

THE SOCIAL SIDE

OF LAURENS.

Mrs. L. G. Balle Gives Large Reception in Honor of Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Harris

Mrs. L. G. Balle was the hostess at a beautiful reception from four thirty until five thirty on Thursday afternoon, in honor of her daughters Mrs. A. P. Harris of Norwood N. C., and Mrs. Jefferson Evans of Roanoke, Virginia.

The guests, numbering about fifty, were received at the door by Miss Beattie Evans, the pretty little grand-daughter of the hostess and shown into rooms so lovely with violets, palms and ferns, filled with such exquisite music and pervaded with such an atmosphere of freshness and beauty that the commonplace world without was instantly forgotten.

In the parlor the receiving party consisted of Mrs. Balle, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Harris, a charming group, and there the guests were much disposed to linger, as the two young matrons, whom they had been invited to meet are extremely popular in this their old home, and always warmly welcomed back.

In the dining room the color scheme of violet and green was artistically carried out and refreshments daintily served with a view to pleasing the eye as well as the taste. Miss Lolla Wilkes, Miss Baulah Balle and Miss Roland welcomed the guests here. The menu was as follows: oyster patties, green peas, fruit salad, deviled eggs, pickles, crackers, coffee, bonbons and salted peanuts. Mrs. C. C. Featherstone and Miss Mayme Ferguson gracefully dispensed delicious punch.

Deaths in the County.

Mr. W. T. Boyd, familiarly known to all as "Dook" Boyd, died Saturday morning last at his home at Madden. Mr. Boyd was 72 years old and had been sick several weeks.

Mrs. Isabella Martin, an aged and estimable lady of the Gray Court section, died Friday night, April 1. She was the mother of Mr. A. W. Martin of this city.

Mrs. Kittie Fuller died at her home at Cross Hill on Monday morning after a short illness. Mrs. Fuller was the widow of the late John R. Fuller and the step-mother of Dr. Lawrence Fuller of this city. She leaves also several children, sons and daughters of her own, who have the sympathy of numbers of friends in their affliction.

A Wedding in Charleston.

Mr. Manson Greer of this city was married in Charleston at three o'clock on yesterday afternoon to Miss Rosalie Stewart.

The bride, who possesses a very charming personality, has visited repeatedly in Laurens and will be warmly welcomed as Mrs. Greer. Mr. Greer is a son of Mrs. Alice Greer of this city and the late Mr. John Greer and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

Hearts and Diamonds.

Remember that this popular play will be presented by a clever troupe from Laurens on Friday evening and that the play will be good, the prices low and the object for which it is given, the pipe organ fund, most worthy.

BEST COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN.

When you buy a cough medicine for small children you want one in which you can place implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves but cures. You want one that is unquestionably harmless. You want one that is pleasant to take. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all of these conditions. There is nothing so good for the coughs and colds incident to childhood. It is also a certain preventive and cure for croup, and there is no danger whatever from whooping cough when it is given. It has been used in many epidemics of that disease with perfect success. For sale by Laurens Drug Co.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

Small Fire Monday Morning.

At about a quarter of one Monday morning an alarm of fire was sounded and a small house in the rear of J. E. Minter & Bro's store, in which Walter Anderson, colored, ran a restaurant, was found to be on fire. The fire companies responded quickly and though Anderson lost his household goods and the house was gutted by the flames, the fire was out in a very few minutes. Capt. Minter, who owned the house, was fully covered by insurance.

TESTIMONY OF A MINISTER.

Rev. Jno. S. Cox, of Wake, Ark., writes, "For 12 years I suffered from Yellow Jaundice. I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief. Then I began the use of Electric Bitters and feel that I am now cured of a disease that had me in its grasp for twelve years." If you want a reliable medicine for Liver and Kidney trouble, stomach disorder or general debility, get Electric Bitters. It's guaranteed by Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co. Only 50 cents.

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For Sale.

227-Acre Farm, between Laurens and Clinton. First-class repairs. Known as the W. F. Bailey place. Max Zazek property on Harper street. Mrs. Mary Goggans' house and lot, rear public square. Nice house, good barn. All improvements first-class. Hon. R. A. Cooper's home, on Fleming street. Lots 25 and 26 Irby estate. Lots 19 and 21 Irby estate. Let me have good offers on the above. Better come early; are not going to hold them always. GEO. W. SHELL, Stocks, Bonds and Real Estate.

