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LAURENS, S. C., NOV. 28, 1900.

Stand and Deliver.

Robin Hood and his descendants in England were romantic Knights of the road and made it interesting for lonely wayfaring people traveling the highways. They rarely attacked other than gentlemen and ladies in their four-in-hand coaches, and their earnings were charitably divided among the poor and distressed. The adventures of these romantic knights are the Christmas reading for our lads and lasses to their admiration, inspiration and edification. Frank M. Brown book-keeper of a Kentucky bank, has skipped with $200 000, the entire assets of the institution.—Alvord, of New York, stole seven hundred thousand from the First National Bank of New York, and is now in arrest and will soon be wearing stripes in some fashionable House of Detention for such elegant gentlemen. But if Robin Hood and his bold moon-light riders of the centuries back can learn of the beautiful hauls of their modern descendants, how they must envy their glorious opportunities, while they blush that their earnings are gotten without the gallantry and heroism anciently attending their vocation. There is even a flavor of romance and heroism in halting a train Jesse James fashion and fighting for a hundred miles through a wilderness to hold the booty. But to loot a concern by the tame process of book-keeping should shame the hero of a vulgar midnight burglary.

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Reducing the South's Representation.

It is now thought that it will not be done. The Republican leaders think they would gain nothing by the course President McKinley is also reported opposed to the policy as it would interfere with his hope of a white Southern republican party. It is conceded very generally that the South would prefer losing representation to restoring universal ignorant negro suffrage. A member of Congress desiring re-election met an old farmer who told him of his surprise that he should want to go back as his party was usually beaten and accomplished no good for the South. The politician suggested that allowance should be made for the big Yankee majority, the voter replying that an old farmer went into his cotton field with a shot gun on his shoulder and a rabbit getting up the farmer fired, allowing four rows for the rabbit's jump, and missed the rabbit. And so it seems that Southern Congressmen bag little game except for a particular home measure when toadying to Northern sentiment and Northern interests.

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The population by counties under the recent census is published Charleston leads with 88,006, Spartanburg 65,650, Orangeburg 59,653, Anderson, 55,728. Dorchester stands last of the forty counties with 16,294. Laurens is tenth with 37,382. The Piedmont counties gain over the counties South and East of the middle line. Our constitution provides for a reapportionment of representation in the House of Representatives under a census to be taken in 1901 with a provision, however, that the Federal census may be made the basis. We are satisfied that Laurens will get an additional member. We therefore urge that our Senator and members move early in the approaching session for a reapportionment under the late Federal census. Of course there will be opposition by counties likely to lose. It will cost the State $40,000 to take the census.

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There is a hitch in the settlement of Chinese problems and the Commissioners are asking at home for instructions. It is generally understood that the Western soldiers have stolen all that is valuable and some of the Commissioners want to divide up the empire. Thou shalt certainly steal and thou shalt certainly kill is the new reading they want for the commandments. The new reading is in harmony with the "commercialism" of the times.

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The State Constables are very active lately over the State and trying to earn their salt. The State Dispensary is spreading itself to double its sales and the salt trust has doubled the price of this important domestic article. Our State Institution will need to hustle.

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Augusta elected a new Mayor last week and they say the luxury cost $50,000. Now, just think of it, fellow citizens, if we had to dance to that sort of a tune!

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Remember that it is birds that you want to bag to-morrow and not your friend.

Miss Willie D. Wardlaw and Mr. James D. Beeks are Wedded.

Special to The State:

Abbeville, Nov. 22.—The marriage of Miss Willie D. Wardlaw, of this city, and Mr. James D. Beeks, of Laurens, was solemnized to-day at noon at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. A. W. Jones. A lovely arch was formed by sliding doors which threw the library and parlor into one reception room, exquisitely decorated. Graceful ivy vines were entwined around windows and doorways. The mantels were a solid bank of roses and ferns. Vases of chrysanthemums and jars of palms and and ferns filled every nook and corner.

The bridal party entered from the rear hall. Mr. Clardy, of Laurens, the best man, preceeded the flower girl, Miss Helen Miller, who entered alone, carrying a cluster of carnations, and stood on one side of the arch made of palms and ivy vines The bride and groom entered, while the wedding march was being played by Miss Lorena Beacham During the ceremony the "Flower Song" was softly played.

The bride was very lovely. The gown was pastelle blue broadcloth, handsomely trimmed, with white panne velvet and white applique.

The ceremony which united the couple was performed by the Rev. T. H. Plemmons, of the Baptist church.

Immediately after receiving the congratulations and many good wishes of friends Mr. and Mrs. Beeks left on the Seaboard for the home of the groom, where an elegant reception will be held.

