

ON OCTOBER 16TH.  
Laurens Lyceum Course  
will Open on That Date.  
Lectures and Entertainment for the  
Season—Some Splendid Book-  
ings for the Season.

Laurens people will again have a series of excellent entertainments and lectures this winter under the auspices of the Laurens Lyceum association. A sufficient number of gentlemen have pledged themselves to support the course to make it a certainty and the bookings have been made but it is urged that others subscribe. It should be borne in mind that this is not a money-making scheme, that the object is to elevate and educate and at the same time entertain the people and every person who possibly can should aid it. The object of a subscription is very little—and good citizens who have the welfare of the town at heart ought not to grudge that assistance. October 16th, Benjamin Andrews, former president of Brown University and one of the most celebrated men on the lecture platform will open the season. Prof. Andrews is a learned and eloquent man and, moreover, among Northern men, few of greater station in life have been so fair and generous in handling Southern questions. His subject will be Robert E. Lee and it ought to attract a great audience from the city and all over the county as well. It will do the heart of every true friend of the South good to hear the best of a brilliant and earnest Northern speaker. December 5, E. L. Barker, the monologist will be here, to be followed on the 27th, by L. F. Copeland, the great humorist. On January 27th, the Dumb-bell Handbell Ringers will be the attraction. The last feature and one of the best of the program will be the Chicago Glee Club on the 6th of May. The advent of these hopes, meanwhile, that every one who can will see Rev. W. B. Duncan and become a subscriber. The cause is especially worthy and the subscriber will receive far more than his money's worth.

**Satisfaction.**  
"Clifton" flour always satisfies because it is always kept right up to the standard—the highest standard of purity and excellence.  
"Clifton" possesses every quality essential for making bread that is white, light and sweet. The rich flavor so seldom found in the bread so seldom made from ordinary flours—that delicious pure-wheat flavor is always found in the bread made from "Clifton" which is no ordinary flour, as most people know.  
"Clifton" flour is milled from the pick of the finest grown milled scientific with the most complete machinery in every detail of its manufacture.  
"Clifton" flour is easily a leader and is standing the test of thousands of families. If you do not know "Clifton" have your grocer send you a sack. The satisfaction experienced by our many customers is assured.

Bransford Mills,  
Owensboro, Ky.  
The McCord Merchandise Co. will have the prettiest all-round stock of Dry Goods Notions and Millinery shown in Laurens for many years.  
Our buyer has returned from market and has purchased the largest and most up-to-date line of house-furnishing goods ever brought here. We will appreciate a visit from you this fall. At our store you are always welcomed.

S. M. & E. H. Wilkes.  
A big line of trunks and dress suit cases.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.  
You can afford to use matches at the prices that we have them. Three (3) boxes Search Light Matches five (500) hundred matches to the box only 10 cents.  
S. M. & E. H. Wilkes.  
Evans and Lattimer wanted your votes. We want your trade. We are confident that we offer better inducement for your trade than they did for your vote. See us and be convinced that this is the place to spend your hard earned dollars.  
Davis, Roper & Co.  
FOR RENT—Two nice large double offices. See Dr. Dial.

Mothers, our line of children's and boys' clothing is complete with all the new fall styles. Call and see them.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.  
Your best friend is the merchant that can give you best values at lowest prices. We know we have the line and ask you to investigate and see for yourself.  
Davis, Roper & Co.  
Most people have trouble with their Cooking Stove. Why? That question we can very easily answer, that they are not using the kind that are made right, and we would suggest that you come in and let us show you our line of Buck's Stoves—the kind that are guaranteed to cook to please you.  
S. M. & E. H. Wilkes.  
The well-dressed man can find what he wants here. A big stock of clothing to select from.  
J. E. Minter & Co.  
Sheets and Pillow Cases, Towels, Table Damask and Quilts in great abundance. Prices low.  
Davis, Roper & Co.  
Shoes for everybody. Good solid leather for winter. Prices right.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.  
Beautiful dress goods, exquisite designs. All grades, all prices.  
Davis, Roper & Co.  
Young men you ought to know where to come for your new fall suit. We think you do. We have them in great variety of grades. Prices all worth the money. We want your trade and can serve you equal to any and most times better than you can do elsewhere.  
Davis, Roper & Co.  
Our big store is jammed and packed full of new goods. Call and see them.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.  
Don't buy suspenders anywhere until you save our money. Save you 10 to 25 cents on your purchase.  
Davis, Roper & Co.

