls on everybody who pays taxes and any person who will take the trouble to look around him for a moment will discover at a glance who pays the bulk of the public school expenses.

All this is exactly as it should be and we believe that it is directly to the advantage of the property owners of the town to cheerfully vote this tax in order to encourage a population of thrifty intelligent people to live in Laurens.

Without graded schools a mechanic with four children to keep at school would be at a year's expense of say twenty dollars, in tuition fees.

Heretofore our schools have charged a fee of two dollars a year for each pupil, but it has been impossible to keep the schools open for nine months. At the beginning of the present session one dollar of this fee was collected as usual but the second dollar has not been collected and will not be.

In order, however, to maintain the schools for nine months the board of trustees has deemed it necessary to charge a small monthly tuition fee, twenty-five cents for the lowest grades, fifty for the next three and seventy-five for the four highest.

At this time fees will be charged for only four months of the year. If we understand the arrangement, when it is remembered that one-half of the two dollars is not collected this year, it will be seen that the tuition is practically a very small amount.

Such a system of tuition fees has been found necessary in nearly all the graded schools of the State and in most cases it is higher than in Laurens. It can be found that one cent of the public school monies is expended unwisely, unnecessarily or extravagantly and that the schools can be run cheaper than they are being run, then there will be good reason to complain at the tuition fees.

Though it we have a board of trustees composed of sensible and competent business men who are managing the schools with the greatest economy consistent with efficiency and they recognize the necessity of these monthly charges.

THE ADVERTISER believes that our system of free schools is the most valuable public possession of our town and that it is one of the poorest classes of our citizens as well as the large taxpayers on whom the load really falls will agree with us in this view.

If there is any poor man in this town who wishes to educate his children it is advisable to abolish the graded schools. THE ADVERTISER would like to hear from him.

Clinton Chronicles.

The new year found everybody ready for work. Not having any driftwood there has been no changing of places to note.

Mrs. D. A. J. Sullivan from Charleston, spent last week with Capt. W. J. Leake's family.

Miss Minnie Shanks left last week to visit relatives in Calhoun.

Miss Janie Vance is on an extended visit to relatives in Louisiana.

Mr. W. D. Byrd has his saw mill located near the Dormitory on Mr. Henry Young's place and is turning out a lot of excellent timber.

Mr. O. O. Copeland has quit assisting our postmaster. Mr. John Peake is in his place.

Miss Mattie Calhoun and mother from Gowansville, visited the family of Mr. E. C. Briggs last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Booser were called to their daughter, Mrs. Harris of Waterloo, last Friday, who is quite sick with pneumonia.

Mr. T. H. Little is now wielding the yard stick for J. P. Little & Co.

Mr. J. W. Copeland, of Statesville, is here on business.

'La Grippe' has attacked our town in a mild form.

The Professors and students of the College are all back. We notice several new students. The college will ever be better so long as it remains under the management of the present professors.

Dr. J. H. Downey left last week for New York, where he will attend a course of lectures and then return to his office. He will miss his very much, but cheer up little one, I am as good judge of the hearts action as the Dr.

No other sarsaparilla has equaled Hood's in the relief it gives in severest cases of dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness, etc.

'Magister' enjoyed as a Christmas present a fair specimen of 'grippe.'

We have a great deal of business in town at present—some cases very serious. Mrs. Dr. Harris and Mr. T. E. Harris are very sick with pneumonia.

Dr. and Mrs. Booser, of Clinton, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Dr. Harris during her sickness.

Our school opened Monday, January 1st, with a full attendance.

Two negroes shot two other negroes in our community during the Christmas holidays. One dead and the other in a critical condition.

Col. B. D. Cunningham is located here for the present engaged in the practice of law.

Mr. John Cunningham, of California is here visiting relatives. It has been many years since he visited the home of his boyhood.

The little school girls and boys enjoyed a pleasant social at the residence of Mr. B. A. Anderson last Friday evening. Miss Allie invited her schoolmates to a good supper, and all present had a good time.

The Sinking Plank in Anderson's Hall is in full blast.

The young ladies and gentlemen seem to enjoy the pleasant sport and exercise, as well as some older persons.

We notice a correspondent in the Greenville News writing from Fort Shoals declares that the Dispensary is the greatest blessing that the Tillman party has given the country. Now, this may be very true, and if true, we pray good Lord deliver us from all such blessings.

MAGISTER.

Popular Everywhere.

Beginning with a small local sale in a retail drug store, the business of Hood's Sarsaparilla has steadily increased until there is scarcely a village or hamlet in the United States where it is unknown.

To-day Hood's Sarsaparilla stands at the head in the medicine world, admitted in prosperity and envied in competition. It has a larger sale than any other medicine before the American public, and probably greater than all other sarsaparilla and blood purifiers combined.

Such success proves merit. If you are sick, it is not the medicine for you to try; Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures.

By using Hall's Hair Renewer, gray, faded or discolored hair assumes the natural color of youth, and grows luxuriant and strong, pleasing everybody.

Burnsville Notes.

As 'Bum' has been using the paint brush for the last few days, he hasn't any news of importance for this issue: but, by the way we are here again.

An Ordinance

RAISE SUPPLIES FOR THE YEAR 1894.

