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 W. W. BALL, Proprietor.  
 LAURENS, S. C., NOV. 7, 1900.

**The Columbia Fair.**

Our fast developing sister city deserved to be complimented and congratulated upon its grand "Carnival" of last week. So also the guests and visitors from the centre to the circumference of the little State. But in the midst of splendid triumph and brilliant success, it is wise to pause, reflect and take note of calmness and moderation. They had in Rome in ye ancient days: "DIXA LEX, DE SUPERTIBUS, to restrain the expenses that attended these festive meetings, and to limit the number of guests which generally attended them, not only in Rome, but in all the provinces of Italy. By it, not only those who received guests in these festive meetings, but the guests themselves were liable to be fined. Sometimes a cautionary word is well and the danger is enhanced. Says the Spartanburg Herald of Nov. 2nd: "Mr. J. J. Burnett, master of the event, returned from Columbia yesterday. Mr. Burnett says that Columbia is full of visitors, but the interest in the occasion and the visitors does not to any extent compare with the Spartanburg street carnival. There are scarcely any decorations on the stores and business houses. There was scarcely any arrangement for amusement of strangers, according to Mr. Burnett's impressions. This is far different to the treatment visitors to the Spartanburg street carnival received.

**The Big Columbia Fair.**

Laurens took a commendable interest in the great State Fair. Among the many Laurens people in attendance we note the following: Dr. B. F. Posey, Col. J. H. Traylor, Mr. W. P. Harris, Hon. O. P. Goodwin, Mr. W. P. Brown, Hon. R. W. Nichols, Mr. Daniel Varborough, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hudson, Messrs. B. C. Frisip, Lane, Monte, W. E. Ritzey, J. E. R. Todd, Eugene Hudgens, David Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Munroe, George Ferguson, Miss Mattie Nichols.

A Laurens man reports that the car on which he rode returning home on Thursday night was cleverly jolly and convivial. He attributed the conditions to blind tigers to Columbia and not to the chemically pure. But still he says the trend is overwhelmingly towards the white ribbon platform, as far as he observed while on this holiday outing.

There was a grand ball on Thursday night, where the rich and beauty met to chase the glowing hours with flying feet. The attendance was large, according to the printed lists, about one hundred of the belles from all parts of the State, elegantly attired and one hundred and fifty brave lads in white kids, French calf skin, white chokers and razor tail coats. But the ads were not all of our day. We observed the names of many who reminded us of Webster's speech at Bunker Hill in 1824 when the old continentals were arranged before him. "Venerable men, you have come down to us from a former generation. Heaven has bountifully and mercifully your days to behold this joyous hour." It should be remembered that the great Greeks, old and young, attended the Olympic games every four years and contended for the laurel and the bay. Laurens, we observe, was not represented in this gay and happy throng.

Charleston was gloriously represented by her best men—having her best foot foremost. Her militia, horse, foot and dragons carried off the honors and her heroes were crowned accordingly. A fine impression was made and from the mountains to the sea all hands are pledged to make the Exposition of 1901-02 a triumphant winner. There is to be no upper, no lower county any more in the hereafter in this State.

Blue Ribbons for Laurens: W. E. Chapman, of Babtown, first on 3 years and 2 years old Percherons; J. H. Wharton, first on 1 year old Percheron. The horse department is said to have been very excellent.

In the cattle department Col. J. H. Wharton on his beautiful Jersey, J. D. W. Watts, 1 first and 2 second. Col. Wharton had a fine young bull severely zoned by a tiger animal that broke his halter and went around hunting up a fight. Mr. McCuen, of Princeton, had a fine show of horses, capturing the blue.

Col. J. Wash Watts, J. D. W. Watts, B. A. Wharton, of Mountville, won trophies on sheep, goats, pigs and high-bred poultry of many favorite strains.

"The Strenuous Life."  
 The popular phrase was well invented to fit conditions at the close of the century. Consider if you please, Santiago, Manila, South Africa and the wild riot in China, Bryan and Teddy, Colonels in the Spanish-American incident, campaigning in New York, are fairly exemplars of the happy phrase. Fortunately there is usually somebody to hit the nail on the head with a phrase for the occasion.

The census of 1900 gives South Carolina 1,340,312, as against 1,151,149 in 1890, a gain of 189,163. This is a gain of about 16 per cent, while other States have gained 25 per cent. 170,000 entries are present to a member of Congress, but if the House of Representatives is to remain numerically the same, this State will do well to hold her present state. Texas makes a clean gain of \$13,305. She will probably gain two members and possibly three as the House remaining the same numerically about 200,000 will give a member.