**NOT DOOMED FOR LIFE.**  
"I was treated for three years by good doctors," writes W. A. Greer, McConnellsville, O., "for Piles, and Florida, but, when all failed, Bucklen's Salve cured me in two weeks. I cured Burns, Bruises, Cuts, Corns, Sores, Eruptions, Salt Rheum, Piles or no pay. 25 cents at Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co."

**Ten Cents Cotton.**  
We are prepared to take care of a quantity of cotton on a storage and advance money on same. Now is the time to store your cotton for a profit. Don't sell too fast, or it will give you too quick.  
J. WADE ANDERSON,  
President and Manager.  
**A NEW LAW FIRM.**  
The undersigned have this day entered into a partnership for the practice of law in the Courts of this State, under the name of Simpson & Cooper and will promptly attend to all business entrusted to them.  
H. A. SIMPSON,  
R. A. COOPER.

Mr. N. B. Dial returned from Columbia Sunday.  
Mr. Adolph Shayer has returned from Columbia.  
Mrs. Dr. Phillips, of Clinton, has been visiting friends here.  
Judge Watts passed through the city Sunday on his way to Greenville, where Court opened Monday.  
Mitchell Hill, the little son of Mrs. Preston Hill, died at their home in this city last week and was buried at Chestnut Ridge church. The family have a great deal of sympathy in their bereavement.  
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**Sunday School Rally Day.**  
The Sunday School of the First Methodist Church will have Rally Day on next Sunday, beginning at 10 o'clock. Everybody who has ever been a member of the school is earnestly invited to attend. Visitors cordially invited.

**To Meet in Union.**  
The Woman's Missionary Union of Enoree Presbytery will meet in the First Presbyterian church of Union, S. C., on the 28th of October 1902. All delegates will be cordially entertained. It is expected that the railroads will give special rates.

**An 800 Pound Baby.**  
Probably the smallest of largest of her kind member of the herd of performing elephants with Gentry Bros. Famous Shows United. This fine pachyderm has been in this country but a few months yet his education is nearly completed. His part of the programme puts to shame his older and bigger companions, and on account of his size he is able to perform several acts which have not been attempted by elephant trainers before.

**DEATH OF MRS. LASSITER.**  
Beloved Young Woman Passes Away in Texas—Body Brought Here.  
Mrs. J. H. Lassiter, who was Miss Gena Shell, died at her home in Texas last Thursday and her body was brought here and interred in the City Cemetery Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. D. Pitts, conducting the funeral services.

**BIG FAIR IN CHARLOTTE.**  
Promises to be the Most Successful Ever Held in North Carolina.

What promises to be the biggest and most successful Agricultural Fair and Race Meet in the history of North Carolina, will be held in Charlotte on September 30th and October 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Everything will be on a big scale, in keeping with the reputation of the progressive city of Charlotte. The fair grounds, buildings and race track are well arranged and elegantly appointed and can be easily reached by a double electric car line which will land visitors at the gates. All the railroads will offer greatly reduced rates. The Fair Association will distribute a number of valuable and useful presents among excursionists and other visitors. On Tuesday, September 30th, a \$25.00 set of harness, donated by the Shaw Harness Company, will be given away. On Wednesday, October 1st, the present will be an elegant Gas Stove, donated by the J. O. Company. A \$75.00 organ from the store of the Andrews Furniture and Music Company, will be given away on Thursday. On Friday, the last day of the Fair, a standing high-grade buggy, the wholesale price of which is \$75.00, will be given away. The High Point Buggy Company will donate this valuable present.

**NOTICE.**  
The traveling representative of The Globe Tailoring Co., Louisville, Ky., will be at our store, Monday, September 16th with a full line of woolsens for the fall. We will be glad to have you call and see his samples.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.

**Card of Thanks.**  
ELTOR ADVERTISER:—Please allow me space in your paper to thank my friends in Laurens county for their kindness in retaining me to the office of County Superintendent of Education. I appreciate their endorsement, and will endeavor in the future as in the past to render faithful service.  
Very Respectfully,  
CHAS. F. BROOKS.

**Card of Thanks.**  
EDITOR ADVERTISER:—Please allow me space in your paper to thank my friends in Laurens County for the very flattering support given me in the Democratic primary election on Tuesday, September 23rd. I have endeavored for the last two years to honestly and faithfully represent the best interests of the whole people and their endorsement of my course is very gratifying to me.  
R. COOPER.  
Laurens, Sept. 1st, 1902.