ESSENTIALS of THE AGREEABLE MAN

By Mrs. FRANK LESLIE

THE agreeable man must not be selfish, or at least he must by education and good breeding have learned so to DISGUISE that "original sin" common to every child of Adam that it shall not offend other people. As for eliminating it, I do not suppose that is ever done, and perhaps it would not be well if it could be, for if self preservation is the first law of nature a certain amount of selfishness is as NECESSARY to the protection of every man as claws are to a cat. The thing is to keep those same claws sheathed in a velvet paw. But an agreeable man must not make SELF his perpetual topic, especially in society or with mere acquaintances. There are, to be sure, occasions and companies when he can do nothing better than to talk of himself, but he must have that divine gift of tact to know WHEN those occasions present themselves. Between man and man I doubt if these occasions ever do present themselves or if a man is ever interested in getting an interior view of another man's character unless in the way of business or for legal investigation or some other practical result.

But a woman—that is to say, an intelligent woman—is generally keenly interested in studying the "TRUE INWARDNESS" of masculine human nature. She loves to point out the faults she discovers and to bestow much sage advice, exhortation and warning. She loves to exclaim in pretty wonder at modes of thought and action so different from her own, to argue which method is better and to ask explanations of what is contrary to her own experience. In fact, there are appropriate occasions when a man can establish himself as an agreeable man in no way so surely as BY TALKING ABOUT HIMSELF, but, as I said before, he has to know how and when.

But there is ONE topic perfectly safe for a man to choose if a woman is his sole auditor, and that is herself. It is an infallible rule for being agreeable—that is to say, of course, if he knows how to treat the topic. A STRANGER MUST NOT PLUNGE AT ONCE INTO PERSONALITIES unless, indeed, his auditor is one of those women with whom an inordinate love of flattery outruns self respect. Such women there are, to whom a man in the first half hour of their acquaintance may praise her face, her figure, her dancing or her clothes and meet with complacent acceptance.

THERE ARE OTHER WOMEN, HOWEVER, WHO WOULD MEET SUCH AUDACITY WITH FREEZING REBUKE, SO THAT A MAN HAS NEED TO BE VERY CAREFUL IN THE BEGINNING OF AN ACQUAINTANCE, ALTHOUGH HE MAY BE PRETTY SURE THAT IF HE KNOWS MY SWEET LADY DISDAIN LONG ENOUGH HE WILL COME TO THE SAME POINT IN THE END.

Spring Medicine

There is no other season when good medicine is so much needed as in the Spring.

The blood is impure, weak and impoverished—a condition indicated by pimples and other eruptions on the face and body, by deficient vitality, loss of appetite, lack of strength, and want of animation.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Make the blood pure, vigorous and rich, create appetite, give vitality, strength and animation, and cure all eruptions. Have the whole family begin to take them today. Hood's Sarsaparilla has been used in our family for some time, and always with good results. Last spring I was all run down and got a bottle of it, and as usual received great benefit. Miss BEulah Boyce, Stowe, Vt.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

"WANTED"

Every reader of THE ADVERTISER to know that Our New Discovery, the great Blood Purifier and Kidney and Liver Regulator, is sold under an absolute guarantee. You run no risk; no common remedy could stand a test like this. Our New Discovery is not an alcoholic stimulant which does good "only" for the time being, but it is nature's remedy, effecting a speedy and lasting cure by cleansing the blood from all impurities, which gives new life and vigor to every organ. It restores the nervous system to its normal condition and cures all blood diseases, such as itching skin, pimples, eczema, Blood Poison, and it is a positive cure for all Nervous troubles, indigestion and Dyspepsia, Heart Disease, Paralysis, Liver Complaint, La Grippe, Backache, Rheumatism, Dropsy, Kidney and Bladder Troubles, Fever and Ague and Female Diseases. Remember the name and take no other. Price \$1.00 and your dollar back if it fails. For sale by The Laurens Drug Co., Dr. W. W. Dodson, Laurens; Young's Pharmacy, Clinton; Dr. J. H. Miller, Cross Hill.

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For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

Ordinary household accidents have no terrors when there's a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the medicine chest. Heals burns, cuts, bruises, sprains. Instant relief.

ONE CENT A WORD.