BE it ordained by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Laurens, in Council assembled and by the authority of the same, that a tax to cover the expenses of said city from the first day of January, 1894, to the first day of January, 1895, be levied and collected in manner and form following:

Section 1. There shall be paid on each one hundred dollars of the assessed value of all real estate and personal property of the city of Laurens, except such as is exempted by law, a tax of five cents, to be levied and collected in manner and form following:

Section 2. Each and every male person, between the ages of 16 and 50, except ordained ministers, professors, teachers, and students, actually employed, and those who are exempted by law, shall pay on or before the 15th day of February, 1894, the sum of Three Dollars for road or street exemption; and any person liable to this tax who shall fail to pay the same within the time specified shall be required to work on the streets of the city for a number of days under the direction of the street overseer; and any person failing either to pay said commutation tax or perform said labor shall be brought before the Mayor's court, and prosecuted in the same manner as under the State laws for failing to work on the road, as provided by Statutes in such cases.

Section 3. Upon each and every dog one dollar to be paid by the person or persons keeping the same. Any one keeping a dog or dogs without paying the license thereon shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days—at the discretion of the Mayor.

SPECIAL TAXES.

Section 4. No person, firm or corporation shall be engaged in, prosecute or carry on any business or profession, hereinafter mentioned, without having first paid a special license tax therefor, as follows to wit:

- Liquor license per annum, \$20.00
Daily, 1.00
Boarding house, per annum, 5.00
Butcher and meat shop per annum, 5.00
On beef or hog retail, 75
On calf, mutton, sloat or kid, retail, 35
Blacksmith shop, one forge, 2.00
Blacksmith shop, more than one, 1.50
Brick yard, 10.00
Boot and shoe shop, 1.50
Barber's chair, 5.00
Barber's chair, each additional, 1.00
Building and Loan Association, 5.00
Broker, merchandise, 10.00
For one billiard table, pool table, billiard table, 15.00
Book additional, 10.00
Brewery, 10.00
Cotton gin, 1.00
Coal and kerosene oil company, 5.00
Cotton buyer, 1.00
Cotton weaver, 1.00
Deli-cates and other refreshment shop, 5.00
Dealers in builders' supplies, 5.00
Dealers or agents in fertilizers, 5.00
Denial, 5.00
Express Co. for business done within the State, and not including that done without the State, 10.00
For exhibitions, performances, or shows of any kind, license to be fixed at the discretion of Mayor, 5.00
Hotel, 10.00
Harness shop connected with store or separate, 3.00
Household furniture, per day, 1.00
Jewelry or watch and clock repairer, 5.00
Ice dealer, 2.50
Ice cream saloon, 2.00
Fire, Life or Accident Ins. Co., 5.00
The Sinking Plank in Anderson's Hall is in full blast.

List of Letters

- Remaining in the Post Office at Laurens, S. C., unclaimed, for the week ending January 1, 1894:
R.—Bird, Mrs. W.; Burns, Miss Kittie; Berry, Chas. W.
T.—Fuller, J. R.; G.—Glean, Henry; H.—Howard, Miss Ester; Hamill, J. H.; Hall, Henry; J.—Johnson, J. A.
M.—Martin, T. M.; Miles, J. L.; McAlister, T. J.
R.—Rumley, Mrs. R. P.; Richards; Mrs. Easter; Richetts, J. R.; Richards, P. B.
S.—Shed, J. N.
T.—Thomas, Charles; Thompson, Goldsmith; Torrence, J. N.; Tenant, Henry.
W.—Whitlock, J. P.; Weety, Mannel; Warner, C. A.; Wilbert, Olevia.
Y.—Young, R. S.

Persons calling for any of above letters will please say, "They are advertised."

FOR DYSPEPSIA, Indigestion, and Stomach Disorders, take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.

Send for free literature. Generous trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn to before and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system.

Send for literature. Generous trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

Notice.

To my friends and customers: Having been greatly injured in our community by the destructive fire of the 10th day of February, 1894, I would like all who are indebted to me or otherwise to come forward and settle or I shall be compelled to hand all accounts without action in the hands of an attorney. I hope that my friends will show their friendship by prompt payment of their accounts.

JOHN M. CLARDY, J. P. L. C.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF LAURENS, Probate Court.

Whereas, John C. and Robert C. Davis, have applied to me for Letters of Administration, de bonis non, on the estate of Miss Callie Davis, deceased.

These are referred to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said deceased, to be and appear before me at a Court of Probate to be held by me in the above cited case in my office on the 6th day of February, 1894, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

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For Sale.

Valuable property in the city of Laurens. The old Presbyterian church and containing about three acres. The building is of brick, and in the best condition and can be converted to a splendid residence lot. A very desirable building lot next to the new Baptist church, with a front on Main street and on College street. Both these lots are very convenient to business portion of town and to the churches and the graded school.

For Sale by THE LAURENS CASH COMPANY.

Advertisement for W. L. Douglas shoes, featuring an illustration of a man and a shoe, with text: 'W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE FOR GENTLEMEN. \$5, \$4 and \$3.50 Dress Shoe. \$3.50 Police Shoe, 3 Soles. \$2.50, \$2 for Workingmen. \$2 and \$1.75 for Boys. LADIES AND MISSES, \$3, \$2.50 \$2, \$1.75'

Advertisement for property in Laurens, featuring text: 'Valuable property in the city of Laurens. The old Presbyterian church and containing about three acres. The building is of brick, and in the best condition and can be converted to a splendid residence lot.'

Large advertisement for 'GREAT REDUCTION. Great Reduction. (AT THE) LAURENS CASH COMPANY. Greatly Reduced Prices. Now is your chance to buy your entire Winter Goods Cheap. We are going to make some changes in our Stock January, 1894. In order to make the desired change we must close out our entire Stock of W. Dress Goods, Millinery, Shoes and Jeans.

Advertisement for 'The Coming and Going and Mingling of the People'.

Advertisement for 'Happenings of the Week'.

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Advertisement for 'For DYSPEPSIA'.

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