**Notice to Magistrates.**  
Each and every Magistrate in Laurens county is hereby notified to have his books before the grand jury at the opening of court on the 20th Monday in October next.  
J. F. TOLBERT,  
Foreman Grand Jury.  
Sept. 8th, 1902.—St.

**Meeting Called.**  
We hereby request that the people in the neighborhood of J. N. Leak who are interested in public schools will meet at his residence, Saturday Sept. 13th, for the purpose of organizing the school and selecting a situation for a school building and electing a teacher for another term.  
J. N. LEAK,  
For Committee.

**Thanks His Friends.**  
EDITOR ADVERTISER, Sir:—To the ADVERTISER and its readers who gave their kind assistance in the contest for the Commercial College Scholarship I shall ever feel myself indebted both for the honor bestowed upon me and for the benefit I hope to reap at their hands. I hope none will be cause to regret his efforts in my behalf. I have begun my course of study with the branch of the Converse Commercial College which is now located in Laurens and am pleased with the instructions given by all the teachers. I shall strive to use the opportunity given me to the best of my mental ability.  
Many thanks to THE ADVERTISER and its readers.  
I am very respectfully,  
ELLWOOD DILLARD.

**Mass Meeting Called.**  
I am requested to call a Mass Meeting of the farmers of Laurens County to assemble in the Court House, Monday, September 15th. The business to be transacted is to take some action in regard to the cotton buying situation, there being but one cotton buyer, as a result of a combination of the cotton mills in the city of Laurens. Let everyone who can possibly do so, be present.  
All business men, bankers, lawyers, mechanics, merchants and all others interested are asked to be present and take part in the deliberations.  
R. DUNK BOYD,  
President County Alliance.

**GLENN SPRINGS WATER.**  
Best Remedy for Stomach Troubles.  
For sale by Laurens Drug Co., Palmetto Drug Co., Dr. E. P. Posey, W. W. Dodson and J. S. Bennett.  
Extra size in men's fine pants.  
J. E. Minter & Bro.

**IT WILL IMPROVE.**  
The Advertiser will be all  
Home Print Paper.  
The Change will be Made in Next  
Week's Paper—A Word to Cor-  
respondents.

Beginning next week THE ADVERTISER will be an all home print newspaper. Demand for advertising space has made this necessary. THE ADVERTISER will of course be improved—not merely by being all "home-print" but because it will print the news and more of it. Some all "home-print" papers that boast loudest contain local and county news, with exceeding little editorial, but THE ADVERTISER will continue to print the news of the State and the world.  
Moreover THE ADVERTISER will print a first rate continued story in weekly installments.  
THE ADVERTISER hopes hereafter that its correspondents will send the news promptly. Write the news briefly and without unnecessary words but write all the news. For example, it is better English to say that "Mr. Blank and Miss Monk were married Sunday" than that "Mr. Blank and Miss Monk were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Sunday" and the very same information is conveyed.

**YOU NEED THEM!  
WE MAKE THEM!**  
Picture Frames—All sizes and prices from  
25 cents up.  
The material (Moulding) comes in different styles, colors and prices. Bring in your pictures and you can learn beforehand just what they will cost ready to hang up.  
THE ADVERTISER hopes to give the people of Laurens a better newspaper than they ever had before and would be glad to have the co-operation of the of the county to this end.  
In a few days THE ADVERTISER will have an agent in the field who will be glad to have your subscription. His name will be announced next week.