FOR SALE—One registered Jersey cow, ten grade Jersey cows—all fresh in milk. For sale or exchange one registered Jersey bull, one year old. Will buy young cattle. W. P. HARRIS, R. F. D. Rapley, S. C. March 30th—2t.

Our New Mill Completed.

We have at last got our mill completed, and we risk nothing in saying that it is making the finest flour we have ever seen. We earnestly solicit every housekeeper of Laurens and vicinity to order a trial sack of the new "Clifton," promising them that they will have biscuit, rolls, cake and pastry such as they have never had before. Instruct your grocer to find you a sack of the new "Clifton." Bransford Mills.

You should not feel tired all the time—healthy people don't—you want if you take Hood's Sarsaparilla for a while.

Do You Need One? We have put on Sale for this week four grades in Sunshades. These were made a Special Order. Cloth and handles personally selected, having steel rods and paragon frames. The prices are 50c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. This eclipses all former values in Sunshades ever shown here. See them at W. G. WILSON & CO.

CONFIDENCE

All kinds of Suits for Men. All kinds of Suits for Youths. Value in every purchase.

Shoes for Men, Women and Children. Hats for all Mankind. Beautiful Neckwear. Big values in all Departments.

Business is based on confidence; Your business; Ours; Everybody's. There never was a time in the Dry Goods, Clothing, Furnishing, Shoes and Hat business when confidence was more important to you than now. You've simply got to pin your faith to somebody, and go ahead--or be left. We want to say just one thing: You can be sure you are right with Davis, Roper & Co.

HAND-TAILORED CLOTHING. Well-selected Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Etc. You can put entire confidence in them and know that you are safe. That's all. A quarter of century experience has taught us how to select the best goods for the least money. But we don't offer the low price as the chief argument. When the sterling value of our goods are fully known there will not be enough to go around. We solicit your Spring business in every line: Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Furnishing, Dry Goods, Millinery, Ready-to-wear Garments for Ladies, Notions, Etc. Because we know that you will be pleased with every purchase you make.

IN THE SPRING the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of CLOTHES. We have them in all the latest weaves, and all the latest cuts and styles. Don't forget to visit us and see our STYLISH SPRING SUITS hand-tailored by Schloss Bros. & Co. ("The Best Clothes Makers.") The Prices \$10.00 for High-class CLOTHING Start at \$1.00. Of course we have Clothing cheaper, \$3.50 to \$10.00 in all the Popular Weaves and well-made medium price Clothing. Our Boys and Childrens' are nobby and cheap for the price, 69 cents to \$5.00 for Knee Suits. Youths' Suits \$3.00 to \$10.00. Shoes, Shoes and Oxfords, We have the largest stock ever brought to Laurens all the latest Toes and Lasts, \$1.00 to \$5.00. PANAMA HATS, STAW HATS, NECKWEAR, NEGLIGENCE SHIRTS, UNDERWEAR, COLLARS, CUFFS. Drop in during the next few days and get acquainted with the best made, ready-to-wear garments—the Davis, Roper & Co. kind—in Spring Suits and Snappy Suitings, Hats, Shoes, Etc.

LADIES DEPARTMENT. In this Department we want to call the attention of the trade to our Special Values in SPRING DRESS GOODS, both in Wool and Cotton. We have the biggest and best assortment of Figured Lawns at 10cts that we have ever shown—about 150 styles and a great many of them are the regular 15cts quality. A beautiful assortment of COTTON VOILES, sheer and stylish. The most popular material for early Spring wear. Prices 15c, 20c and 25c. Plain and Dotted Silk Mulls, in all colors, for evening wear. Prices 25 cents. Pure Linen Suitings, in white and colors, at 50c. Special values in black Taffeta Silk at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. 36-in wide and values that can't be beat. We have a great line of black Voiles for skirts in the very newest weaves, from 50c to \$2.00. W. B. and Royal Worcester Corsets in all the newest styles. The best and most popular lines in America. We also want to call your attention to our lines of Kid Gloves at 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Everything new in Belts, Hosiery and Embroidered Collar Sets, Etc.

Milinery Department. This Season we have Miss Ingram in charge and she will take pleasure in showing you all the new things and we will guarantee our prices on the same goods to be as low as can be found anywhere. Come to see us and we will do our part to please you. Ladies' Hats from 25c to \$20.00. All Grades; all Prices. DAVIS, ROPER & CO., Outfitters for Everybody. Dress Goods, Silks, Wash Goods.