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HONOR ROLL

Of Laurens Graded School for 2nd month ending, Nov. 9th, 1900:

First Grade: Emeline Boyd, Edmonia Garrett, Alberta Riddle, Henry Taylor, Charles Fleming, Walter O'Dell, Henry Silverman.

Second Grade: Mamie Boyd, Jennie Fleming, Shirley Hix, Kathleen Sullivan, Hilary Barksdale, Frank Caine, Frank Martin, Clarke Minter, Russell Minter, Robert Simkins, Willie Nelson.

Third Grade: Pearle Clardy, Elizabeth Simpson, Fred Campbell, Henry Irby.

Fourth Grade: Sarah Babb, Toccoa Caine, Helen Crisp, Hattie K. Easterby, Roy Gray, Richard Simpson, Ben Sullivan, Marion Wilkes.

Fifth Grade: Wissie Lee Dial, Annie Diamond, Daisy Eichelberger, Lillian Peterson, Julia Riddle, Dollie Roland, Ethel Simmons, Hannah Talbert, Mamie Talbert, Leita Woodward, Nellie Wallace, Oxner Campbell, Samuel Fleming.

Sixth Grade: Lillie Armstong, Clare Barnett, Josephine Fuller, Lillie Miller, Maggie McCarley, Mittie Owings, Lizzie Richey, Daisy Sullivan, Mary Todd, Robert Eichelberger, Stobo Young.

Seventh Grade: Ollie Adams, Loree Boyd, Blanche Elliott, Nellie Miller, Josie Sullivan, Rosa Wright, Pierce Irby, Grover Peterson.

Eighth Grade: Eva Fike, Lint Jones, Ina Little, Bessie Shell, Annie Sitgreaves, Charley Kern, Belton Thomason.

Ninth Grade: Tallulah Caine, Emma Ferguson, Julia Ferguson, Jessie Hix, May Little, Rhett Babb, Carl Barksdale, Mac Irby, Bee Peterson.

Tenth Grade: Pope Irby.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. C. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help, but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by the Laurens Drug Co. Guaranteed.

Now is the time to get your suit for the Christmas holidays. We have them in all styles.

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BREWERTON ITEMS.

The cotton crop in our section is about all picked and sold and the order of the day is sowing wheat and oats.

There have been a great many oats sown and they are doing finely. If the weather is such that will admit there will be plenty of wheat sown, and the preparation of the land has been much better than common. I think the farmers in this section are going to profit by past experience. I think they have concluded long ago that the shortest road to bread is to sow plenty of wheat, no matter what the price of cotton may be. We were not at the wheat farmers' association meeting, Saturday, 17th inst., on account of pressing business, but we are in full sympathy with the movement and will join the association later on for we are very fond of good home grown biscuits.

Colds are very prevalent and that of the worst type, almost bordering on La Grippe.

Mr. John W. Beeks, wife and son, Charley and little Lizzie went to Cross Hill, Wednesday, the 21st inst., to meet their son, Jas. D. Beeks, who was to get married on the 22nd inst., to Miss Willie Wardlaw at Abbeville city and return on the 2 o'clock vestibule.

Mrs. Minnie Stansell and children of Williamston, were down visiting her kin in and around Brewerton last week.

Will Seibert, of the Tip Top section, was visiting in Brewerton, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr Greenberry Murff, of Donalds, was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Murff, of Brewerton, last week.

Little Miss Armittie Washington, of Laurens, is visiting her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs W. S. Knight, of Brewerton

Mr. J. Frank Redden, of Mt. Olive section, has moved to Mr. John B. Pitts' place, near Poplar Spring church. There will be considerable moving and changing about this fall.

Mr. John Beeks made 300 bushels of sweet potatoes. So, Mr. Editor, if you are fond of possum and tater come over between Reedy and Saluda, on the Back Bone Ridge, where both abound in profusion.

Brewerton High School is still on a boom. She has three boarding pupils and others to come, under the efficient management of Prof. W. H. Hamilton, of Greenwood.

The wedding bells can almost be heard in the distance. Perhaps in our next we can tell more about it.

The outside of the last ADVERTISER has some excellent reading matter for the farmers and others.

ON DIT.

The finest of overcoats from $5.00 to $15.00 just received. It will pay you to see them before buying as there are rare bargains.

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60 dozen heavy cotton undershirts to go at only 25 cents. See them.

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A Life and Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost $5.00. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Laurens Drug Co.

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A regular communication of Palmetto Lodge, No. 19, A. F. M., will be held at Masonic Hall, November 30th. Election of officers for the ensuing Masonic year will be held.

H. W. Anderson, Secretary.

Miss Sallie Lee Henderson, of Laurens, who has charge of a school at Travelers Rest, passed through the city yesterday on her way to Abbeville to attend the wedding of Mr. J. D. Beeks, of Cross Hill, to Miss Willie Wardlaw, of Abbeville.—Greenville News, 21st inst.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

With local applications as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was 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 Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF LAURENS.