**The Laurens Drug Co.**  
103 West Main St.  
Phone 75 Goods delivered.

**BROTHER BOB'S BAD LUCK.**  
Disfranchisement Without Color or  
Stripe Overtakes Him.

EDITOR ADVERTISER, SIR:—  
I don't like to express myself in the heat of passion, but under certain provocations a man can ill afford to wait till he gets cool to enter protest. I have been disfranchised without the color of the Ethiopian or the stripe of the convict. It may be reckoned a sad commentary on our political machinery to admit it but it crept upon us at last. We have heard much about the dangers of the innovations of politics for the last ten years, of how a pendulum being swung too far in one direction will by force of gravity inevitably swing too far to the other extreme sooner or later. But I had little thought of sleeping idly on the precipice of disfranchisement, only to be walloped so soon beneath its lashing waves. It's bad, it's terrible just to think of so many clever men, brilliant and sound, one would like to vote for, and so many more he would like ever so much to vote against and then all of a sudden wake up and find himself all disfranchised—a grown man, free and white, without the stigma of stripe or color, squarely set down on and deprived the privilege the constitution guarantees to every citizen of the commonwealth. Yet all this happens in this great, free, fourth-of-July country of ours—a country of the white, the brave and the free. Gentlemen, it's terrible! I had my ticket made out. I had given much thought to the preparation of it and much—I had like to have said much prayer, but I didn't. (By the way, I'm afraid our prayers along this line are too few, too short, too superficial and altogether unprofitable.) It might be interesting to take a hand primary over the county sometime to see how many voters actually pray earnestly and deep for wisdom in the dispensation of suffrage, especially of years when I happen to run. But this is a parenthesis.)  
No, I didn't lose over much training along this line, but will say that whatever of effort put forth by way of preliminary preparation was all snowed under on the 26th ult., when I was not allowed to cast my vote at the primary.  
"Aye!" says some smart Alick, "you should have enrolled five days before the election." Not that sir. Haven't I been voting at every election without enrolling? Don't the boys always see that the names of all known Democrats are on the roll? I have lived to see boys walk up to the polls whose names could not be found on the roll, and then half an hour later, after diligent re-search he would be notified that his name had been found. So you can call it what you please or count it as you please. I only say I didn't get to vote and feel mighty like a fellow who has been denied of casting his vote for men he wanted to elect and against men he ever-so-much wanted to defeat. It is only one voter to-be-sure, but the question suggests itself, "Where matters ending? Who next? I, you, gentlemen, on last Tuesday my blood boiled hot and there poured through my pores more sweat and hotter perspiration in one hour than ever came from me in so short a time in all my life. I was under the collar, over it and all about. It's terrible, I say to be disfranchised as I have been. May none of the readers of this epistle ever reach such humiliation. It was not a matter of enrollment at all; it was a matter of rollment. Just after leaving home for the election precinct I was stricken with a spell of renal Colic. Returning home I began to grunt and roll and when the Madam put me in a tub of hot water I got better but that is what made me so awful hot, and that is what made me sweat so, and that is how I was disfranchised. It's terrible.  
BROTHER BOB.

**Gentry Bros.' Famous Shows United.**  
The consolidating of Gentry Bros. Famous Trained Animal Shows, which have long been the most popular tented exhibitions in the world, makes an important union of excellent performances by combining what have heretofore traveled separately. The exhibition is fully twice its former size; in addition to the augmented professional displays, the performance this season requires double the space and time that it formerly did.  
This famous Shows united will exhibit here, Tuesday, September 16th at 2 P. M., on Depot Show Grounds. Admission, children 25 cents; adults 35 cents.

**Loans on Real Estate**  
For a series of years at 8 per cent, straight interest; negotiated. Basic, what land is assessed for taxation.—  
Call on—  
FERGUSON & FEATHERSTONE.  
**MONEY TO LOAN**  
On improved farms. Long time. Easy payments. Small cost. No commission. Apply to  
C. D. BARKSDALE, Atty.,  
Laurens, S. C.  
June 24th, 1902.—3m.

**Dr. Woolley's PAINLESS OPIUM AND Whiskey Cure**  
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**KNIGHT & BABB, Attorneys at Law.**  
Will practice in all the State and Federal Courts. Strict attention to all business entrusted to them.  
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No. 110 W. Main St.  
Special Attention Given Women and Children.  
Office hours in the city from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Phone—Residence No. 44; Office No. 89.

**OWINGSVILLE NEWS.**  
Health is very good at this writing except colds.  
Mrs. Eliza Miller of Waterloo, is visiting her daughter Mrs. J. A. Martin. Mr. Frank Odell of Atlanta, Ga., has been spending a while with his father J. N. Odell.  
Miss Mary Cooper spent last week at Waterloo with her sister Mrs. John Wrenn.  
Mr. W. D. Washington of your town is visiting in this section.  
Mr. C. J. Martin and wife visited at Mt. Olive last Sunday.  
Mr. L. S. Martin visited near Baldwin last week.  
Mr. John Washington and wife, of Greenwood, have been spending the Summer with his parents at this place. Pete.

**NOTICE**  
—OF—  
Special Election in School District, No. 2, Youngs Township.  
Whereas, a written petition of one-third of the free-holders of the age of twenty-one years, residing in school district, No. 2, Youngs township, Laurens county, has been filed with the county board of education of said county, asking that an annual tax of three mills be levied on and collected on property in said district to supplement the funds of said district. It is ordered—  
That the board of trustees of said school district shall hold an election at Youngs Store in said district on the 18th day of September, A. D., for the purpose of deciding if said tax shall be levied and collected.  
At said election only such electors as return real or personal property for taxation and who exhibit their tax receipts and registration certificates as required in general elections, shall be allowed to vote.  
At said election the said board of trustees shall act as managers and the election shall be conducted as provided by law for the conduct of general elections.  
At said election each elector favoring the proposed levy shall cast a ballot containing the word "Yes" written or printed thereon and each elector opposed to said levy shall cast a ballot containing the word "No" written or printed thereon.  
Within ten days after said election, if the majority of those voting shall vote for said levy, the said board of trustees shall furnish the county auditor with the statement of the amount levied.