Subscribers are invited to send to THE ADVERTISER their names as to the population of the county. Subscribers in the city as to the city population. The usual estimate for the city is 4,500. As we remember in 1890 the county was about 38,000 and it should now be 43,000 to 45,000. The count will be reported soon. If we hold our own we will get another member of the House of Representatives. Until 1898 we had four.

**Seventh Judicial Circuit.**  
 The Legislature which convenes in January will elect a Judge of the 7th Circuit to serve for the ensuing four years. Several candidates are discussed in connection with the session, Judge Townsend being the incumbent, and among them the Hon. John W. Ferguson, of this city. Without disparagement of the merit of any aspirant, we cannot forego the opportunity of speaking as to the eminent qualifications of Col. Ferguson. For twenty years he has been in as full general practice as any lawyer in the State, and has been constantly before our higher Judicial Tribunal in a fitting important, principles. A fine lawyer, he is in the very prime of life, and full of energy and the General Assembly will do the State eminent service in placing Col. Ferguson on the circuit bench.

Everything at The Fair at first cost. Good heavy Jeans at The Fair. Only 10 cents a yard.  
 Everything at manufacturers cost at The Fair.

Big values, small prices, ought to be enough, but we have more inducements than that. Fresh goods, stylish goods. Big assortment to select from. Davis, Roper & Co.

A Card from a Teacher.  
 Last winter when "Dashing Derby" made the charge, that "nine-tenths of the teachers of Laurens County didn't care a cent whether their pupils learned anything at all or not," we were very indignant, and justly so; for the charge was extravagant beyond all reason. The very extravagance of the charge killed the force of other assertions that he made which he said, was, that many parents had complained that their children were not learning. The fault was, chiefly, most likely with the children and their parents. As I am writing this article for the benefit of the trustees and teachers, I will endeavor to show wherein there was, at least, some ground for complaint against them; and just here I would state, that "Trustee," in his article, condemned himself in condemning the teachers. Trustees are appointed to secure competent teachers, and to see that they do their duty; so a teacher cannot utterly fail, without bringing some condemnation on the trustees. The trustees should be careful to select for teachers those who take a deep interest in educational affairs. Those teachers who take no interest in school work, except during school hours, give just ground for suspecting that they are teaching only for the money, and no one should be more cognizant of this fact than the trustees themselves.

There is a Teachers' Association in Laurens County, and very few of the teachers attend. There is no admission nor incidental fee, and all trustees and teachers are urged to become members. The trustees can greatly assist in the work of the Association, by calling the attention of their teachers to the time of meeting, and aiding them in making arrangements to attend. Many lady teachers board away from home and cannot attend, unless some way is provided for them to come. Generally, some of the patrons or trustees can make this provision with little or no inconvenience to themselves. I believe that there is not a community in the county but that would be proud to know that their teacher is a regular attendant at the teachers' meetings and takes a prominent part in the proceedings. People like a live, progressive teacher. Another way in which teachers can greatly assist in these meetings is by having it understood that, in employing teachers, they will seek to secure the services of those who are wide awake and have a mind to work. If you, one trustee from every school district would be present at each meeting, what a help it would be to them and their schools in getting the right kind of teachers, and what an awakening there would soon be among the teachers! Trustees, I make an earnest appeal to you to be present at our next meeting, and if possible, induce your teachers to come. The next meeting will be the 10th of November.

Now, my fellow-teachers, I turn to you. Do you realize what a responsibility you assumed in becoming a teacher? Do you comprehend the dignity of your profession? This is the most progressive age the world has yet seen. Doctors, lawyers, preachers, are studying as never before. Farmers, mechanics and men of every class are beginning to study. New inventions, new ideas, new thoughts, are constantly brought forth. Some of the new ideas are positively injurious, while some are the noblest conceptions of man. Are the common schools to keep abreast of the times? If the teacher is alive and up to date, the best thought of men will be inculcated. We have taken upon ourselves to train boys and girls for right living. How many boys and girls are made better by your training and influence? How many are made worse? How many might have been made nobler still, if you had properly prepared yourself in every way for the work entrusted to your charge?