In the Court of Common Pleas.

J. Wister Golding and others against W. C. Golding, Defendant.

Pursuant to the decree of the Court in the above stated case, I will sell at Laurens Court House, on Salesday in December next at public outcry to the highest bidder, the following tract of land, to-wit: All that tract situate in the county of Laurens, in said State, on the waters of Reedy River, containing One Hundred and Thirty-Six Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of William C. Golding, James A. Anderson, Austin Anderson, Witte Bros and others.

Terms —One-half the purchase money cash, the remainder on a credit of twelve months with interest from date of sale secured by bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises. Purchaser to pay for papers and stamps. Purchaser may pay his entire bid in cash.

JOHN F. BOLT,
Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Laurens county.
Nov. 6th, 1900—4t

State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF LAURENS,

In Court of Common Pleas.

Piedmont Savings and Investment Company, Plaintiff, against J. H. Garrison, Defendant.

Pursuant to the decree of the Court in the above stated action, I will sell at public out-cry at Laurens Court House, South Carolina, within the legal hours of sale, on Salesday in December, A. D., 1900, all that lot or parcel of land, situate in the city of Laurens, in said county and State, containing Five Acres, more or less, and bounded on the North by Farley Avenue, on the East by lands of Rosa I. Caine, on the South by lands of H. E. Gray, and on the West by lands of W. L. Gray and a public street, being the land purchased by the defendant of A. V. Eichelberger.

Terms of Sale—One-half cash, the balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest on credit portion from day of sale, with leave to the purchaser to pay the entire bid in cash; credit portion to be secured by bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises sold and by the insurance of the house. If the purchaser fails to comply with the terms of sale the premises to be re-sold at his risk on the same or some subsequent Salesday upon the same terms. Purchaser to pay for papers and stamps.

JOHN F. BOLT,
Clerk of Court Common Pleas for Laurens county.
Nov. 6th, 1900—4t.

State of South Carolina,

LAURENS COUNTY,

In Court of Common Pleas.

W. W. Simpson as Administrator of the estate of J. P. Simpson, deceased, against H. M. Sparks, Defendant.

Pursuant to the decree of this Court in the above stated action, I will sell at Laurens, C. H., S. C., within the legal hours of sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, on salesday in December 1900, being the 3rd day of the month, the following real estate: All that tract or parcel of land, lying, being, and situate in the city of Laurens containing One and Three-eights acres, more or less, with dwelling house, bounded as follows: on the East by Walter Gray and S. S. Boyd, on the West by the late Dr. J. P. Simpson, on the South by Main street, and on the North by a branch, being a lot purchased by Defendant from N. J. Holmes.

Terms of sale—One-half of the purchase money to be paid in cash, remainder on a credit of twelve months with interest from the day of sale secured by bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises with leave to pay the entire bid in cash, the purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and if the purchaser fail to comply with the terms of sale the property shall be resold on the same or some subsequent salesday at the risk of said purchaser.

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Nov. 6, 1900 C. C. C. P.

Our underwear keeps out cold winter blasts and it makes a very small hole in your pocket-book. May save you a doctor's bill. Better buy.

Davis, Roper & Co.

Don't fail to go to O. B. Simmons and get one of the $1.25 ladies street hats at 75 cents.

"HERE IS YOUR HORSE."

There was taken up at my place, Thursday, the 15th day of November, one Iron Grey mare, with flaxen mane and tail, which the owner can get by proving property and paying for her feed and this advertisement.

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Nov. 19th—4t.

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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,	2¼ mills
For Interest on Railroad Bonds, - - -	3½ mills
For past indebtedness, - -	¼ mill
Total County and State, -	14 mills
Extra Tax for Laurens City Graded School, -	3¼ mills
Extra Tax Fountain Inn 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

MESSER BABB,
County Treasurer.
Laurens, S. C., Sept. 27, 1900—tf.

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25 dozen ladies heavy white ribbed fleeced Undervests at 50 cents a pair.

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See these goods whether you buy here or elsewhere. One Price to ALL at——

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Regardless of COST.

We have a well selected stock of

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Respectfully,

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THE PLACE—TODD BUILDING—formerly Todd & Huff's stand.

You are not Making Money

simply to have the money itself. You work for it because you want what it will buy. When you buy here you may depend upon utilizing the full power of a Dollar. A dollar goes a long ways at our store. We have a Mammoth Stock of

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for all the people in all grades. The Bion Shoes at $3.50 is the best shoes for gentlemen. We have a full line of Gents Furnishing Goods, Ladies Capes and Staples Dry Goods at Lowest Prices.

Respectfully,

J. E. Minter & Bro.

Laurens, S. C., Oct. 2, 1900.

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