**Notice.**  
We will let to the lowest responsible bidder the building of the approaches to the Iron Bridge, over Saloot river, at or near Boyd's old mill place, Wednesday, the 8th day of October 1902 at 11 o'clock A. M.  
J. S. DRUMMOND,  
Supervisor L. C.  
September 6th 1902.

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**Fashion's Center.**  
Our New Fall Goods are coming in every day. We have bought the largest and most complete stock of reliable merchandise we have ever carried.

**Clothing and Furnishing Department.**  
We can show you and elegant assortment of Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits from 50 cts to \$20.00.  
A splendid line of School Suits for \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.  
We picked up the biggest drive in Suspenders ever brought to Laurens. We can save you from 5 cents to 15 cents on every pair of Suspenders you buy. We advise merchants to see us especially in this line as we can and will save you Money.

**Shoe Department.**  
Fine Dress Shoes for Men and Women \$3.00 to \$5.00  
Medium Dress Shoes for Men and Women \$1.50 to \$2.50  
Stong, good wear Shoes for Men, Women and Children from 50c to \$2.00

This is the Cash Time of the Year

and we expect to sell more goods for the Cash than we have ever sold before. It is your duty to see our entire line before buying. Why? Because we have the largest Stock because buying in such large quantities we get on the inside and get bottom prices, because we are confident we can save you MONEY.

**Davis, Roper & Co.,**  
Head to Foots Outfitters for Men, Women and Children.

**Just a Word**  
and that word  
**RELIABILITY**  
is the foundation of the success and popularity of the famous  
**Bucks Stoves and Ranges.**  
People who buy them have the comfortable knowledge that they are all and more than is claimed for them. Let us sell you one this Fall!

**The Announcement**  
Of our Annual arrival of New Fall House Furnishings.  
Is always of the Greatest Importance to Housekeepers. This is the one place in Laurens where you will always find.  
**Furniture, Floor Coverings, Window Draperies, Queensware, etc., that are UP-TO-DATE.**

When you think Furniture Think of "WILKES."

**J. E. MINTER & BRO.'S FALL ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
We have just completed our work of preparation for the Fall Season and we wish to invite the public, one and all, to visit our store and see our immense stock. We have never before been able to offer the people such a complete line of  
**Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Furnishing Goods and Staple Dry Goods.**  
as we are showing to-day. Every shelf, nook and corner in our big store is jammed and packed full of good merchandise—the kind you want to buy. We do not handle shoddy goods, but everything you buy here is right and the price is the LOWEST. We are the Leaders! You save money by trading at Minter's Cheap Cash Store. Come to Laurens, look around as much as you please, but don't buy until you have seen our goods. Make our store headquarters where you will always receive a welcome.  
**J. E. MINTER & BRO.,**  
Leaders of Low Prices.

**Ladies Department.**  
In this line we have made special efforts and can assure the Ladies that they will find  
**Special Values**  
in Silks, Cotton and Wool Dress Goods. Flannels, Linens, White Goods, Handkerchiefs, Embroideries and Laces, Lace Curtains, Hosiery, Underwear, Sheets Pillow Cases, Quilts, Ladies' Furs, Coats, Suits Separate Skirts, etc.  
See our Ladies Ready-to-Wear Hats before you decide to BUY.

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How to Hide Over a Long Dull Summer! Does That Question Bother You?  
Suppose YOU inspect our Stock of **GROCERIES** Get OUR Prices on  
**Flour, Corn, MEAT and Supplies.**  
When You do, things will not look so blue. The situation will clear up. We are selling goods to meet it.  
**Our Undertaker's Stock is Complete.** We carry a well selected stock of everything from the cheapest Coffin to the best Metallic Cases; in cloth goods we carry the best—among them embossed white plush goods; also black, full draped in cloth. A First-class Hearse when wanted—we can furnish white or black horses when desired. At night or Sunday 'Phone R. P. Milam's residence or call on J. Mills Hunter or R. R. Jones at the Switzer House. Respectfully,  
**R. P. MILAM & CO.**