Let us, then, awake to a sense of our duty. Let us realize the almost overpowering responsibility that rests upon us. Let it not be said of the teachers of Laurens County, that they are satisfied with anything but the very best results. Let us show to the trustees and patrons of our schools that we are willing to make sacrifices to better prepare ourselves for the work we are doing. I make this earnest appeal in behalf of the children whose whole lives will be influenced by our teaching. May we not expect at least one hundred trustees and teachers at our next meeting.

**THE MAN WITH A COLD**

Is a nuisance to others as well as a sufferer himself. He is inexcusable when he can and so many excellent remedies at Palmetto Drug Co. if he has asthma, it's doubtful if he can obtain a perfect cure. But it's rather late for asthma, and there is relief for that annoying ailment. Stop at Palmetto Drug Co. and get something to help you out. Our White Pine Compound with Ammonia will do it.

Henry Timrod.  
 When thy pure spirit passed  
 Unto "the white courts beyond the stars,"  
 The angels knew that earth, at last,  
 Had given back to God a soul.  
 Who passing through life's fiery furnace,  
 Came forth at last triumphant, with  
 No stain  
 Of earthly dross upon it  
 And back into the presence of its Maker  
 Went  
 As pure a thing as when it came.  
 —SIC SAUAG FARRROW.  
 Copied from The Keystone.

**Teachers' Association.**

The Laurens County Teachers' Association will meet in the Court House; Nov. 10th at 11 o'clock. The following is the program:  
 Benefits of Teachers' Meetings—G. B. Brooks, 11 to 11.15.  
 Notation and Numeration—Miss Agatha Davis, 11.15 to 11.30.  
 Addition and Subtraction—Miss Mertie Culbertson, 11.30 to 11.45.  
 G. C. M. and L. C. M.—Mr. A. B. Riley, 11.45 to 12.10.  
 Short cuts in arithmetic—B. Y. Culbertson, 12.10 to 12.35.  
 Miscellaneous, 12.35 to 1.  
 Trustees and teachers are earnestly requested to be present on time.  
 J. B. Watkins,  
 W. P. Culbertson,  
 Mamie Clardy,  
 Executive Com.

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 First, second or third stages, positively cured by taking B. B. B. (Bottanic Blood Balm.) Blood Balm kills or destroys the Syphilitic Poison in the Blood and expels it from the system, making a perfect cure. Have you sore throat, pimples, copper colored spots, old festering eating sores, ulcers, swellings, scrofula, itching skin, aches and pains in bones or joints, sore mouth or falling hair? Then Bottanic Blood Balm will heal every sore, stop the aches and make the blood pure and rich and give the rich glow of health to the skin. Over 3,000 testimonials of cures. B. B. B. thoroughly tested 30 years. Drug stores \$1.00. Trial treatment of B. B. B. free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice given. Don't despair of a cure as B. B. B. cures when all else fails.

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 With local applications as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. It is prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarh. Send for testimonials free.  
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 J. Wister Golding and others against  
 W. C. Golding, Defendant.  
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**NOTICE**  
 —OF—  
**County Treasurer.**  
 The County Treasurer's Books will be open for the collection of State, County and Commutation Road Taxes for fiscal year 1900 at the Treasurer's office from October 15th to December 31st, 1900.  
 All persons owing property or paying taxes for others in more than one Township are requested to call for receipts in each Township in which they live. This is important as additional cost and penalty may not be attached. Prompt attention will be given those who wish to pay their taxes through the mail by checks, money orders, etc. Don't forget to stamp checks. Persons sending in lists of names to be taken off are urged to send in early as the Treasurer is very busy during the month of December.  
 Tax Levy is as follows:  
 For State purposes, - - - 5 mills  
 For Constitutional School Tax, - - - 3 mills  
 For Ordinary County Tax, - - - 24 mills  
 For Interest on Railroad Bonds, - - - 33 mills  
 For past indebtedness, - - - 4 mill  
 Total County and State, - - - 14 mills  
 Extra Tax for Laurens City, - - - 34 mills  
 Extra Tax Fountain Inn, - - - 4 mills  
 Special School, - - - 4 mills  
 Extra Waterloo Special School, - - - 2 mills  
 Cross Hill Special School, - - - 3 mills  
 For Sullivan Township 1 mill extra for Attorneys fee on Railroad, making a total for this Township 15 mills.  
 All able-bodied male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years are liable to pay a poll tax of \$1.00, except old soldiers who are exempt at 50 years of age. Commutation Road Tax \$1.50 in lieu of working the public roads to be paid at the time as stated above. Come early and avoid the rush. It is said there will be no extension this time.  
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